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Athbhliain fé mhaise daoibh go léir / Happy New Year!



GAELSCOIL DHROICHEAD NA BANNDAN

Clárú/Enrolment – Open Day

An Céadaoin 26ú Feabhra, 2020

Wednesday, (26/02/2020)

3:00pm – 4:00pm

Fáilte roimh chách

Guthán Scoile: 023-8843378

Lá Oscailte /Enrolment-Open Day

Beidh Lá Oscailte againn ar an 26ú lá de Feabhra ó 3 go 4i.n. Tá fáilte roimh thuismitheoirí go bhfuil suim acu a bpáistí a chlárú i nGaelscoil Dhroichead na Bannan. Críochnóidh na Naíonáin ar 1.in. agus críochnóidh na ranganna eile ar a 2:15 i.n. ar an lá sin.

We will be holding an Open Afternoon in the school on Wednesday, February 26th from 3-4pm. All parents/guardians of new and perspective pupils are invited to attend. **Junior and Senior Infants will finish at 1pm on this day while all other classes will finish at 2.15pm.**

*** HOMEWORK CLUB WILL NOT RUN ON THIS DAY**



Ag Clárú/Enrolment

Táimid ag clárú daltaí anois do 2020/2021. An bhféadfadh túistí atá ag iarraidh páistí a chlárú sa scoil sonraí a pháiste a chur chugainn isteach chuig an oifig.

We are taking enrolments for the academic year 2020/2021. Could any parents who already have children attending the school and who wish to enrol siblings please contact the office with their details.

Cúrsaí Airgid

*A thuismitheoirí, tá an **dara bhabhta** de Chúrsaí Airgid á bhailiú anois - €50 in aghaidh an pháiste nó €100 don chlann. Tá géarghá leis an airgead seo chun leanúint le gníomhaíochtaí seach-churaclaim.*

We are now collecting the **second instalment** of Cúrsaí Airgid. The amount is €50.00 per child with the maximum amount per family of €100.00. This financial contribution pays for extra-curricular activities for each child which takes place in the school. Money can be given to the class teacher by Friday, 14th February.

Please note any money sent into the school should be put in an envelope with the child's name, class and the purpose stated clearly.



Céad Fhaoistin/First Confession

*Beidh an Chéad Fhaoistin ar an **Deardaoin, 13/02/20.** Fáilte roimh thuistí agus roimh chaomhnóirí.*

*Beidh rang 2 ag glacadh a gCéad Chomaoineach ar an Satharn an **9ú, de mhí Bealtaine 2020** i séipéal Naomh Pádraig i nDroichead na Bannan.*

The First Confession will take place in the school hall on **Thursday, February 13th at 12.00.** Parents/Guardians are welcome to attend. Children from 2nd class will make their First Holy Communion on **Saturday, 9th May 2020** in St Patricks Church, Bandon.



Seachtain Chineáltais/Friendship Week (10th February-14th February)

Bhí Seachtain Chineáltais againn ón Luan an 10ú de mhí Feabhra go dtí an Aoine 14ú. Bhí páistí ó gach rang ag glacadh páirte i ngníomhaíochtaí difriúla a bhaineann le cairdeas. Buíochas leis an múinteoir ealaíne, Róisín, i gColáiste Naomh Brógáin a thabharfaidh faoi ealaín álainn agus le Múinteoir Jane a chum amhrán speisialta leis na ranganna difriúla don tseachtain.

Friendship week will take place throughout the school from 10/02/2019-14/02/2019. Pupils will take part in various friendship themed activities. This is part of the **Amber Flag** initiative promoting wellbeing, friendships and positive attitudes in the school. Pupils are invited to dress up on Friday, February 14th in Pink/red and contribute €2 per person proceeds to Pieta House.

Ióga/Yoga

Beidh ióga ag na ranganna go léir ar an Déardaoin an téarma seo.

Yoga has started on Thursdays for all classes and will continue for six weeks. Pupils are reminded to wear their tracksuits for Yoga class.



Leadóg/Tennis

Tosnóidh leadóg le Múinteoir Alan ar an 10/2/2020.

Tennis with Múinteoir Alan will start on Monday, 10th February for all classes and will continue for 6 weeks.

After School Classes – Leadóig Bhoird / Ficheall / Vex Robotics

- *Leanfaidh Leadóig Bhoird ar aghaidh go dtí deireadh mhí Eanáir le Múinteoir Con.*

Table Tennis will continue from January 14th and will **finish** on Tuesday, January 28th.

- *Beidh dhá fhoireann ag glacadh páirte i gcomórtas fichille ag deireadh na míosa. Ár mbuíochas le Múinteoir Áine a bhí i mbun traenála. Go néirí an t-ádh leo!*

Chess will continue on the following dates:

Monday 20th Jan (3-4pm), Thursday Jan 23rd (3-4:30pm), Monday 27th (3-4pm).

A chess tournament will take place in the Parkway Hotel, Dunmanway on Thursday, 30th January from 9:30a.m- 2.00pm.

