

## An tAthair Colm de Brún ag fágáil

Is cúis bróin dúinn a fhógairt go bhfuil An t-Athair Colm ag dul ar bhliain sabóideach i mbliana. Tá blianta caite aige anseo linn i nGaelscoil na Ríthe ach de bhar cúrsaí sláinte caithfidh sé slán a fhágáil linn. As school Chairperson and chaplain Fr. Colm has overseen preparation for the sacraments of Communion and Confirmation each year here in Gaelscoil na Ríthe. His genuine interest in the pupils' wellbeing, education and spiritual development have made him a much loved member of the school. Fr. Colm will be greatly missed by the pupils and also the staff, with whom he has had a great rapport! We wish him the very best in the months and years to come. Ádh mór air.

Ba mhaith le Bord na Paróiste go mbeifeá i láthair ag Oíche Cheiliúrtha is bronnta in ómós don Athair Colm a bheas ar siúl ar an **29ú Meán Fómhair ag 8p.m.** san ionad tréadach. Freisin, is féidir síntiús a thabhairt ach é a chur i gclúdach litreach le 'Fr. Colm's Presentation' scríofa air agus é a fhágáil i mbosca ofrála an Aifrinn nó a sheoladh isteach chuig an scoil roimh an 24ú Meán Fómhair.

After 7 years of dedicated ministry to the people and parish of Dunshaughlin / Culmullen, our beloved curate Fr. Colm Browne has been forced, due to health reasons, to take a sabbatical. It is hoped that following a period of rest and recuperation and with the help of our prayers that Fr. Colm will initially be able to take up some light duties in the Diocese and please God, over time, resume his full priestly ministry. As everyone will be aware the Parish was incredibly fortunate to have Fr. Colm assigned to us in the first instance as there are so few young priests coming through and Fr. Colm brought a great energy and enthusiasm to his role, particularly with his interaction and engagement with our young people in the schools, in the various youth groups and with NET Ministries.

Fr. Colm is very much the modern day priest, hugely into new technology and was rarely seen without his iPad busily going about his work in the parish. A very talented individual who could turn his hand to almost anything - an accomplished singer, a keen golfer and even a brave volunteer for the parish version of "Strictly Come Dancing" where he excelled with the prowess of a Fred Astaire. Fr. Colm threw himself fully into all aspects of parish life and is greatly loved by the entire community. Fr. Colm will be sorely missed by all particularly by Fr. Joe and the Parish Council with whom he formed a terrific partnership.

The Parish Council would like to mark Fr. Colm's departure with a presentation and evening of celebration in the Pastoral Centre on **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 8pm**. Anyone wishing to be associated with the presentation may do so by sending a contribution in a sealed envelope marked "Fr. Colm's Presentation" to any of the schools or drop the envelope into the offerings box at any Mass in the Parish. Contributions can also be personally given to any of the following individuals: Jim Vesey, Jenny Leonard, Michael Nolan, Teresa Murray (Dunshaughlin) Lena Walsh, Mary Kelly, Ann Lynch, Ciaran Murray (Culmullen).

Please put the date in your diary and do come along for what promises to be a terrific celebration and send off for Fr. Colm.

NB. Donations to be forwarded if possible, not later than Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September.



## Rince Gaelach

Ranganna Rince ag tosú Dé Máirt an 19ú Meán Fómhair. Beidh sé ar siúl gach Máirt sa halla. Costas €70.00 in aghaidh téarma 10 seachtain don chéad pháiste agus €125 don dara páiste. Irish Dancing starts Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September. It will take place every Tuesday in the school hall after school. Cost €70 for 10 weeks for the 1st child and €125 for the 2nd. Naí Shóis & Shins ó 1.30i.n go 2.30i.n.. Rang 1—Rang 6 ó 2.30i.n. go 3.30i.n.

