



25ú Samhain 2021



## **Bearta Sábháilteachta agus Cosanta / Safety and Control Measures**

The BOM, school leadership and staff are conscious of the paramount need to keep all pupils and staff safe while in the school. The school is a controlled environment. There are control measures in place to combat the introduction or spread of COVID-19. These are based on:

- Physical Distancing
- Hand Hygiene
- Respiratory and Hygiene Etiquette
- Mask Wearing, where necessary

It is of paramount importance that parents wear face masks and/or maintain the social distance to ensure the health and safety of all during drop off and collection times in the school yard.

As we are trying to minimise the number of external visitors to the school, we ask that parents or guardians email or phone ahead should you have to collect your child early and wait outside the main school door. We would ask that any forgotten items, for example lunch boxes, drinks etc. be deposited in the plastic storage box outside the main reception door.

Covid 19 is still in the community we ask that you monitor your children and if you notice any symptoms please take the necessary precautions to reduce the risk of the virus spreading.

Please also note that if any member of your household is symptomatic and is awaiting test results then you must not send your child to school.



### **Way2 Pay**

*Le meabhrú daoibh gur féidir libh aon táillí nach bhfuil íoctha go fóilleach a dhéanamh ar Way2Pay anois.*  
A gentle reminder – A small amount of money is still outstanding. We would appreciate if payment could be made as soon as possible via the Way2Pay link.



### **Folens Christmas Annuals**

*Tá bhliainiris na Nollag ordaithe againn. Más mian leat é a fháil dod' pháiste is féidir leat íoc as ar Way2Pay. Seolfar an nasc amach chugaibh go luath. Beidh praghas €4 ar gach páiste. Tabharfar amach na hirisleabhair ag tús mhí na Nollag.*

In order to secure Christmas Annuals the school have ordered an Annual for each pupil. The price of the annual is €4 per child. Please note you are not obliged to get the annual. Payment can be made via Way2 Pay. A link will be sent shortly. Annuals will be given out the first week of December.



### **Taispeántas na Nollag / Christmas Show**

*Beidh gach rang ag glacadh páirte i dTaispeántas na Nollag, ina mbeidh taispeántas beag á dhéanamh acu. Beidh sé ar siúl ar an **14ú de mhí na Nollag**. Beidh na múinteoirí ag insint do na ranganna faoi na feistis go luath. Beidh an Seó ina iomlán ar fáil le ceannach ar DVD ar costas €10. Seolfar nasc ar Way2Pay chuig gach tuismitheoir agus beidh an rogha acu é a cheannach ansin más mian leo.*

The children have been busy preparing for their individual class Christmas performances which will take place in the school on **Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> December**. Teachers will be informing their classes in relation to costumes required for the show shortly. This performance will be recorded for all parents and will be available to buy on DVD at a cost of €10. A link for Way2Pay will be sent to all families shortly. If you wish to purchase the DVD please click on the link before the 10<sup>th</sup> of December.



### **Ag Clarú/Enrolment 2022/ 2023**

*Bheimís buíoch dá bhféadfadh aon tuismitheoir le páistí sa scoil acu cheana féin agus atá ag iarraidh páistí eile a chlárú sa scoil sonraí a pháiste a thabhairt isteach chuig an oifig.*

Could any parents who already have children attending the school and who wish to enrol siblings for the 2022/2023 school year please phone/email the school with their details.



## **Aladdin Connect**

*Go raibh maith agaibh as an aip a íoslódáil. Seoltar an obair bhaile amach air gach aon lá chomh maith le huasdhátaí. Tá sé tábhachtach é a íoslódáil muna bhfuil sé déanta agat go fóill.*

Thank you to everyone for downloading the Aladdin Connect App. Your child's homework is posted daily on the app along with any other important updates. It is essential that each parent downloads this app to keep informed of any updates



## **Cótaí i gcomhair Laethanta Fliucha / Raincoats for the Yard**

Ar mhiste libh a chinntiú go bhfuil cóta ag do pháiste ag teacht ar scoil. Tá athrú mór tagtha ar an aimsir agus bíonn cóta maith ag teastáil ar an gclós.

Please ensure your child has a rain coat/jacket each day for am sosa in the yard.