- *De bharr gur chríochnaigh ár bhfoireann Vex Robotics sa Iú áit sa chraobh istigh i CIT an tseachtain seo beidh siad san iomaíocht arís i gCraobh na hÉireann ar an 12ú Feabhra. Mile buíochas le Múinteoir Mhaitiú a chuir tús leis an gclár sa scoil i mbliana.*

Due to the fact that our VEX Robotics team finished first in the annual VEX Robotics Schools Competition in CIT this week they will now go on to take part in the All-Ireland on the 12th of February. VEX Robotics will therefore continue for 3 more weeks in preparation for the final. Dates as follows: Jan 22nd, Jan 29th & Feb 5th from 3 to 4 pm. Guímid gach rath orthu.

Turas go PobalScoil Chionn tSáile

Fuair ár scoil cuireadh chun freastail ar cúrsa VEX Robotics i bPobalScoil Cionn tSáille le déanaí. Fuaireamar ana-chuid tacaíochta is comhairle uathu ar an lá agus sinn ag iarraidh ullmhú don chomórtas. Mile buíochas don Phobalscoil as lá den scoth a eagrú dúinn.

A special thanks to Pobalscoil Chionn tSáile for organising a workshop and information day for our VEX Robotics team recently.

Healthy Lunches / Lóin Sláintiúla

Mar scoil chothaithe sláinte déanaimid tréaniarracht béim speisialta a chur ar shláinte. Molaimid lóin shlaintiúla. Níl na hearraí seo ceadaithe: deochanna fizzy, criospaí, milséain, nó guma coganta. Tá cead rud deas amháin a thabhairt isteach ar an Aoine.

As a Health Promoting School we endeavour to give the school a special focus on health. We encourage healthy lunches. The following items are not allowed fizzy drinks, crisps, sweets and chewing gum. We would encourage children to include some fruit and vegetables in their lunch and to cut back on sugary treats. We recommend restricting sugars to perhaps one small fun-size treat on Friday.

An Bleaist Eolaíochta san RDS

Tá Múinteoir Sheosaimhín agus Rang a 4 gnóthach faoi láthair ag ullmhú tionscnamh i gcomhair an taispeántas eolaíochta a bheidh ar siúl thuas san RDS i mBaile Átha Cliath ar an 5ú lá de mhí an Mhárta.

Múinteoir Sheosaimhín and Rang a 4 are busily preparing their project for the Science Blast science exhibition in the RDS on the 5th March. Gach rath ar an obair a eolaithe!

Coirm Drámaíochta

An Leon Ocrach is ea an dráma a bheidh á chur ar stáitse ag Múinteoir Jane agus Rang a 3 mar chuid den Fhéile Drámaíochta Coirm le Gael Linn thíos i Mainistir Fhear Maí ar an 12ú lá de mhí Feabhra.

Rang a 3 and Múinteoir Jane will be performing An Leon Ocrach as part of Gael Linn's drama competition in Fermoy on the 12th of February.

START

Beidh Rang a 6 le cabhair ó Frances ag glacadh páirte sna trialacha eolaíochta START arís i mbliana. Tá súil againn tosnú air seo i mí an Mhárta.

Rang a 6 will be taking part in the START science trials competition again this year. We hope to begin our project in early March.

An Banna Ceoil

Beidh cleachtadh ag banna ceoil na scoile gach Aoine le Múinteoir Frances is Séamus ag 12:30 i.n. sa halla.

Practice for the Banna Ceoil will take place in the school hall every Friday at 12:30 with Múinteoir Frances agus Séamus.

Junior Entrepreneur Programme

Tá an clár fiontraíochta JEP tosnaithe ag Rang a 4. Beidh Rang a 4 an a gnóthnach i mbliana ag tabhairt faoi a gnó féin a bhunú. Beir bua Rang a 4.

Múinteoir Sheosaimhín is preparing Rang 4 for the Junior Entrepreneur programme in which they are tasked with creating their own enterprise.

Engineering in a box

Tá áthas orainn a fhógairt go bhfuil Rang a 5 ag glacadh páirte sa chlár Engineering in a Box a bhuíochas d'urraíocht ó Jacobs Engineering Cork. Is iad Donncha agus Katie an bheirt innealtóirí a bheidh ag teacht isteach ar bhonn seachtainiúil chun saghasanna difriúla innealtóireachta a mhúineadh don rang. Leanfaidh an clár iontach seo ó UCC ar aghaidh ar feadh 10 seachtaine.

Pupils from 5th class are currently taking part in the Engineering in a Box program. This will run for 10 weeks on Thursday from 1:30pm-3pm. Donncha and Katie from Jacobs Engineering Cork will be engaging in problem solving activities with the class through use of the many different types of engineering skills.



Beimid John ag díriú isteach ar iománaíocht as seo go ceann 5 seachtaine le Rang a 3, 4, 5 agus 6. Leanfaidh na Naíonáin suas go Rang a 2 leis an traenáil peile. Más mian leatsa do pháiste a chlárú le CLG Dhroichead na Bannan buail isteach chuig an gclub ar an gCéadaoin an 22ú lá d'Eanáir le bhur dtoil.

