



23ú Feabhra 2023



Dátaí na Sacraimintí/Dates for Confirmation/First Holy Communion

- Is ar an 31ú lá Márta a bheidh **Cóineartú** Rang a 5 agus Rang 6 ar siúl i Séipéal Naomh Pádraig ar a 10:30rn. *Rang a 5 and rang a 6 will receive their Confirmation in St. Patrick's Church at 10:30am on the 31st of March.*
- Beidh an **Chéad Chomaoineach** ar siúl ar an Satharn an 6ú lá de Bhealtaine ar a 10:30r.n *Rang a 2 will receive their First Holy Communion in St. Patrick's Church at 10:30am on the 6th of May.*



Seachtain na Gaeilge 1ú -17ú Márta

I mbliana tá Seachtain na Gaeilge ar siúl ón 1ú -17ú 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, Ceolchoirm le John Spillane agus Díolachán Cístí ar an Lá Glas mar cheiliúradh ar Lá 'le Pádraig.

Seachtain na Gaeilge will be celebrated from 1st - 17th March. Seachtain na Gaeilge is a wonderful opportunity for us here in the Gaelscoil to celebrate our native language and culture. It is an eventful time in the school with lots of activities including our 6th class cake sale. We are delighted John Spillane Irish musician will visit the school on 8th March to perform a selection of songs through Irish. All classes will take part in the ceolchoirm. As part of the celebrations and to celebrate St Patrick's Day children are invited to dress up as a famous Irish person on Thursday the 16th of March.



Íocaíochtaí/Payments

Beidh córas íocaíochta ar líne in úsáid againn i mbliana. Clúdaíonn sé seo ábhair ealaíne, fóta chóipeáil, árachas agus gníomhaíochtaí seach-churaclaim. Beimid i dteagmháil go luath le sonraí an chórais nua.

School activity payments will be available on Way 2 Pay shortly. These payments cover Tennis, Zumba, Gymnastics, Feis Maitiú preparation and workshops. You will receive a link for payment.



Feis Maitiú

Beidh páistí Naíonáin Mhóra, Rang a 1 agus Rang a 2 ag glacadh páirte san Fheis Maitiú i gCorcaigh go luath. Iarrfaimid ar na páistí an **éide scoile** a chaitheamh ar an lá.

On the 14th, 15th & 30th March Pupils from Naíonáin Mhóra, Rang a 1 and Rang a 2 will perform for the Feis Maitiú adjudicators in Cork.

- Rang 1 – March 14th at 10:30am
- Rang 2 – March 15th at 11:30am
- Naíonain Mhora March 30th at 11:30am

*Children will be transported to the venue by bus. Pupils are asked to contribute €10pp to defray travel costs. Payment can be made via Way2 Pay. A link will be sent shortly. We ask that children in these classes wear their **full school uniform** on the day.*

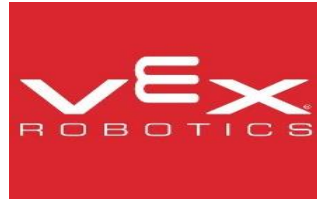


Ficheall / Chess

Comhghairdeachas leis na buachaillí agus cailíní a ghlac páirt sa chomórtas fichille an tseachtain seo caite sa halla CLG anseo i nDroichead na Banndan. D'éirigh go hiontach leo agus bhain siad an-taitneamh as an lá.

Congratulations to all the pupils who represented Gaelscoil Dhroichead na Banndan at the recent *Ficheall.ie* chess competition. All players showed great skill and enthusiasm. A great

day was had by all. A special thank you to Múinteoir Ken & Oisín who helped prepare the pupils for the event.



Vex Robotics

Comhghairdeachas ó chroí le Múinteoir Maitiú agus cailíní is buachaillí Rang a Sé a ghlac páirt sa chomórtas Vex Robotics inné i bPáirc Uí Chaoimh.

Well done to Rang 6 and Muinteoir Maitiú who took part in the All-Ireland Vex Robotics competition yesterday in Páirc Uí Chaoimh.



Lá Spóirt na Cathrach / Cork City Sports

Beidh Lá Spóirt na Cathrach ar siúl istigh i MTU an 1ú lá de Mheitheamh i mbliana. Réachtálfar trialacha ar scoil ar an Máirt an 28ú de Mhárta.

Cork City Sports will take place on June 1st in MTU. Trials will take place during school time on Tuesday the 28th of March.



An Bleaist Eolaíochta / Science Blast

Is iad Rang a 5 a bheidh ag glacadh páirte sa Bhleaist Eolaíochta. An cheist eolaíochta atá roghnaithe acu le fiosrú i mbliana ná cén éifeacht atá ag dath ar do mhothúcháin.

Rang a 5 will take part in the Science Blast. The scientific question they are investigating is the effect of colour in a classroom and how it affects your mood.



Ionad Oidhreachta Iarthar Chorcaí / Visit to the West Cork Heritage Centre

Beidh turas á thabhairt ag Rang a 3 agus Rang a 4 ar Ionad Oidhreachta Iarthar Chorcaí ar an 1ú lá de Mhárta. Iarrtar ar na páistí €2 a thabhairt leo le dul isteach.

Children from 3rd and 4th will visit West Cork Heritage Centre Bandon on March 1st. Children will walk to the centre and return before normal school time. Pupils from Rang 3 and Rang 4 are asked to contribute €2 to the West Cork Heritage Centre.



Zumba

Cuirfear tús le ceachtanna Zumba le Múinteoir Flav an tseachtain seo ar an Déardaoin, an 23ú Feabhra.

