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Coróinvíreas COVID-19

De bharr treoir ón Roinn beidh an scoil ag dúnadh inniu. Tuilleadh eolais le teacht amach anseo.

As per Government direction the school will close today until March 29th

The majority of the class textbooks have been sent home today in order to minimise the impact on teaching and learning. The school will be in contact via Aladdin in relation to work which can be undertaken at home over the school closure period. Meanwhile, we encourage the revision of the core subjects with a particular emphasis on literacy and numeracy.

Má thá do leanbh as láthair inniu is féidir teacht chun na scoile idir a 3 agus a 4 a chlog chun na leabhair a bhailiú .

If your child is absent today you may call to school to collect the books between 3 and 4 o'clock. Míle buíochas

A thuismitheoirí, táimid ag déanamh ár ndícheall ar scoil chun COVID-19 a choinneál ó dhoras. Is féidir leat cabhrú linn trí dea-chleachtais a chur i bhfeidhm sa bhaile.
Ná déan dearmad cleachtadh a dhéanamh ar na lámha a ghlanadh i gceart leis na páistí, agus cuir i gcuimhne dóibh uilleann a úsáid don chasacht/sraoth, muna bhfuil ciarsúr acu, agus gan lámha a chuir suas in aice a gcuid aghaidheanna. Féach ar shuíomh na scoile chun tuilleadh eolais a fháil i dtaobh conas cosc a chur ar leathnú an víreas.

Parents, we are doing our best in school to protect us all from COVID-19. Please help us by practicing good hygiene habits at home. Don't forget to practice the correct way to wash hands with your children, and remind them to use their elbow to cough/sneeze into, if they haven't got a hanky. Also, please remind them not to touch their faces. Please consult our action plan on the school website for further information on how to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Ag Parcáil/Parking

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.

Cúrsaí Airgid

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

A gentle reminder we are collecting the second instalment of Cursaí Airgid. The amount is €50.00 per child with the maximum amount per family of €100.00. The money collected from Cursaí Airgid pays for extra-curricular activities for each child which takes place in the school.

Cé go bhfuil na gníomhaíochtaí seo a leanas curtha ar athló faoi láthair beimid ag súil le cuid acu a chur ar siúl amach anseo.

While most of the following arrangements are likely to be postponed we hope to reschedule some for a later date.

Seachtain na Gaeilge 9ú -13ú Márta

I mbliana tá Seachtain na Gaeilge ar siúl ón 9ú -13ú Márta. Is deis iontach é dúinn go léir ár dteanga féin a cheiliúradh. Bhí imeachtaí difriúla ar siúl sa Ghaelscoil i rith na seachtaine ar nós an Céilí Mór, Tráth na gCeist, Díospóireacht, Comórtas Ealaíne bunaithe ar na seanfhocail, cuairt ó John Spillane srl.

This year Seachtain na Gaeilge will run from 9th - 13th March. Seachtain na Gaeilge is a wonderful opportunity for us here in the Gaelscoil to celebrate our native language and culture. It's always an eventful time in the school with activities such as the Céilí Mór, an Díospóireacht ranga and Tráth na gCeist. John Spillane will visit the school on Thursday,

19th March and perform a selection of songs through Irish. All classes will take part in a ceolchoirm.

Leath-scoláireachtaí Gaeltachta

Tá 4 leath-scoláireacht chuig cúrsa trí seachtaine i gColáiste na Mumhan i mBéal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh le buachaint ag páistí ó Rang a 5 is Rang a 6 arís i mbliana. Bronnfar na gradaim orthusan atá i ndiaidh sár-iarracht a dhéanamh i leith na Gaeilge le linn na bliana.

Four students from 5th and 6th class will be awarded half scholarships to a 3 week course in Coláiste na Mumhan Irish College this summer. The scholarships will be granted to those who have made an exceptional effort in speaking Gaeilge throughout the school year.

Laethanta Saoire an Cásca/Easter Holidays

Beidh an scoil ag dúnadh ar an Aoine an 3ú de mhí Aibrean ar 12:00 i.n. agus ag oscailt arís ar an Luan an 20ú de mhí Aibreán. Iarraimid ar dhaoine na Naíonáin Bheaga & Mhóra a bhailiú ar 11:45, chun cabhrú le cúrsaí tráchta i gclós na scoile.

The school will close for Easter holidays on Friday,3rd April at mid-day (12:00). To ease traffic congestion Junior & Senior Infants will finish at 11:45am. The school will re-open on Monday the 20th April.

Lá Spóirt na Cathrach / Cork City Sports

Beidh Lá Spóirt na Cathrach ar siúl i CIT ar an Aoine, an 29ú lá de Bhealtaine i mbliana. Réachtálfar trialacha ar scoil ar an 23/03/19.

Cork City Sports will take place on Friday, 29th of May in CIT. Trials will take place in school on March 23rd.

