



## Gaelscoil an Choillín

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### Nuachtlitir 11 Deireadh Fómhair 2016

**Win €10,000 for our school thanks to Keelings, Flahavans & The Ian Dempsey Breakfast Show**

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This week The Ian Dempsey Breakfast Show are giving pupils (and parents) the chance to win €10,000 for their school!

**THE PRIZE:** €10,000 bursary for the winning school and, The Ian Dempsey Breakfast Show will broadcast from the school and deliver the €10,000 cheque on the 28th of October 2016.

**HOW TO ENTER:** The competition is simple. Pupils (with the help from a parent) write 250 words on what makes their school so special and what their school might spend the money on. This can all be done online at the above link.

**WHAT HAPPENS THEN:** From all the entries received, they will pick five schools every day this week to go into the end of week draw. One pupil from these five schools will go on the radio and deliver their manifesto to the nation every day. At the end of the week, there will be 25 schools in the draw where one lucky winner will be picked out at 8:40am on Friday October 14<sup>th</sup> 2016 (this Friday).

If you can, we would greatly appreciate your support. Log on to the link [www.todayfm.com/WIN-10000-FOR-YOUR-SCHOOL-](http://www.todayfm.com/WIN-10000-FOR-YOUR-SCHOOL-) to enter Gaelscoil an Choillín into this competition as many times as possible.

#### Gum Shields

Bígí cinnte go bhfuil na cosantóirí bhéil sna málaí scoile an t-am ar fad. Please ensure that your child's gum shield is always in his/her school bag. Go raibh míle maith agaibh.

#### Jungle Joes Fundraiser 2016

Bhí tráthnóna agus oíche den scoth againn ar an Aoine 30 Meán Fómhair seo caite, ár mbuíochas le gach duine a d'fhreastal ann. Gabhaim míle buíochas le Múinteoir Trína Ní Bhaoill ach go háirithe, mar aon leis, na baill ó Bhord Bainistíochta na Scoile a chabhraigh go mór léi – Karen Stenson, Sheila Ní Ghréacáin agus Evan McCormack. D'éirigh linn teacht ar €2030 gan stró. Gabhaim míle buíochas lenár urraitheoirí don oíche seo agus don chrannchur. Sin iad;

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#### Donations:

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Selection of paintings  
Jam Hamper

#### Rang 1&2 le Múinteoir Trína

Beidh an triú teanga á fhoghlaim ag Rang 1&2 i mbliana agus, creid nó ná creid, tá páistí ranga ag Múinteoir Trína go mbeidh an Fhraincis an ceathrú teanga dóibh. Beidh Múinteoir Trína ag comhoibriú le scoil i ndeisceart na Fraince agus beidh deiseanna lenár bpáistí ranga comhráite a bheith acu leis an rang sin. Go n-éirí go geal leo.

Our Rang 1&2 will learn a third language this year with Múinteoir Trína although, for a number of our pupils it will in fact be their fourth language. Impressive! Múinteoir Trína has partnered with a school in southern France and Rang 1&2 will have an opportunity to practice their new language with their new friends during the year. Each morning Múinteoir Trína encourages the class to listen to RTÉ News2Day for Kids and, we hope to forward a request to RTÉ News2Day to visit Rang 1&2 and this fantastic project. Best of luck to Múinteoir Trína and Rang 1&2.

### **Coiste na dTusmitheoirí – Clothes Collection**

Please find attached the Clothes Collection Flyer from Coiste na dTusmitheoirí. Many thanks for all your support.

### **Coiste na dTusmitheoirí – Oíche Eolais**

Beidh dhá Oíche Eolais do Thuismitheoirí na Scoile á chur i láthair ag Coiste na dTusmitheoirí go luath ar an 10<sup>ú</sup> Samhain agus ar an 24<sup>ú</sup> Samhain 2016.

The Parents Association in conjunction with the NPC (National Parents Council) have kindly organised two Information & Awareness Evenings for our school parents as well as for the wider community, both to take place in November 2016 (10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>).

These Information & Awareness Evenings will be offered to all interested parties with regard to Mental Health and Bullying. We will have more information shortly when we receive final confirmation of the times and facilitators.

### **Tráth na gCeist 2017 / Family Table Quiz 2017**

Ná déanaigí dearmad go mbeidh ár dTráth na gCeist do Chlainne Scoile á reachtáil ag Coiste na dTusmitheoirí arís i mbliana ar an Domhnach 13<sup>ú</sup> Samhain 2016. Tosóidh sé ag a trí a chlog, thuas staighre in Ostán an Annebrook. Táimid ag tnúth le gach duine a fheiceáil ann! Don't forget that our Annual Family Table Quiz with Coiste na dTusmitheoirí takes place on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November at 3pm in the Annebrook Hotel. We look forward to seeing you all there!

