Páistí ag canadh 'Sionna go Breá' le Christina Bennett

Nuachtlitir GDR

Mí na Samhna 2024

Coiste Bratach Gníomhaí/Active Schools'Flag Commitee (rang a 3)

Nuacht Scoile

Seachtain na hEolaíochta: Ghlac na ranganna go léir páirt i Seachtain na hEolaíochta an tseachtain seo caite ar scoil. Bhí an-spraoi ag gach duine leis na Naíonáin, Seomra Spraoi agus Seomra Sonas ag déanamh turgnaimh éagsúla ag baint úsáide as meascán d'ábhair. Bhí Rang a 4-6 ag tógáil miondhroichid le maidí líreacáin agus ag déanamh triail le balúin. Uaslódáladh grianghraif ar chuntas Instagram na scoile, Níl ann ach ceann de na hardáin a úsáidimid chun a chinntiú go mbíonn tuismitheoirí ar an eolas faoi na gníomhaíochtaí éagsúla a bhíonn ar siúl sa scoil gach seachtain.

Seachtain Frithbhulaíochta: I mbliana rinneamar seachtain fhrithbhulaíochta a mharcáil trí níos mó gníomhais cineálta a chur ar an gcrann Cineáltais a rinne rang a 6 don scoil ar fad.

School News

Science Week: The students in every class in GDR had fun carrying out a variety of experiments as part of Science Week. Seomra Spraoi and the infant classes were busy experimenting with mixing different materials together, as were the students in Seomra Sonas. Rang a 1 –3 investigated how light travels and Rang a 4-6 were constructing mini bridges with lollipop sticks and experimenting with balloons. Photos were uploaded onto the school Instagram account, please look us up if you haven't followed us yet. It is just one of the platforms that we use to ensure parents are kept up to date on the different activities that go on in school on a weekly basis.

Crann Cineáltais a rinne Rang a 6

Chuir Múinteoir Aisling tús leis an gClár '*Friends for Life*' le rg. a 4-6, beidh sé ar siúl go dtí téarma a dó. Beidh Múinteoirí Aisling agus Máire ag freastal ar oiliúint Oide 'Bí Cineálta' ar an 5ú Nollaig.

Spórt

Bratach na Scoileanna Gníomhacha

Rinne Coiste na Scoile Gníomhaí (rg.3) jab iontach ag eagrú *Dúshláin Sosanna Gníomhach* don scoil an tseachtain seo caite. Chuir siad cúig stáisiún éagsúla ar bun, gach ceann acu lena gceannairí féin chun maoirseacht a dhéanamh ar na dúshláin. D'éirigh thar barr leis agus fuaireamar aiseolas iontach ó na ranganna go léir.

Cispheil

Chuir rang a 4,5 & 6 foireann cailíní agus buachaillí isteach do chomórtas Marion Keane, a thosóidh i mí Feabhra. Beidh siad ag tosnú traenáil dó i mí Eanair.

FAI

Anti-Bullying Week: This year we marked Anti-bullying week by adding more kind deeds to *The Kindness Tree* that rang a 6 made for the whole school.

The students from all classes continue to add kind deeds that they witness or receive to the tree at the end of each week. Kindness certificates are presented to the children in assembly every Friday. Múinteoir Aisling started The *Friends for Life Programme* with rg. a 4-6, this will run into the second term of school. Múinteoirí Aisling and Máire will attend Oide training *'Bí Cineálta'* on the 5th of December. *Bí Cineálta* training focuses on Procedures to Prevent and Address Bullying Behaviour in Primary and Post-Primary Schools and is centred on a children's rights-based approach and provides a collective vision and clear roadmap for how the education community and society can work together to prevent and address bullying in our schools. Click on the QR code below to read more:

Sport

Active Schools Flag

The Active School committee (rg.3) did a wonderful job of organising *Active Break Challenges* for the whole school last week during break time.

They set up five different stations, each with its own leaders to oversee the challenges. It was a great success and we had great feedback from all involved.

