## Nuachtlitir Ghaelscoil na Mí



Márta- Aibreán 2023

#### Beannachtaí oraibh go léir

This newsletter rounds up all the imeachtaí/ activities we took part in for Seachtain na Gaeilge 2023 and the great start we've had to Term 3 as well as listing important dates and giving information about upcoming school events from now to the summer holidays and into the next school year.

Mo bhuíochas do gach duine sa phobal scoile ar son téarma iontach a chur isteach idir Eanáir go Márta agus ar aghaidh linn go dtí an téarma deireanach. Ar aghaidh linn go Téarma 3 le agus mar a deir an tseanfhocal, "Ar Scáth a chéile a mhaireann na daoine."

My sincere thanks to all involved in the school community for helping us to have an excellent term between January- March. Onwards and upwards to Term 3 and though not a direct match for the seanfhocal as Gaeilge, Helen Keller's words are an apt translation as Béarla, "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."

Go raibh maith agaibh,

Clár Ní Mhaoláin- Príomhoide



Naíonáin Bheaga A & B: Darragh, Christopher, Cara, Jamie

Naíonáin Mhóra A & B: Evan, Lucy, Cillian, Lily

Rang 1: Ollie, Tadgh Ó C

Rang 2 A & B: Nathan, Pawel, Cillian, Adele

Rang 3 A & B: Matipa, Dominykas, Matilda C, Eric

Rang 4 A & B: Ruaidhrí, Sophie, Lucy, Aodán

Rang 5 A & B: Lily Alice, Leo, Sophia HF, Ciara

Rang 6: Annabelle, Cillian

Gradam an Phríomhoide: Hugh Ó T, Rang 4A



#### Dátaí don Dialann- Dates for the Diary

#### Aibreán- April

**28/04/23:** Rang 4 A& B "Silent Books Collection" workshop in Ashbourne Library (10am- 12.30pm)

#### **Bealtaine- May**

**01/05/23**: May Bank Holiday, school closed **03/05/23**: Bee Flanagan, PALS programme **05/05/23**: Non- uniform day, fundraiser for

Cairde na Scoile

**08/05/23:** Rang 6 departing for turas scoile to Gaeltacht Ghaoth Dobhair at 9am

**08/05/23:** Librarians from Ashbourne Library coming on a school visit

**12/05/23**: Rang 6 return from their Donegal adventure in the afternoon- tbc

**15/05/23:** Turas Scoile/ School tour Rang 3

& 4 to Navan Adventure Centre

**19/05/23:** Curriculum training day for staff, pupils at home

22/05/23: Turas Scoile/ School tour for Naoínáin Bheaga & Mhóra to Newgrange Farm

**31/05/23:** Oíche Oscailte/ Open Evening for our incoming pupils in September @ 7.30pm

#### Meitheamh- June

**01/06/23:** Tráthnóna Oscailte/ Open Afternoon for our incoming pupils in September between 1.30- 2.30pm **01/06/23:** D\*I\*O\*S\*C\*Ó- School disco in

school hall, times for classes tbc

02/06/23: Scoil dúnta- School Closed 05/06/23: June bank holiday, school closed

**06/06/23:** Scoil dúnta- School Closed **07/06/23:** Little Heroes First Aid training, R 5&6

**09/06/23:** Gléasadh suas/ Dress up super hero day

**09/06/23:** Cairde na Scoile quiz in Donaghmore- Ashbourne GAA Club

13/06/23: Turas Scoile/ School tour for Rang

1 to Mellowes Adventure Centre 14/06/23: Art Exhibition in School hall- more

details follow

**15/06/23**: Turas Scoile/ School tour for Rang 5 to W5, Belfast

**15/06/23**: Athletics Meet at Claremont, Navan

**19/06/23**: Provisional Date for School Reports

20/06/23: Provisional Date for Lá Spóirt 21/06/23: Cash for Clobber collection 22/06/23: Céiliúradh Rang 6- Sixth Class Celebration