Zumba with Múinteoir Flav will begin for all classes on Thursday February 23rd.



An Brat Glas / The Green Flag

Comhghairdeachas le Múinteoir Mhaitiú agus an Coiste Glas a bhain amach ár gceathrú Brat Glas an tseachtain seo. Bhí an cigire an-tógtha leis na smaointí a bhí acu. Taisteal is ea téama na bliana seo agus is é mana an choiste 'Fág an gluaisteán, úsáid an cosán.'

Congratulations to Múinteoir Mhaitiú and the Green Flag Committee who recently achieved our fourth green flag. This year's theme is travel with our school motto being 'Fág an gluaisteán, úsáid an cosán.'



Cuairt na nUan & na Laonna/ Clonakilty Agricultural College visit

Anois le teacht an earraigh beidh páistí Rang a 3 agus Rang a 4 ag tabhairt aghaidh ar Choláiste Talmhaíochta Chloch na gCoillte chun blaiseadh beag a fháil de shaol an fheirmeora ag an am fíor-ghnóthach seo.

Spring time is a busy time on farms. Children from Rang 3 and Rang 4 will get a sample of farm life with a visit to Clonakilty Agricultural College on March 8th. Children will be transported by bus and will return again before school time. Pupils are asked to contribute €7 each for the bus. Children are asked to wear their school tracksuit on this day. Payment can be made via way2pay a link will be sent shortly.



Spelling Bee

Go néirí go geal le Laura i Rang a 6 a bheidh ag glacadh páirte san Easons Spelling Bee i gCorcaigh ar an 22ú de Mhárta. Guímid gach rath uirthi!

Best of Luck to Laura in Rang 6 who will represent the school at the upcoming Spelling Bee Competition in Cork on March 22nd.



Lá Domhanda na Leabhar / World Book Day

I mbliana mar chuid de Lá Domhanda na Leabhar bá bhréa linn go ngléasfadh na páistí suas mar charachtar ón leabhar is fear leo. Beidh duais don feistis is fearr i ngach seomra.

This year *World Book Day* will take place on Thursday, March 2nd. To celebrate this day, each pupil is asked to dress up as a character from their favourite book.



An Mála Lóin / The Lunch Bag

Tá an seirbhís seachadta lóin The Lunch Bag ar fáil sa scoil anois. Ní gá ach an aip a íoslódáil agus lón a chur in áirithe an lá roimhré. Le haghaidh a thuilleadh eolais téir chuig www.thelunchbag.ie

The Lunch Bag lunch delivery service is now available in the school. Please ensure you order your child's lunch before 12noon for the following day. For further information visit www.thelunchbag.ie



Díolachán Cístí / Cake Sale

*Beidh díolachán cístí á reachtáil ag Rang a 6 ar an **16ú de Mhárta** mar chuid de Chlár Fiontraíochta na nÓg. Bheimis an-bhuíoch dá bhféadfadh sibh cístí, bunóga, toirtíní, pióga nó arán donn a thabhairt isteach ar an lá. Beidh deis ag gach rang teacht anuas go dtí an halla chun cístí deasa a cheannach.*

Pupils from 6th class will be holding a Cake sale on **Thursday, 16th of March**. We would be extremely grateful if all parents could support their efforts by donating home-made cakes, buns, tarts, sponges & brown bread on Wednesday morning. Funds raised on the day will fund necessary equipment for Vex Robotics.

Each class will be given an opportunity to attend the Sale in order to purchase cakes. Parents are invited to come to purchase any cakes from 1.50pm to 2.50pm to purchase the homemade cuisine.



Laethanta Saoire na Cásca / Easter Holidays

Beidh an scoil ag dúnadh ar an Aoine an 31ú de mhí Marta ar 12:00 i.n. agus ag oscailt arís ar an Luan an 17ú de mhí Aibreán.

The school will close for Easter holidays at mid-day (12:00) for all classes on Friday, 31st March. The school will re-open on Monday the 17th April.

Ag Páirceáil sa Charrchlós/Car-parking

Ba mhaith linn an córas tráchtá atá againn sa chlós a mheabhú daoibh. Níl cead ag páistí a bheith ag súgradh nó ag imirt sa chlós ag am dhul abhaile. Bheimis buíoch dá bhféadfaí bhur n-am a thógaint ag teacht agus ag imeacht ón gclós. Go raibh maith agaibh

Please note that the school operates a traffic control one way system where parents are asked to queue from the front school entrance and depart from the back of the school, this ensures the safe departure of the pupils from the school premises each day. We would like to remind you that children are not permitted to play in the school yard at pick up times. We thank you for your understanding.

Coiste na dTuismitheoirí/Parent's Association

Ba mhaith linn buíochas ó chroí a ghabháil le Coiste na dTuismitheoirí as an tráth na gceist iontach a reachtáladh le déanaí sa Copper Grove. D'éirigh thar cionn leis agus is mór againn bhur dtacaíocht. Ná déanaigí dearmad go bhfuil cruinniú choiste na dtuismitheoirí againn anocht ar a 7.30in ar zoom. Seol rphost chuig parentsassociationgnab@outlook.ie chun d'áit a chur in áirithe le bhur dtoil.

The next Parents' Association meeting will be on Thursday, February 23rd at 7.30pm via Zoom. All parents/guardian's welcome. For login details, please email: parentsassociationgnab@outlook.ie

Go raibh maith agaibh to the Parents' Association who held a table quiz in the Copper Grove in February. Also we would like to say a sincere thank you to all the sponsors who donated prizes for the raffle on the night. Your support is very much appreciated.