Basketball

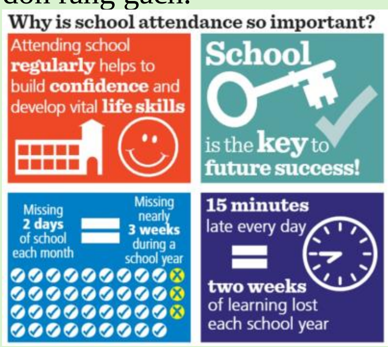
4 th,5th & 6 th class have entered a girls' and boys' team in for the Marion Keane tournament. The tournament will be held in February and training will begin in the new year to prepare for the competition.

FAI

Tá iarratas déanta againn chun pháirt a ghlacadh i gclár bunscoile 5 leis an FAI do scoileanna 2025. Beidh buachaillí agus cailíní rg.a 4-6 ag glacadh páirte i roinnt blitz sacair san athbhliain. Táimid ag súil go mór leis.

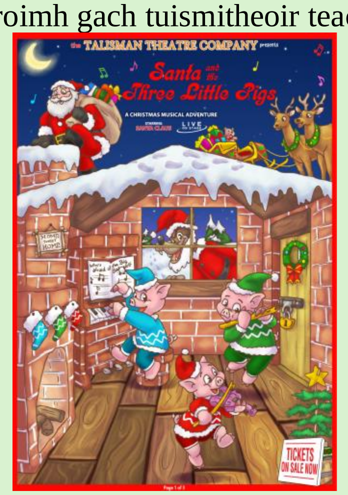
Laoch Tinrimh

In ionad Laoch Tinrimh an mhí seo chuireamar tionscnamh níos giorra ar siúl 'Strive for Five' a dhíríonn ar phoncúlacht a fheabhsú ar feadh cúig lá iomlán scoile. Míle buíochas le gach tuismitheoir a rinne an-iarracht a chinntiú go bhfuil a bpáistí in am don rang gach.



Eachtraí na Nollag

Táimid go léir ag foghlaim amhráin Nollag agus tá sé beartaithe againn dul síos go dtí an t-ionad Siopadóireachta ar an Aoine an 6ú/12 chun carúil na Nollag a chanadh in aice le Dunnes ag a 12 a chlog. Beidh na páistí go léir ag bualadh le Daidí na Nollag san ionad Siopadóireachta, táimid ag súil go mór leis. Tá fáilte roimh gach tuismitheoir teacht!



Tá cuireadh faighte ag cór na scoile chun canadh do sheandaoine i dTeach Altranais Carrigoran ar an Luan an 9ú lá. Tá cuireadh

We have applied to take part in the 2025 FAI schools primary 5-a-side programme which will see both boys and girls from 4th -6 th taking part in a number of soccer blitzes in the new year. We have some excellent soccer players on our team, and we are looking forward to competing.

Attendance Drive: Strive for 5

Instead of the attendance hero drive this month we ran a shorter initiative 'Strive for Five' which focuses on improving punctuality for five full days of school. Thank you to all parents that made the extra effort to ensure that their children are on time for class every Day this week.

Christmas Activities

We are learning and practicing Christmas carols in preparation for the holiday season. We have organized a Christmas Carol session in Shannon Town Centre on Friday the 6th of December outside Dunnes stores. Each class will visit Santa on the day while the other classes are singing. Parents are welcome to attend at 12 o'clock.

The infants, seomra sonas and rg. a 1-3 will attend a Christmas concert on Friday the 13th of December, consent forms have been sent home. Please arrange payment of €18 on Aladdin e-payment, thank you.

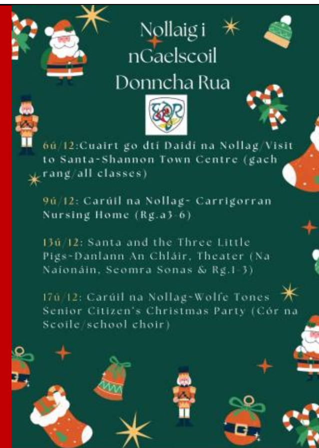
tugtha ag na Gardaí dúinn chun canadh ag cóisir Nollag Seanóirí na Sionainne ar an Mháirt an 17ú Nollaig. Táimid ag tnúth le roinnt beannachtaí na Nollag a scaipeadh ar fud an phobail!

Leabhar Nollag
Tá Súgradh & Siamsa ar fáil do gach rang ó naíonáin go rang a 6 ar chostas €4.50 an ceann, le híoc leis an múinteoir ranga nó trí epayments ar Aladdin, go raibh maith agat.

