



30ú Meán Fómhair 2021



Fáilte/Welcome Back

Fáilte thar n-ais ar scoil gach éinne. Ba mhian linn fáilte faoi leith a chur roimh gach éinne go háirithe ár bpáistí nua atá ag teacht ar scoil don chéad uair.

As we start a new school year, we would like to extend a very warm welcome back to everyone. We would also like to welcome all our new pupils and families to the school and look forward to a busy school year ahead! As we near the end of our first month back in school we would like to thank everyone for being so co-operative and patient as we continue in adapting to the safety measures.



Am Oscailte na scoile /School Opening Times - Collection of Children / Safety Measures

- *Beidh geataí na scoile ag oscailt ar a 9r.n.* The school gates open every morning at 9.00am.
- The collection point for Naíonáin Bheaga will be at the side gate at the Junior Infant playground.
- The collection point for Naíonáin Mhóra will be at the railing in front of the main school door.
- Please inform childminders, grandparents etc. of the arrangements.
- Parents are reminded that it is vital to collect your children on time. If Parents are scheduling their children for collection by the crèche or to walk home unaccompanied please inform the school in writing.
- Parking is not permitted in Jeffers car park at any time – before, during or after

school, residential driveways should not be obstructed/do not park on or line roadway outside the school gate before 9am

- Parents are not permitted to enter the building without prior appointment. Please email the school to make an appointment or alternatively phone the office. If in an event a child forgets lunch, coat, bag please wait at the main reception door.
- We ask that parent's collecting at 1:50pm vacate their space promptly in order for the gates to be closed to make the yard accessible for the senior classes. As we appreciate the yard is busy we would ask parents not to congregate at collection times.



Athrú ar shonraí tuistí / Change of details

Bheadh sé ina chabhair mhór dúinn más rud é go bhfuil aon athruithe tagtha ar bhur sonraí maidir le huimhreacha teileafóin nó seoladh baile, é a chur in iúl don rúnaí chomh luath is gur féidir nó glaoch a chuir ar an scoil ag a 023 88 43378.

We ask parents/guardians to inform the School of any changes in information regarding their children. We would like to bring to your attention that it is our practice to send messages to **one mobile** number per family. You can contact the school directly on 023 88 43378.



Rang a Dó & David Walliams

Bhain Rang a 2 sár-taitneamh as webinar beo leis an údar mór le rá David Walliams le déanaí. B'fhéidir go mbeidh a thuilleadh údar inár measc amach anseo ó Rang a 2!

Fiona Healy Eames in partnership with ESCI organised a live stream interview via Zoom for schools with author David Walliams on September 20th. Rang a Dó really enjoyed the experience and interview of listening to one of their favourite authors reading to them from some of his popular books.



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.

The Way 2 Pay system for payments will be operational shortly. These payments cover Art & Craft materials, photocopying, Pupil Personal Insurance, Book Rental and other expenses.



Céad Chomaoineach

Comhghairdeachas ó chroí le Rang a 3 a ghlac a gCéad Chomaoineach ar an Satharn i Séipéal Naomh Pádraig. Ba mhaith linn buíochas a ghabháil le Múinteoir Mhairéad Áine as an rang a ullmhú dá lá speisialta agus le Múinteoir Helen as an gceol. Táimid an-bhuíoch do Choiste na dTuismitheoirí chomh maith as cóisir beag a eagrú don rang.

Congratulations to the Holy Communion class who finally got to celebrate their special day last Saturday. It was a wonderful and memorable occasion. Thank you to Múinteoir Mhairéad Áine for preparing the class and Múinteoir Helen for the beautiful music. A big thank you to the Parent's Association who organised special treats for all the class to mark this special occasion.

Tinreamh / Electronic Roll Books

Tá córas rolla leictreonach sa scoil seo agus tá dualgas orainn an rolla a bheith déanta roimh 10:00 gach maidin. Más rud é go mbeidh do pháiste déanach, cuir scéal chugainn ionas gur féidir linn do pháiste a mharcaíl isteach le do thoil.

The school uses an Electronic system for recording the roll. We are obliged to have the attendance for the school day completed by 10.00am. Punctuality for 9:10a.m. is of vital importance for all students. If for any reason your child is going to be late please contact the school so we can ensure your child's attendance is recorded for that day.

Ag bailiú leanaí go luath/Collecting children early and Appointments with Staff

Más rud é go bhfuil ort do pháiste a bhailiú go luath, caithfear dul i dteagmháil leis an scoil roimhré trí ghlaoch ar an scoil nó ríomhphost a sheoladh chuig info@gsbandan.ie

If your child has to be collected early you are asked to contact the school in advance to arrange this.

- In the event of a person unknown to school staff collecting your child. Please inform school in advance.
- If parents wish to speak with their child's class teacher the first point of contact is the child's homework diary. Following on from this if a parent wishes to speak to a member of staff they should contact the office to schedule a call with the class teacher. Thank you for your co-operation.



Bainne/Milk

Beidh bainne ar fáil do pháistí ó Naí Shinsir – Rang 6. Beidh costas €20.00 air agus cludóidh sé sin ó 4ú lá de mhí Dheireadh Fómhair go dtí Briseadh na Cásca. Má tá suim ag aon duine bainne a fháil, tabhair an t-airgead don mhúinteoir ranga roimh an, an 4ú lá de mhí Deireadh Fómhair.