23/06/23: Turas Scoile/ School Trip for Rang

2 to Mellowes Adventure Centre

28/06/23: Laethanta Saoire an tsamhraidh-

Summer holidays begin at 12pm

## Nuacht na bpáistí- Pupil News

Comórtas Sacair- Soccer Competition 01/03



Chuamar ar an mbus agus leathbhealaigh suas an bhóthar bhí orainn athrú bus a dhéanamh! Nuair a shroicheamar an áit ina raibh an sacar ar siúl bhí orainn ár mbuataisí a chur orainn. Bhuaigh foireann Rang 5 na cluichí ar fad agus chríochnaigh cluiche amháin ar chomhscór. D'imir mé féin, Casey, Ava, Freya D, Lara, Eve, Ellen agus Ellie ar an bhfoireann ar an lá sin. Lá iontach a bhí ann.

Charlie, Rang 5A

#### Seachtain na Gaeilge 2023



Bhí Seachtain na Gaeilge ar fheabhas! Bhí go leor comórtais ar siúl. Bhí comórtas na fuinneoga ar siúl. Roghnaigh an múinteoir Gaeilgeoir an Lae ag deireadh gach lá scoile don choicís agus bhí lá spóirt againn chomh maith le Seó Talainn. Bhain gach duine an- taitneamh as an coicís, bhí sé dóchreidte!

Róise, Rang 4B

#### Graffiti Classics, 29/03



Graffiti Classics are really great musicians. They are from Poland, Spain, Japan and my favourite musician Cathal is from Ireland. Cathal played the double bass, Tadasuke and Monika played violins and Sally played the viola.

They were very funny and all the children in the school watched the concert in our hall. It was fantastic.

Aaron Ó C, Rang 3A

Bleaist Eolaíochta- Science Blast 02/03



Ar an 2ú lá de mhí Márta chuaigh Rang 3- Rang 6 go dtí an RDS i mBaile Átha Cliath le haghaidh freastal ar an mBleaist Eolaíochta. Bhí dhá seó ann agus bhí Múinteoir John ón Homeschool Hub ann freisin. Bhí a lán ceisteanna éagsúla ann agus bhí a lán turgnaimh a dhéanamh aige. Tháinig a lán daoine go dtí na seastáin a bhí ag Gaelscoil na Mí, lá spraiúil a bhí ann ó thús go deireadh.

Emma, Rang 6

Breáthacht & an Brúd, Coláiste Ghlór na Mara 21/3



Ar 21ú de mhí Márta, chuaigh Rang 4 – Rang 6 go dtí drama "Breáthacht agus an Brúd" I nGaelcholáiste Ghlór na Mara. Bhain gach duine taitneamh as an dráma, as an turas ar an bhus agus as cuairt a thabhairt ar an meánscoil.

Oscar, Rang 4A

### **Teacher Artist Partnership 02-03/23**

TAP sessions were fun and interesting. Instead of being told what to do and how to do it we used the materials that John, the artist, brought to school and those we found ourselves and created whatever came to our minds and imagination.

We made creations out of wire and beads which was my favourite but we also picked flowers and leaves to put through the printing press. We used blotting paper and made our own books which I think was the favourite thing for most children in the group.

TAP was a wonderful experience and John and the teachers were kind and helpful from the very first session.

Ellie, Rang 5B

# Imeachtaí Scoile- School Events and Activities

#### Seachtain na Gaeilge 2023

All classes participated in Seachtain na Gaeilge competitions since the beginning of March including art, poetry, blogging, radio and the national award for primary schools.

We will find out in Term 3 if any of GSnaMí entries won, fingers crossed!