Nuacht Bord Bainistaíochta
Beidh cruinniú deiridh na bliana ag an mBord Bainistíochta Dé Máirt an 10ú Nollaig. Ba mhaith linn buíochas a ghabháil leo as a dtacaíocht le linn 2024.

Scoil Nua
Tá sé curtha in iúl ag an bhFoireann Dearaidh dúinn go bhfuil an phíleáil ar fad ag dul de réir an phlean agus tá 50% den obair críochnaithe acu go dtí seo. Beidh orthu claí na scoile á bhogadh ar an Aoine mar tá achar breise bóthair ag teastail ar an láthair tógála.

Nuacht Coiste na dTuismitheoirí
Míle buíochas do na tuismitheoirí ar fad a thug tacaíocht don Bhailiúchán Cash for Clobber ag tús mhí na Samhna, bhailigh muid éadaí luach €260.
Beidh Féilire 2025 réidh le ceannach sna seachtainí atá romhainn ar €10. Is féidir leat cóip a ordú roimh ré, seol téacs chuig fón póca na scoile ag 087-7831831. Beidh ghrianghraif de ghníomhaíochtaí éagsúla na scoile ar an bhféilire chomh maith le grianghraf de gach rang.



The school choir have been invited to sing for the elderly in Carrigorran Nursing Home on Monday the 9th of December. The Gardaí have also invited us to sing at The Shannon Senior Citizen's Christmas party on Tuesday the 17th of December. We are looking forward to spreading some Christmas cheer throughout the community!

Christmas annuals: Súgradh & Siamsa are available to purchase for all classes from infants to 6th class at a cost of €4.50 each to be paid to class teacher or via e-payments on Aladdin, thank you.

Bord of Management News
The Board of Management will have their final meeting of the year on Tuesday the 10th of December. We wish to thank them for their support throughout 2024.
We are now taking enrolments for September 2025, please send an application form in if you have a child due to start junior infants in September.

New school build

The Design Team have informed us that the piling is all going to plan and they have completed 50 percent of the work to date. They are going to have to move the school fence this Friday to allow for extra road area around the building site.

Parents' Association News

Míle buíochas do Niamh as an bhféilire a dhearadh agus do Eoin Madden ó Selprint as é a phriontáil.

Cuimhneachán Sóifia
Bhí cuimhneachán álainn ag Múinteoir Clodagh agus foireann Naíonra Déarcán Beaga do Sofia. Ba mhaith linn buíochas ó chroí a ghabháil le cairde Sóifia ón naíonra agus leis na dtuismitheoirí a d'fhreastail ar an ócáid. Míle buíochas freisin le páistí GDR agus daltaí Scoil Chuimsitheach Naomh Pádraig agus Mikey Wall a chan agus a sheinn go hálainn don searmanas/cuimhneachán plandála crann.

Dúnadh Scoile:
Críochnóidh an scoil do laethanta saoire na Nollag ar an Aoine an 20ú lá de mhí na Nollag ag 12 a chlog, ní bheidh club obair bhaile ar an lá seo. Osclóidh an scoil arís ar an Luan an 6ú Eanáir 2025.

Thank you to all the parents who supported our Cash for Clobber Collection at the beginning of November, we collected €260 worth of clothes.
The Calendar for 2025 will be ready to buy in the coming weeks for €10. You can pre-order a copy by texting the school mobile on 087-7831831. The calendar will have a variety of photos of various school activities as well as a photo of each class, which will be a lovely keepsake to have for years to come. Thank you to Niamh for designing the calendar and to Eoin Madden of Selprint for printing the final product.

Sofia's Memorial
Múinteoir Clodagh and the staff of Naíonra Déarcán Beaga held a beautiful memorial for one of their students that sadly passed away during the summer break. We wish to sincerely thank all of Sofia's friends from pre-school and their parents that attended on the day. Thank you also to the children of GDR and students of St.Patrick's Comprehensive school and Mikey Wall who all sang and played so beautifully for the Tree planting ceremony/ memorial.

Upcoming School Closure:
School will finish for the Christmas holidays on Friday the 20th of December at 12pm, there will be no homework club on this day. School will reopen on Monday the 6th of January 2025.