### **Cártaí na Nollag 2016**

Beidh na cártaí Nollag á dhearadh ag na páistí scoile arís i mbliana agus amach anseo beidh deis ag gach clann na cártaí a cheannach roimh na Nollag, más maith leo. After our Family Table Quiz, our final fundraising activity this term will be the Christmas Cards. As per last year's plan each pupil will take home a template. They will design their Christmas card at home with you. This template will then be sent off to the publishers who will provide you with a sample as well as an order form, should you wish to order the cards. The school receives a percentage of all sales. Please note that there will be a final date for placing orders and payment must be made prior to an order being placed. We thank Coiste na dTusmitheoirí for organising this activity for us. There will be more details regarding dates and prices shortly.

### **Belvedere Cross Country 2017**

Ghlacamar páirt insan comórtas aclaíochta idirscoile arís i mbliana, a bhí á éagrú ag Mullingar Harriers. Seo iad na torthaí scoile dúinne. Here are our results from the Cross Country event in Belvedere on 28<sup>th</sup> September. Each race gave out 20 medals to the first 20 finishers and 100 sticker places thereafter (21-120). We did really well this year when you consider that an average race had approximately 180+ pupils participating in both the boys and the girls class categories.

#### **Rang a hAon**

- 3 Naima Ní Fhaoláin (medal winner)
- 23 Oisín Ó Sceallaigh
- 26 Charlie Ó Muireartaigh
- 32 Rachel Ní Ghúlbhura
- 85 Emma Rose Boshuijer

- 86 Katie Ní hAnluain
  - 103 Clíodhna Tubman
- #### **Rang a Dó**

- 12 Ruairí Mac Giolla Mhártain (medal winner)

- 40 Ross Mac an Tuile
  - 44 Daisy Ní Mhathúna
- #### **Rang a Trí**

- 34 Andres Ó Faoláin
- 69 Eva Nic Amhlaidh
- 74 Will Ó Gúlbhura

#### **Rang a Ceathair**

- 50 Seán Mac an Tuile
- 110 Melissa de Paor

#### **Rang a Cúig**

- 70 Al Ó Faoláin
- 87 Lauren de Paor
- 99 Sorcha Nic Amhlaidh

#### **Rang a Sé**

- 43 Abby Ní Ghabhann
- 100 Elisha McCann Hunt

#### **Commendations**

- Craig Ó Fearail, Rang 6.  
Bhí rás an-mhaith ag Craig. Well done Craig for a great race and a determined sprint to the finish line. Craig abú!

### **Cumann na mBunscol**

Bhí cluiche againn in aghaidh Ballynacargy ar an Aoine seo caite. Bhí sárcluiche againn. Cé nach raibh an bua againn an uair seo tá an fhoireann ag forbairt agus ag foghlaim conas imirt agus comhoibriú le chéile. Maith sibh gach duine!

Please note that we will not be able to sustain the Tuesday hurling Cumann na mBunscol training session with the current numbers. Without the training session the school will not partake in hurling at Cumann na mBunscol level. I know that pupils are getting the bus home at 2:30pm on this day however, training must take place outside of teaching hours and so I appeal to all parents in 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> class to get their children involved in this free sports session. Car-pooling might be an option on this day. Go raibh míle maith agaibh.

### **An tAthair Pádraig**

Tá an cruinniú anocht leis an Athair Pádraig ar ceal. Bhuaill an tAthair Pádraig le gach duine ar an Domhnach, i ndiaidh na hAifrinn. Tonight's meeting for the parents of First Holy Communion children has been cancelled. Instead, Fr.Pádraig met with parents at the end of the Enrolment Mass on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2016. If you did not remain for this meeting kindly place a note in the Dialann Obair Bhaile and Múinteoir Trína will forward the details to you. Fr.Pádraig received a surprise invitation to an audience with the Pope in celebration of his Silver Jubilee and so will not be in a position to attend a meeting tonight. We wish An tAthair Pádraig a memorable trip.

### **Snámh Rang 3&4**

Swimming for Rang 3&4 begins on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2016 for 7 sessions. The bus leaves at 9am sharp.

### **Briseadh na Samhna**

Beimid ag dúnadh do Bhriseadh na Samhna ar an Aoine 28<sup>ú</sup> Deireadh Fómhair 2016. Beidh an scoil ar oscailt arís ar an Luan 7<sup>ú</sup> Samhain 2016.

We close for Halloween Break on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2016, normal school hours apply. Pupils may wear their Halloween costumes on this day, €1 per pupil. We re-open on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

### **Glasnevin Cemetery**

[www.glasnevinmuseum.ie](http://www.glasnevinmuseum.ie)

[www.glasnevintrust.ie](http://www.glasnevintrust.ie)

### **Children's Twilight Tales 2016**

€10.00 - €10.00

Glasnevin Cemetery has tours this Halloween suitable for children ages 6 to 12 yrs. Fancy Dress welcome. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Children's 'Twilight Tales' are at 4.30pm and 5.45pm from Thursday 27th to Monday 31st October.