In addition to preparation for the competitions in class we held the following workshops/ activities;

- ✓ Garda Barbara and her colleague from the station in Ashbourne visited
- ✓ Rang 5 & 6 attended a workshop in Ráidió na Life
- ✓ Ciarán from Óga Yoga held yoga sessions for all classes
- ✓ Mobile Music School Percussion Classes for Naíonáin Bheaga- Rang 2
- ✓ Inter-class quizzes
- ✓ Class talent competitions
- ✓ Léigh le chéile/ Read together between older and younger classes
- ✓ Cairde na Scoile organized a coffee morning.
- ✓ Lá Spraoi/ Play day for all pupils
- ✓ Lá agus Paráid Ghlas- Green Day and Parade

Buíochas do Mhúinteoir Nic Cába who organized the SNAG activities agus buíochas mór dona múinteoirí go léir as ucht an obair chrua ar fad ó thús go deireadh na míosa.

#### Ranganna Drámaíochta / Drama Classes le Carol Rooney

Go raibh maith agat do Charol who finished up drama classes for Rang 1- Rang 5 before the Easter holidays.

Classes continue on Wednesdays for Naíonáin Bheaga, Naíonáin Mhóra and Rang 6. Rang 6 will stage a drama on their Celebration evening on 22/06/23 to showcase their drama skills and their ongoing work with Carol.

Moladh mór tuilte do Rang 1! Carol said all in Rang 1 worked so hard and thoroughly enjoyed their drama sessions in Term 2.



## **Ag Teacht Aníos**

## **Upcoming**

#### Scrúduithe Caighdeánach- Standardised Tests:

Rang 2- Rang 6 will complete tests in Spelling, English Reading, Gaeilge & Maths during the month of May. In agreement with the Board of Management and in line with practice in other schools, Rang 1 will not be completing standardized tests.

If your child is absent when their class sits any of the tests, we cannot guarantee that they will be able to resit on another day. The Special Education team will continue to follow timetables as best they can to the summer holidays and continue to support pupils with most need.

#### Taispeántas Ealaíne- Art Exhibtion

On Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June we will be displaying all pupils' artwork at an Art Exhitbition in the school hall. This project has been re-introduced by Cairde na Scoile as the last exhibition we had was in 2013 in the old prefabs by the GAA club. Pupils are busy preparing their masterpieces and further details will be issued closer to the time.

#### Tráth na gCeist Cairde na Scoile- Quiz by Cairde na Scoile

On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June Cairde na Scoile will be hosting a quiz in Donaghmore- Ashbourne GAA club. All are welcome and it would be great to see a high turn out in support of and as a thank you for all they do to support the school community.

#### Fáilte go Gaelscoil na Mí

Múinteoir Sorcha Ní Chathasaigh will be returning to Gaelscoil na Mí on 3<sup>rd</sup> May and we welcome Múinteoir Síofra Ní Nualláin who will be with us until the summer holidays. Comhghairdeas to Múinteoir Fiona Blythe who is coming to the end of her placement with Naíonáin Mhóra B and Múinteoir Blythe will also continue to work with us until the end of term. Mo bhuíochas libh go léir!

#### Bronnadh Ipad Úr- Presentation of a new school Ipad

Bhuaigh Rang 6 Ipad úr don scoil- Rang 6 have won a new Ipad for the school. Due to their participation in the Bleaist Eolaíochta and the feedback they gave about the day, Rang 6 were entered into a draw to win one of four Ipads. Last week M. Ó Raighne received the good news that they were one of the lucky winners and someone from Bleaist Eolaíochta will visit the school next week to make a presentation.



#### Fan linn le bhur dtoil- Bear with us please...

As you can see from this newsletter, term 3 is very busy. Between now and the summer holidays there are four- five days where no events are planned yet, but this is likely to change. Keep the dates for the diary close at hand, those on the first page of this newsletter and be sure to keep an eye on your emails/ texts for more details of school events.

We appreciate your patience with us at this time of year particularly when trying to arrange meetings, finalise arrangements for the next school year and making sure the turas scoile go to plan. Get in touch with us if you have any questions and especially if you need support with the cost of school tours.

Dates for the 2023- 24 school year will be issued in a separate email, please note that we will return to school on Thursday 31st August. If you know of families who require school places for September please tell them to get in touch.

Go raibh maith agaibh go léir