## Cúrsaí Spóirt

Beidh réimse leathan imeachtaí spóirt ar siúl do bhuachaillí agus cailíní, tá Peil Ghaelach tosnaithe ag Naíonáin Mhóra agus Ranganna 1 & 2 le Jenny ó CLG An Mhí. Beidh rugbaí ar tosú do Ranganna 4, 5 & 6 an tseachtain seo chugainn agus beidh sacar ar siúl do chailíní Ranganna 1, 2 & 3. An active few weeks ahead here as the children participate in a wide variety of sporting activities with local organisations. Jenny from the Meath County Board is visiting the school once a week to instruct páistí Naíonáin Mhóra agus Ranganna 1 & 2 in the FUNdamentals GAA skills programme. Ranganna 4, 5 & 6 will be getting Rugby coaching from next week on and the girls from Ranganna 1, 2 & 3 will partake in soccer skills training. Maith sibh go léir!



## Páirceáil agus Sábháilteacht

Ar dtús ba mhaith liom mo bhuíochas a ghlacadh leo siúd, idir thuismitheoirí, seanthuistí, feighlithe srl atá ag tacú leis an iarratas i leith cúraim agus tuisceana i dtaobh páirceáil ag an scoil. Bíonn fadhbanna le páirceáil ag gach scoil agus deacair iad a réiteach agus an oiread sin daoine ag teacht agus ag imeacht ag an am céanna. Tá sábháilteacht na bpáistí níos tábhachtaí ná rud ar bith eile. Tá roinnt bheag daoine fós ag cruthú contúirt agus ábhair mínithe acu ar nós ‘ní bheidh mé ach nóiméad’, ‘má tá an duine sin in ann páirceáil táimse in ann freisin’, ‘tá an páiste eile ar chúl’ nó sláinte pearsanta. De réir an dlí is gá ceantar na mbusanna a choinneáil saor ó chonstaic. Déanaigí machnamh ar shábháilteacht na bpáistí uile ag an scoil. Firstly I want to thank all those parents, grandparents, minders etc who have observed the call for care and consideration around parking at the school. Parking at all schools is a difficult issue to solve as so many people are arriving and leaving at the same time. However the safety of children is of utmost importance. A few people in cars have continued to cause danger citing reasons such as ‘only a minute’, ‘if that person can park here, I can’, ‘my other child is in the back seat’ or even personal health. By law the bus bay must be kept clear. Please think of the safety of all children at the school.

## CAIRDE NA SCOILE – PARENT ASSOCIATION

Bhí Cruinniú Bliantúil Ginearálta ar siúl ar an gCéadaoin 13ú Meán Fómhair. Ba mhaith liom fáilte a chur roimh an gcoiste nua agus buíochas a ghabháil le na baill atá ag imeacht ó coiste Cairde i mbliana. Is mór an cúnadh a chuireann Cairde ar fáil don scoil - ag cuidiú le ceiliúraithe Céad Chomaoine, Cóinéartaithe, Oíche Shamhna, tráth na Nollag, Seachtain na Gaeilge, Gradam Rang 6, Tráthnóna Spóirt maraon le cuidiú le h- íocaíochta busa d'fhoirne na scoile agus go leor eile.

The Parent Association held a very successful AGM on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September A 'céad míle failte' to the new committee and a big thank you to the outgoing members for all their hard work. Their help at the school is much appreciated...celebrations of Communion, Confirmation, Halloween, Christmas, Seachtain na Gaeilge, 6th Class Graduation, Family Fun Day, subsidising buses to matches and much more.

In conjunction with the AGM last Wednesday Cairde Na Scoile had a very successful information night. Allen O Donoghue, child psychologist came in and spoke about parenting and building resilience in children. There was a brilliant turn out from parents. If you would like to see particular topics covered in future information nights, we would love to hear from you. Please drop us a line [cairde.gscoilnarithe@gmail.com](mailto:cairde.gscoilnarithe@gmail.com)

Céad Míle Failte to the 8 new members who have joined the Cairde committee. We look forward to an exciting and fulfilling year ahead.