GAA training with John will recommence on Wednesdays for all classes. 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th class will be focusing on hurling for the next 5 weeks while the Naíonáin up to Rang a 2 will continue with football. If you would like to register your child with Bandon GAA please call to the clubhouse next Wednesday the 22nd of January from 6:45pm until 8.15pm.

Tráth na gCeist leis an gComhar Creidmheasa

Comhghairdeachas leis an ochtar páiste ó na hardranganna a bheidh ag glacadh páirte i dTráth na gCeist an Chomhair Chreidmheasa thíos i Sciobairín ar an Aoine an 31ú lá d'Eanáir ar 6.30i.n.

Congratulations to the 8 children selected to represent the school in the Credit Union's Annual Primary School Quiz which will take place in Skiberreen on Friday the 31st of January at 6:30pm.

Club Obair Bhaile/Homework Club

Beidh an club obair bhaile ar siúl ó Luan go Deardaoin ó 3 i.n. go 4 i.n. ag costas €10.00. Má theastaíonn ó pháiste lá amháin a dhéanamh tá costas €3.00 in aghaidh an lae. Tá an club ann do pháistí ó ranganna 2-6.

Homework Club takes place in the school from Monday-Thursday from 3pm-4pm at a cost of €10.00 per child per week. If a child would like to attend for one day the cost is €3 per day. The club is open to children from 2nd - 6th Class.

- Monday, 13th January – Thursday, 13th February 2020 (5 x Weeks)
- Monday, 24th February – Thursday, 2nd April 2020 (6 x Weeks)
- ***HOMEWORK CLUB WILL NOT RUN ON 26/02/2020***

Cork City Sports

The Cork City Sports date has been set for Friday, May 29th 2020.

Earraí Caillte / Lost Items

An cuma libh ainm do pháiste a chur ar chótaí agus ar gheansaithe le bhur dtoil.

Parents/Guardians are reminded to clearly label their child's school jumpers, coats, hats etc.

Literacy Lift Off Books

There a number of Literacy Lift off books missing from the school library. We would ask that parents/guardians of Rang 1 and Rang 3 check at home and return the following books if found.

- The Swimming Pool Project
 - Sam's Painting
 - Sophia's Big Wedding
- The Acrobat and other Poems
- Making a models Sports Stadium
- Space Technology in Space and on Earth
 - The Moon Festival

Athrú Sonraí Pearsanta /Change of Details

Dá bhféadfadh aon tuistí go bhfuil athruithe tar éis teacht ar shonraí maidir le huimhreacha teileafóin nó uimhreacha éigeandála é a chur in iúl don scoil, bheimis fíor-bhuíoch

Please inform the school of any changes in your contact information/emergency contacts/email addresses so we can keep our files up to date.



Dropping/Collecting of children

It is the responsibility of parents to ensure that children are collected **on time** each day. **Junior and Senior Infants finish at 2pm and all other classes finish at 3pm.** The school gates open at 9.00a.m. each morning. Please do not queue before the gates open at 9:00a.m. as this prevents others from using the road and greatly inconveniences other road users. When dropping/collecting children please **DO NOT PARK** in Bandon Montessori premises or block access to their business. Please inform all childminders, grandparents etc. of this.



Drochaimsir

I gcás go mbeidh drochaimsir is athruithe ar shocrúithe scoile dá bharr, rachaidh teachtaireacht amach chuig na tuismitheoirí tríd Aladdin. Ní mór daoibh a chinntiú go bhfuil na huimhreacha gutháin cuí againn chuige seo.

In the event of bad weather and changes to school arrangements, contact will be made via Aladdin. Please ensure that the phone number you have supplied is the number you wish us to use on the Aladdin system.

STEM: Science Engineering Technology Maths

Many companies organise STEM programs for primary schools through sponsorship, volunteering with in-class activity programs or supplying materials etc. If anyone knows of any company that coordinates these type of programs and might be able to assist, please contact the school principal.

Cumann na dTuistí/Parents Association News

Bhailigh Cumann na dTuistí €2,360 ag pacáil málaí roimh an Nollaig. Tá €1,500 den airgead seo tugtha don scoil le caitheamh ar fhearas Matal. Ba mhaith le foireann na scoile buíochas ó chroí a ghabháil libh as an ngaisce a deineadh. Beidh an chéad chruinniú eile ag Cumann na dTuistí ar an 13/02/2020. Fáilte roimh chách.

We would like to thank the Parents Association who collected €2,360 in total at the Christmas bag packing, €1,500 of which has generously been given to the school to be spent on Maths resources. We greatly appreciate your continued support.

The next Parents Association meeting will be held on Thursday, February 13th 2020 at 7:30p.m. Everybody Welcome.

Thanks very much to everyone who supported the recent fundraising events: Bag Pack, Christmas Cards and Raffle.

For those who couldn't attend the E-Safety training talk, copies of the "Parents Guide to a Better Internet" booklet that was given out can be downloaded from: www.webwise.ie/guides-parents

Suíomh Idirlín/School Website

Coimeád síil ar an suíomh idirlín ó na grianghrafanna, fógraí agus nuachtlitreacha is déanaí – www.gsbannan.ie

Please check our school website on www.gsbannan.ie for the latest photos, notices and newsletters.