School milk is available to pupils from Senior Infants - 6th Class. The cost per child from 4th October to the Easter Break is €20.00. For anyone interested in school milk please notify the school by email before October 4th. Our way 2 pay system will facilitate payment.

Scoil Cothaithe Sláinte/Health Promoting School

Mar scoil cothaithe sláinte déanaimid tréaniarracht béim speisialta a chur ar shláinte. Molaimid lóin sláintiúla. Ní cheadaítear na hearraí seo a leanas: deochanna súilíneacha, criospaí, milséain agus guma coganta, táirgí seacláide (m.sh barraí le seacláid, iógart le seacláid, brioscaí le seacláid agus araile). Tá cead rud deas amháin a thabhairt isteach ar an oíne.

As a Health Promoting School we endeavour to promote healthy lunches. The following items are not allowed fizzy drinks, chocolate, biscuits, crisps, sweets and chewing gum. We encourage children to include 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. While we acknowledge children's birthdays in school as part of our Healthy Lunch Policy we ask parents not to send in cakes or treats for the whole class. We remind parents that the circulation of birthday invitations should happen outside of school.

Ailléirge Cnónna/ Nut Allergies

Tá roinnt leanaí ar scoil le hailléirge cnónna – d'fhéadfadh aon teagmháil le cnónna d'aon saghas a bheith fíor-chontúirteach. Iarraimid oraibh a bheith airdeallach ina leith is lón do linbh á chur le chéile agat. Meabhraímid daoibh nach bhfuil cead ag leanaí bia a roinnt ar scoil, fiú ar ócáidí speisialta.

Some children in the school have nut allergies – any contact with peanuts or other nuts can be extremely dangerous (including Nutella). Please be mindful of this when organising your child's lunch. We ask parents to remind their children that sharing of lunches is prohibited.

As a Health Promoting School every effort will be made to ensure that children get fresh air and exercise during the school day. Please ensure your child brings a coat to school each day.



Ag Clarú/Enrolment 2021/2022

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 contact the office with their details.



Cumann na Tuistí/Parents Association

Reachtálfar Cruinniú Cinn Bliana Chumann na dTuismitheoirí ar an gCéadaoin, an 6ú lá de de Dheireadh Fómhair ar a 8 a chlog ar zoom. Tá fáilte roimh chách.

This year's AGM of the Parents' Association will be held via ZOOM on Wed. 6th Oct. at 8pm. All parents/guardians are welcome to attend. Please email ParentsAssociationGnaB@outlook.ie for login details.



Lá na nGeansaithe / Goal Jersey Day

Cuirimid fáilte roimh na leanaí teacht isteach ina ngeansaithe spóirt is fearr ar an Aoine an 8ú lá de Dheireadh Fómhair. Beimid ag bailiú airgid don charthanacht GOAL ar an lá. Bheimis buíoch dá bhféadfadh gach éinne €1 nó €2 a thabhairt isteach.

The school will host a Goal Jersey Day on Friday October 8th. All pupils are invited to wear their favourite jersey or t-shirt. We would ask that children contribute €1 or €2 on the day.

GOAL Jersey Day sees communities across Ireland coming together and wearing their favourite jerseys to support GOAL's work with vulnerable communities.



An Brat Glas / The Green Flag

Comhghairdeachas le Múinteoir Mhaitiú agus a rang a bhain amach ár dtriú Brat Glas le déanaí. Beidh an searmanas bronnta ar siúl ar an Déardaoin an 14ú de Dheireadh Fómhair ar a 11.00 a chlog ar líne.

Congratulations to Múinteoir Mhaitiú and his sixth class who recently achieved our third green flag. The awards ceremony will take place on Thursday the 14th of October at 11am online.



STEAM / Tionscnamh Eolaíochta

D'éirigh le Múinteoir Emma agus a rang Ipad a bhuachaint don scoil le déanaí de bharr an tionscnaimh iontach eolaíochta a chuireadar le chéile anuraidh.

Congratulations to Múinteoir Emma and last year's Rang a 5 who were awarded an Ipad for the school for their wonderful science project.



Dámhachtain Fred O'Connell / Fred O'Connell NPC Innovation Award

Comhghairdeachas le Cumann na dtuismitheoirí a bhain an chéad áit amach i gcomórtas Fred O'Connell le déanaí.

Congratulations to the Parents' Association for all their hard work and achievement in winning first place at the Fred O'Connell NPC Innovation Awards recently.



Drámaíocht / Drama Classes

Tosnóidh gach rang le ceachtanna drámaíochta ar an 8ú lá de Dheireadh Fómhair. Leanfar ar aghaidh leo suas go briseadh na Nollag.

All classes will participate in drama class, beginning on Friday October 8th which will run until Christmas.



Leabhair Scoile le tabhairt thar nais / The Return of Literacy Lift off books & Book Rental books

Tá roinnt leabhar scoile fós le tabhairt thar nais. Bheimis buíoch dá bhféadfaí iad a sheoladh thar nais chomh luath agus is féidir.

A small number of books have yet to be returned. Please return books as soon as possible in a sealed plastic bag with your child's name and last year's class teacher on the front of the bag. We would appreciate your co-operation in this matter as failure to return the books will delay the allocation of books for the current academic year.