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## Charity match

A CHARITY football match at Darragh Park will kick-off on Friday, May 26 beginning at 7.45pm.

'Derg Valley Ambassadors Select', captained by Colin Robinson, will go head-to-head with the 'Irish League Select 11'. The highly entertaining fixture is in aid of Derg Valley Zambia Tour 2017.

Burgers available.

# Omagh school's mathematics revolution adds up to success

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A PRIMARY school in Omagh is leading the way in a revolutionary new approach to mathematics - by taking the pencil and copybook out of learning.

Pupils and teachers at Christ the King PS are engaging with a new classroom resource called 'Izak9', which is boosting maths performance by making numeracy more enjoyable through practical learning.

Year 6 teacher Gabriel Brogan says the interactive and multi-coloured cubes of Izak9 have made a significant improvement in what can be a challenging subject.

"Sometimes pupils associate maths as paper and pencil exercises and when they are using Izak9, they sometimes forget they are learning through maths, as they are captured by the resource," he said.

"Izak9 creates a fun element in numeracy - children are continually learning new concepts with it."

The teacher, who is a qualified 'Izak9 Superuser,' is helping teachers live up to Christ the King's mission statement of 'Be the best that you can be' - at least in mathematics.

Mr Brogan continued, "When pupils notice Izak9 being used in lessons, there is always a sense of anticipation and excitement at what they are going to learn."

"As a resource, it certainly helps increase positive attitudes to numeracy, as children always feel they are achieving from this unique, colourful and dynamic cube."

"Children are keen to promote their own



Year 6 teacher and Izak9 Superuser, Gabriel Brogan, pictured with Christ the King PS pupils Cormac McConnell, Maria Bartosik, Titas Varanavicius and Tori McMullin enjoying maths with the help of innovative learning resource Izak9.

strategies, as they know there are different ways to get the answer."

Christ the King was one of the first schools to embrace Izak9 as a teaching and learning device. Izak9 is an innovative learning resource which consists of 27 cubes - with dif-

ferent combinations of colour, number and shape. Developed in Northern Ireland, it is designed to stimulate mathematical thinking and interaction among pupils through task-setting and assistance from animated on-screen characters named Helix and Abacus.

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## Ernie's party raises over £2,000

Ernie Roxborough, Drumquin, who recently celebrated his 90th birthday, presents £2,040 to Joe Edgar, chairman of Marie Curie. Also pictured his Ernie's wife, Sylvia. They celebrated by having a party at the Post Inn, Drumquin, and the couple wish to thank, family friends and neighbours who attended the party and everyone who donated in lieu of presents and sent best wishes to Ernie.