An Bleaist Eolaíochta / Science Blast

Comhghairdeachas le Rang a 4 a ghlac páirt sa Bhleaist Eolaíochta san RDS an Déardaoin seo caite. Is clár oideachais eolaíochta do bhunscoileanna é Bleaist eolaiochta ESB ina bhfiosraíonn an rang an eolaíocht a bhaineann le ceist shimplí. Cuirtear an obair ranga i láthair ag an ócáid. Sé an aidhm atá leis ná fiosracht na ndaltaí a mhúscailt sa domhan mórthimpeall orthu & é mar aidhm freisin fiosracht, co-oibriú, cruthaitheacht agus smaointeoireacht chriticiúil a chur chun cinn ionas go mbeidh sé ar a gcumas ag na páistí freagairt níos fearr do dhúshláin sa todhchaí. Dhein Rang a 4 tástáil ar na coinníollacha éagsúla a imríonn tionchar ar ráta fáis

Congratulations to Rang a 4 & Múinteoir Sheosaimhín who took part in the Science Blast last week. ESB Science Blast, delivered by the RDS, is a non-competitive programme for primary school classes that invites children to investigate the science behind a simple question that interests and excites them. The goal is to ignite children's innate curiosity about the world around them and aims to promote curiosity, collaboration, creativity and critical thinking in children at primary school age to enable them to better respond to the challenges of the future.

Cuairt na nUan is na Laonna

Beidh cuairt speisialta againn ónár dtréadlia áitiúil, Willie Buckley ó Riverview Veterinary Clinic, ar an Aoine an 20ú lá de Mhárta nuair a bheidh uain óga is laonna ag bualadh isteach chugainn. Labhróidh Willie mar gheall ar an am gnóthach seo den bhliain do na feirmeoirí.

Riverview Veterinary Clinic and the local vet (Willie Buckley) will speak to the children on Friday March 20th about Spring time on farms and taking care of new born lambs and calves.

Traenáil Peile – Rang a 4 go Rang a 6

Cuirfear tús le traenáil peile gach Céadaoin i ndiaidh scoile le Múinteoir Mhaitiú is Múinteoir Niocláis ag tosú ar an gCéadaoin an 18ú de Mhárta. Cuirfimid fáilte roimh éinne, buachaillí agus cailíní go bhfuil spéis acu ann, idir Rang a 4 go Rang a 6.

In preparation for the West Cork Sciath na Scol competition, football training will take place every Wednesday from 3pm to 4pm after school (weather permitting) from the 18th March with Múinteoir Mhaitiú agus Múinteoir Niocláis. Training is open to interested pupils, both boys and girls, from 4th class up to 6th class. Parents please ensure your child has a mouth guard, football boots and gear with them. All children to be collected from the school at 4pm.

Leabhar Leabharlainne / Library Books

A thuismitheoirí, tá an scoil i ndiaidh roinnt mhaith leabhar nua a cheannach do leabharlanna ranga na n-árdranganna le déanaí. Má tá leabhair mhaithe léitheoireachta agaibhse sa bhaile atá léite agaibh bheimis an-bhuíoch dá bhféadfadh sibh iad a thabhairt isteach. Míle buíochas.

The school has recently invested in new reading books for the school's class libraries. We would be grateful if anyone had **good quality books to donate** to our school library. We would kindly ask that the books be in good condition. Thank you.

Club Obair Bhaile

Cuirfear deireadh leis an gClub Obair Bhaile ar an Déardaoin an **2ú Aibreán**.

*Homework Club will finish for this school year on Thursday **April 2nd**.*

Club Códála

Cuirfear tús leis an gClub Códála ar an 22 d'Aibreán. Is Múinteoir Amy atá i bhfeighil ar an gclub. Beidh sé oscailte do leanaí ó Rang a 3 go Rang a 6 go bhfuil spéis acu ann. Costas €3 sa tseachtain.

Coding Club with Múinteoir Amy will begin on Wednesday April the 22nd. Múinteoir Amy will run the classes from between 3 to 4pm. Unfortunately, due to the limited number of places children with interest from 3rd to 6th class will be asked to write a short account of why they would like to take part. Costas €3 per week.

Tráth na gCeist Harry Potter

Maith sibh cailíní Rang a 4 a ghlac páirt i dTráth na gCeist Harry Potter i Halla an Bhaile le déanaí. Chríochnaigh Áine, Niamh, Stephanie agus Hannah sa dara áit.
Well done to the 4th class girls who finished second overall in the Bandon Harry Potter Society's Annual Quiz recently. Áine, Niamh, Stephanie and Hannah finished in 2nd place.

Easons Primary Schools Spelling Bee

Comhghairdeachas le Saoirse Ní Shé a bheidh ag glacadh páirte i gCraobh Litriú Easons ar an 22ú lá d'Aibreán.
Congratulations to Saoirse Ní Shé who will represent our school in the Spelling Bee Final which will take part in the Silversprings Hotel, Cork, on April 22nd. Go néirí go geal léi!