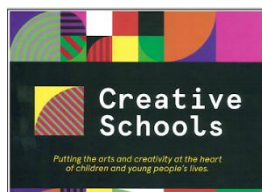
## **Seachtain Itheacháin Sláintiúil / Food Dudes Week**

*Beidh gach rang sa scoil páirteach i gClár Itheacháin Sláintiúil Ghaiscígh an Bhia nó Food Dudes arís i mbliana. Cuirfear tús leis ar an Luan beag seo, an 29ú, agus leanfaidh sé don tseachtain. Tá sé mar aidhm ag an gclár páistí a spreagadh chun níos mó torthaí agus glasraí a ithe. Spreagfar na páistí chun torthaí agus glasraí éagsúla a thabhairt leo ón mbaile agus iad a ithe ar scoil mar chuid dá lón scoile. Tabhraigí cuairt ar [www.fooddudes.ie](http://www.fooddudes.ie) le haghaidh a thuilleadh eolais.*

Next week our school will participate in Food Dudes Week from Monday November 29<sup>th</sup> – Friday December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Food Dudes is a programme designed to encourage children to eat more fruit and vegetables both in school and at home. It is based on positive role models (the food dude characters), repeated tasting and rewards.

We hope the children enjoy the experience of tasting different varieties of fruit and vegetables.



## Scoileanna Ildánacha/Creative Schools

*Is cúis áthais dúinn go bhfuil ár scoil roghnaithe chun páirt a ghlacadh sa tionscnamh Scoileanna Ildánacha. Táimid ag súil go mór le tús a chur leis sna míonna atá amach romhainn agus deis a thabhairt do na ranganna a gcuid cruthaitheachta a léiriú i slite éagsúla.*

Our school was successful in being awarded a place on the Creative Schools for academic years 2021/2022/ and 2022/2023. This initiative supports schools to put the arts and creativity at the heart of children's and young people's lives. This initiative provides opportunities for children and young people to build their artistic and creative skills; to communicate, collaborate, stimulate their imaginations, be inventive, and to harness their curiosity. It will empower children and young people to develop, implement and evaluate arts and creative activity throughout their schools/centres and stimulate additional ways of working that reinforce the impact of creativity on children and young people's learning, development and well-being.



## Ceardlann Scríbhneoireachta Roinnte / Shared Writing Workshop

*Bhain Rang a 4 an-spórt as an gceardlann scríbhneoireachta roinnte a rinne siad le Fighting Words an tseachtain seo. Scríobh siad scéal iontach dar teideal Jeremiah's Christmas Adventure le cabhair ón bhfoireann Fighting Words i gCorcaigh. Maith sibh Rang a Ceathair!*

Rang a 4 really enjoyed their shared writing workshop with Fighting Words Cork this week. They collectively wrote a fantastic story entitled Jeremiah's Christmas Adventure as part of the workshop. Well done Rang a Ceathair!

## BLAST 2021 –Bringing Live Arts to Students and Teachers

*Beidh ár scoil ag glacadh páirte sa tionscnamh BLAST i mbliana. Faoin scéim seo, beidh deis ag na páistí oibriú le healaíontóirí proifisiúnta ar thionscadail difriúla le linn na bliana, faoi stiúir Ionad Oideachais Iarthar Chorcaí.*

Our school will take part in the Blast initiative. This is a new project which was launched by the Minister for Education on June 4<sup>th</sup>. The aim of this scheme is to give more pupils in schools the opportunity to work with a professional artist on unique projects to be originated and planned between the artist, the teacher and the school under the coordination of the West Cork Education Centre.



### **Boscaí Bróg na Nollag / Shoebox Collection Team Hope**

*Rinne gach rang sa scoil iarracht iontach i mbliana le boscaí bróg na Nollag. Ba mhaith linn buíochas a ghabháil le gach éinne thar ceann na carthanachta. Bailíodh os cionn 78 bosca bróg an tseachtain seo caite.*

Go raibh céad míle maith agaibh to everyone who took part in the Shoebox Appeal this year. 78 boxes in total were donated. All boxes collected are distributed to Africa and Eastern Europe.

### **Suíomh Idirlín/School Website**

*Coimeád suas chun dáta le himeachtaí na scoile ar ár suíomh idirlín: [www.gsbannndan.ie](http://www.gsbannndan.ie)*  
Please check our school website on [www.gsbannndan.ie](http://www.gsbannndan.ie) for new photos and information.

## **Parents Association**

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*Tá siúlóid urraithe 10km eagraithe ag Cumann na dTuismitheoirí idir an 1ú lá de Nollaig agus an 10ú lá. Seolfaidh na múinteoirí ranga na foirmeacha urraíochta timpeall go luath. Is féidir libh airged a thiomsú tríd an leathanach gofundme. Míle buíochas.*

*The Parents' Association are organising a 10km Santa Dash Walk from December 1<sup>st</sup> to the 10<sup>th</sup>. Sponsorship forms will be given out shortly by the class teacher. Any donations can be made via the gofundme page and all funds received will go towards the Gaelscoil Parents Association.*