



27ú Samhain 2020



### Way2 Pay

A gentle reminder – A small amount of book rental money, class expenses and Christmas Annuals are still outstanding. We would appreciate if payment could be made as soon as possible via the Way2Pay link.



### Taispeántas Nollag Sóisearach/Junior Christmas Show

*Beidh gach rang ag glacadh páirte i Seó na Nollag, ina mbeidh dráma beag á léiriú acu. Beidh sé ar siúl ar an **15ú de mhí na Nollag**. Beidh na múinteoirí ag insint do na ranganna faoi na feistis. 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 Christmas performances which will take place in the school, on **Tuesday, 15<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 Friday the 11<sup>th</sup> of December.



### 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 2021/2022 school year please contact the office with their details.



## **Lá na nGeansaithe Nollag/Christmas Jumper Day!**

*Beidh fáilte roimh na daltaí geansaí Nollag a chaitheamh nó hata Nollag a chaitheamh ar an Aoine an 18ú lá de mhí na Nollag. Ní bheimis ag súil go gceannódh tuismitheoirí aon rud nua chuige seo. Ní bheimid ag bailiú airgid ar scoil i mbliana ach más mian leat tacú le tuismitheoir atá ag bailiú airgid do scoil ar na hOileáin Fhilipíneacha is féidir leat an t-eolas cuí a fháil ag an nasc seo a leanas:*

[https://paypal.me/schoolpacksPhillippi?locale.x=en\\_US](https://paypal.me/schoolpacksPhillippi?locale.x=en_US)

*Tá a thuilleadh eolais faoin gcarthanacht ag an suíomh seo a leanas:*

<https://www.corkbeo.ie/news/local-news/little-goes-long-long-way-19239948>

Children are invited to wear a Christmas Jumper/Christmas Hat on Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> December. *We do not want people buying clothes especially - anything with a Christmas theme is suitable. A parent in the school is fundraising to send basic school supplies to children in the Philippines. With the money raised it is hoped items such as stationery and paper can be purchased for the children in the school .Please see a link below for anyone who wishes to donate to the Philippines School Charity.*

[https://paypal.me/schoolpacksPhillippi?locale.x=en\\_US](https://paypal.me/schoolpacksPhillippi?locale.x=en_US)

*For more information please read further at the following news article on Cork Beo:*

<https://www.corkbeo.ie/news/local-news/little-goes-long-long-way-19239948>



## **Innealtóireacht le UCC / Engineering In A Box**

*A bhúiochas don chomhlacht innealtóireachta Jacobs beidh deis ag Rang a 5 páirt a ghlacadh sa scéim innealtóireachta Engineering in a Box a bheidh á reachtáil ag UCC arís i mbliana. Gheobhaidh an rang 2 bhosca innealtóireachta go luath san athbhliain le treoracha.*

*A big thank you to Jacobs Engineering Cork who again have generously agreed to sponsor Rang a 5 in participating in the Engineering in a Box initiative through UCC this year. Using fun, practical, shared learning elements this programme introduces engineering and engineers as problem solvers in all kinds of interesting fields. The class will receive two STEM mini boxes early in the New Year which will run for 10 weeks.*



## Aladdin Connect

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

## Cumarsáid leis an scoil / Communication with the school

If you wish to make contact with the class teacher with any updates, concerns or queries regarding your child or your child's work please do so via the **homework diary**. Parental WhatsApp groups are separate to school activities. Any queries in relation to your child's work etc should be conveyed by the parent directly to the class teacher via the **homework diary**.



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

Ar mhiste libh a chinntiú go bhfuil cóta ag do pháiste ag teacht ar scoil.

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



## Briseadh na Nollag/Christmas Holidays

*Dúnfar an scoil don Nollaig ag meánlae ar an Máirt an 22/12/2020 agus beidh an scoil á athoscailt ar an gCéadaoin an 06/01/2021.*

The school will close on 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 12.00 noon and will re-open on 6th January 2021. To ease traffic congestion, Junior Infants and Senior Infants will finish at **11.45am** on Tuesday the 22<sup>th</sup> December. Children are not required to wear school uniform on this day.



## **Clár Glasraí agus Torthaí / Incredible Edibles Programme**

Beidh Rang a 1 agus Rang a 2 ag glacadh páirte sa chlár Incredible Edibles san Earrach. Rang a 1 and Rang a 2 will take part in the Incredible Edibles programme in Spring. The programme is a healthy eating and horticultural growing initiative to educate students about growing food and vegetables.

## **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



## **Lá Saor ó Obair Bhaile / Homework Free Day**

Dea-scéala a pháistí! Tá an tAire Oideachais i ndiaidh lá saor ó obair bhaile a thabhairt do gach scoil sa tír! Is é an 10ú lá de mhí na Nollag an dáta atá roghnaithe againn gan aon obair bhaile a sheoladh abhaile.

The Minister for Education has issued a no homework day for all school pupils in the country! Our school has chosen to have a homework free day on the 10<sup>th</sup> of December.

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

The BOM, school leadership and staff are very conscious of the paramount need to keep all pupils, staff and visitors 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. In an event that a parent has to enter the school building a contact tracing form has to be filled out. 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.

# Parents Association

## Parents' Association

*A big thank you to the Parents Association who have organised the Annual Santa Visit this year. Each child will receive a selection box kindly donated by the Parents Association on Friday, December 18<sup>th</sup>.*

*Congratulations to the Parents Association for organising the recent Speed Quiz fundraiser online which was a huge success. Well done to everyone who participated on the night.*

*The PA have organising two upcoming events: Details for both events have been sent to all families.*

- *Anti-Bullying training session hosted by the National Parents Council which will take place on Thursday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of December between 8pm and 9pm via Zoom. **Please note pre-registration is required before 3pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup> December.***
- *A sponsored walk to the North Pole. – Sponsorship cards have been distributed by the class teacher.*