Turasanna Scoile/School Tours

• Naí Bheaga & Naí Mhora	Rumley's	June 11th
• Rang 1, Rang 2,	Let's Go	June 12th
• Rang 3 & Rang 4	West Cork Secret	June 15th
• Rang 5 & Rang 6	The Lagoon	June 16th

Athrú Sonraí Pearsanta /Change of Details

Dá bhféadfadh aon tuistí go bhfuil athraithe 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.

Aifreann Rang a 6 Dheireadh na Bliana

Beidh Aifreann Rang a 6 ar siúl ar an Déardaoin an 18ú lá de mhí an Mheitheamh ar a 7 a chlog i halla na scoile.

Sixth class' end of year mass will take place in the school hall on Thursday evening ***June 18th*** *at 7pm.*

Turas Lae go dtí an Ghaeltacht

Rachaidh Múinteoir Mhaitiú is Rang a 6 go dtí Gúgán Barra i nGaeltacht Mhúscraí ar an Aoine an **19ú Meitheamh**. Rachaidh siad ag cadhcáil ar Loch Allua, ag treodóireacht i nGúgan Barra is beidh ceacht Gaeilge is staire á fháil acu ó staraí áitiúil mar gheall ar shaol Naomh Fhionnbarra.

Múinteoir Mhaitiú and 6th Class will go on a day trip to Gúgan Barra in the Muskerry Gaeltacht on Friday the ***19th of June****. As part of the day's activities the class will go kayaking on Loch Allua, orienteering in Gúgan Barra and they will enjoy an Irish and History lesson on the life of Naomh Fhionbarra from a local historian. Full details and cost of trip to follow*

Suíomh Idirlín/School Website

Coimeád súil ar an suíomh idirlín dó na grianghrafanna, fógraí agus nuachtlitreacha is déanaí – www.gsbanndan.ie *Please check our school website on www.gsbanndan.ie for the latest photos, notices and newsletters.*

An Chéad Chomaoineach / First Holy Communion 9/5/20

Beidh páistí ó Ranganna 3-6 ag canadh sa chór don Chéad Chomaoineach ar an Satharn 9ú lá Bealtaine ar 10.30r.n.

We would appreciate if all pupils from Ranganna 3-6 could be present to sing in the choir on the day. Children should arrive at the Church by ***10.15am*** *in their full school uniform. Parents can collect their children from the church after the ceremony at 11.20am.*

As with previous years it is important for the other classes who are not receiving the sacrament to assist with the choir on the day. This will further ensure that a school choir will be present on the day your child receives their sacrament.

*Please sign below if for any reason your child **CANNOT** be present at the Communion Ceremony. We thank you in advance for supporting the children of Rang 2 on this special day.*

My Child is **unable** to attend the First Communion Ceremony on Saturday, May 9th in the Parish Church.

Ainm an pháiste : _____

Síniú: _____

Aonach Leabhair/Book Fair

Beidh an comhlacht leabhair 'Tara Book Company' ag teacht chuig an scoil níos déanaí sa bhliain anois de bharr nach raibh an chomhlacht in ann taisteal chugainne.

The Tara Book Company will visit the Gaelscoil at a later date during the year.

HSE Vaccinations

Beidh vacsaíniú ar fail do dháltaí Naíonáin Bheaga ar**, an 21ú lá de mhí Aibrean** ó 9.30r.n. – 1:30i.n.

*The Junior Infants HSE vaccinations will take place in the school on **Tuesday, 21st** April from 9:30-1:30pm. Children from Junior Infants are asked to wear their tracksuit on this day.*

Food Dudes

Food Dudes week will be held in the school from Monday April 27th – Friday, May 1st. A selection of fruit and vegetables will be distributed to the pupils daily.

Echo – Kidz-ZONE

Dhein páistí na scoile sár-jab le KidzZone, Evening Echo. Maith sibh a pháistí!

Well done to everyone who took part in the Echo Kidz-zone pages recently. I'm sure you'll agree our pupils did the school proud in highlighting what our school has to offer. Mo cheol sibh!

Coiste na dTuismitheoirí/Parent's Association

Tonight's Parent's Association meeting has been cancelled as a precaution due to the Coronavirus. A decision will be taken in relation to upcoming fundraising events such as the annual Table Quiz and Golf Classic at a later date. The Anti-Bullying Talk for March 19th has now been cancelled also. Míle buíochas

An Chéad Chomaoineach/Holy Communion

Hello Parents! We need your help in preparing for this year's Communion Refreshments (Saturday, 9th of May 2020). *The following are requested from the classes below. Items can be dropped to the school hall on Friday 3rd May or Saturday morning 9th May. Thanking you all in advance.*

- □ RANGANNA NAÍONÁN — Home-baking
- □ RANG 1 — Sandwiches
- □ RANG 3 — Home-Baking
- □ RANG 4 — Home Baking
- □ RANG 5 & 6 — Home Baking

Buíochas as ucht na tacaiochta ar fad. Gach rath oraibh agus beimid ag suil le filleadh ar ghnath chúrsaí scoile go luath.
Thank you for your support and co-operation. We look forward to seeing you all when the school re-opens.