Booking essential. Arrive 15 minutes early.

### **Saving the Famine Irish: The Grey Nuns and the Great Hunger Exhibition**

President Michael D. Higgins and Minister for Arts, Heritage, and Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs Heather Humphreys opened the "Saving the Famine Irish: The Grey Nuns and the Great Hunger" Exhibit at Glasnevin Museum for the National Famine Commemoration on September 11th 2016.

It tells the story of the Grey Nuns who cared for typhus-stricken and dying Irish Famine emigrants in the fever sheds of Montreal during the summer of 1847.

The "Saving the Famine Irish: The Grey Nuns and the Great Hunger" exhibit is open to the public **FREE** of charge from 11<sup>th</sup> September 2016.

In 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Class (every second year) we read the book Under The Hawthorn Tree by Marita Conlon-McKenna which is set in Ireland in the 1840s at a time when the country is devastated by famine. Pupils in 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> who have already read the book might find this exhibition enjoyable.

### **Breithlaethanta na bPáistí Scoile**

Comhghairdeas libh a pháistí, the birthdays that have been celebrated in our school since we took our holidays on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2016 and, that will be celebrated prior to our Halloween Break are;

#### **Naíonáin**

AJ Purcell Tomkins, aois 5

Eoin Tubman, aois 5

Elizabeth Ní Cheallaigh, aois 5

Emily Nic an Tuile, aois 5

Doireann Nic Stibhin, aois 6

Daniel Mac Fhearaigh, aois 6

Tommy Ó Nailligh, aois 6

Ashton Mac Mathúna, aois 6

Casey Ní Fhearail, aois 6

### **Rang 1&2**

Oisín Ó Sceallaigh, aois 7

Charlie Ó Muireartaigh, aois 7

Rachel Ní Ghúlbhura, aois 7

Emma Rose Boshuijjer, aois 8

Naima Ní Faoláin, aois 7

Ross Mac an Tuile, aois 8

Aonghus Mac Mathúna, aois 7

Ruairí Mac Giolla Mhártain, aois 8

Matthew Ó CEraúil Martinez, aois 8

Eoghan Ó Meachair, aois 8

Jayden Lee Raleigh, aois 8

Emma L'Estrange Hull, aois 7

Réaltín Nic Stibhin, aois 8

Carlie Ní Fhearail, aois 8

### **Rang 3&4**

James Ó Muireartaigh, aois 9

Eva Nic Amhlaidh, aois 8

Dillíúin de Búrca, aois 8

Andres Ó Faoláin, aois 9

Will Ó Ghúlbhura, aois 9

Rían Ó Broin, aois 9

Edel Ní Shíoráin, aois 9

Ryan Mac Stiofáin, aois 10

Morgan Ó Réamonn, aois 10

Phoenix Ní Scolaí, aois 10

Seán Mac an Tuile, aois 10

Melissa de Paor, aois 10

### **Rang 5&6**

Lauren de Paor, aois 11

Sorcha Nic Amhlaidh, aois 10

Tomás Mac Cionaoith, aois 11

### **Lá Inseirbhíse 2017**

Beidh an scoil dúnta ar feadh an lae ar an 12<sup>ú</sup> Eanáir 2017 do Lá Inseirbhíse don Curaclam Teanga Nua.

Our school will be closed on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2017 for a Professional In-service Training Day for the New Language Curriculum for Primary Schools.

### **Seirbhís an tSolais na Marbh**

Beidh Seirbhís an tSolais dona Marbh againn arís i mbliana ar an Aoine 25<sup>ú</sup> Samhain 2016.

Beidh deireadh ag teacht leis an gcéad théarma scoile ag an bpointe sin agus, gan dabht is am speisialta don bhliain é dúinn go léir. Chuige sin tá sé i gceist againn Seirbhís an tSolais a eagrú le bheith ar an Aoine 25<sup>ú</sup> Samhain 2016 ag 9:05 – 09:25rn ina ndéanfimid cuimhneachán ar ár gcairde agus ar ár mbaill clainne atá imithe uainn.

In celebration of our Interdenominational Ethos and in fond memory of deceased family and friends, we would like to invite you to a Special Ecumenical Service of Light in the hall on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November, 09:05 – 09:25am. An Ecumenical Service is an all-inclusive and all-embracing service. Each family may request to have the names of deceased family and friends read out during the service after which the eldest child in each family will light a candle in their memory (one candle per family). We welcome members of each family to be in attendance, if possible.

Gabhaimid buíochas le Múinteoir Ciarán agus le Rúnaí Siobhán as ucht an ocaíd seo a eagrú dúinn arís i mbliana.