

Nuacht na Ríthe

Deireadh Fómhair 2021

Tá áthas orainn bheith ar ais agus mí iomlán críochnaithe againn ar scoil, táimid an-bhuíoch díbh as an gcomhoibriú agus as an tacaíocht agus muid ag iarraidh an scoil a athoscailt agus a thosú arís ar bhealach sábháilte. Tá a fhios againn go bhfuil cuid de mí-áisiúil agus tá súil againn go mbeimid in ann filleadh beagáinín ar an ngnáthshaol ar ball. Idir an dá linn, iarraimid oraibh leanúint oraibh leis an tacaíocht agus leis an gcomhoibriú sin go dtí go bhfuil cead againn tús a chur len é sin a dhéanamh. D'eisigh an Roinn Sláinte comhairle nua maidir le dlúth-theagmhálaithe atá i bhfeidhm ón Luan seo chaite, 27ú Meán Fómhair. Tá an chomhairle le fáil ag an nasc seo https://www.gov.ie/en/press-release/b5822-statement-from-the-minister-for-health-on-the-public-health-management-of-cases-andcontacts-and-schools/

The Department of Health issued the guidelines below regarding close contact which came in to effect last Monday 27th September.

- automatic contact tracing of close contacts in childcare facilities and primary education will be discontinued
- testing of asymptomatic close contacts in childcare facilities and primary education will be discontinued
- children aged 12yrs or under, who are identified as close contacts in childcare, educational settings, special education settings or other non-household settings and who are asymptomatic will no longer be required to restrict movements, unless indicated by the local public health team
- children aged 12yrs or under who are identified as household close contacts in household settings will still be required to restrict movements and get tested, regardless of symptomatic status
- public health advice remains that any child aged 12yrs or under who displays symptoms consistent
 with COVID-19 should rapidly self-isolate and not attend school or to socialise until 48 hours after
 they are symptom free



We are very grateful to you all for the co-operation and the support over the past month. We know that some of it is inconvenient but hopefully we can return a little bit to normal life soon and we ask you to continue that support and cooperation until we are able to do so.

Dátaí don Dialann



Beidh an scoil ag críochnú ar 12.00 ar an Aoine 22nd **Deireadh Fómhair.** The pupils will finish at 12 mid-day on Friday 22nd October to facilitate staff training.

Beidh an scoil dúnta don tseachtain 25^ú Deireadh Fómhair don sos lár téarma. We will be closed for mid-term break for the week beginning Monday 25th October.

Sacraimintí Sacraments



Comhghairdeas le Rang a Trí agus a rinne an Chéad Chomaoineach le déanaí agus le Rang a Sé na bliana seo chaite a ghlac le sacraimint an Chóineartaithe an Satharn seo chaite. Táimid an-bhródúil asaibh a pháistí agus sásta go raibh lá deas speisialta agaibh le bhur muintir. Míle buíochas le Múinteoir Seán, Múinteoir Rebecca agus Fr. Seán as

an obair go léir na páistí a eagrú agus le Múinteoir Maria, Ciara Vaughan agus Mary Hetherington as ucht an ceol álainn. Congratulations to pupils

from 3rd Class who made their First Communion recently and to last year's 6th class pupils who received the sacrament of Confirmation last Saturday. We are very proud of you and happy that you had a special day with your families. Míle buíochas le na Múinteoirí and Fr. Seán who prepared the classes so well and to musicians who played and sang so beautifully during the ceremonies.



Rothair & Scútair Bikes & Scooters







Is iontach an rud é líon na bpáistí atá ag teacht ar scoil ar rothair nó ar scutair a fheiceáil ag dul i méid. Iarraimid oraibh a mheabhrú do na daltaí aire a thabhairt i gclós na scoile, bíonn go leor daoine ag siúl ann agus tá baol ann go mbeadh droch timpiste ag duine éigin. It's wonderful to see the number of children cycling/scooting to school increasing. We would however ask that you remind your child not to cycle or scoot in the school yard. There are a lot of people walking and there have been a few near misses. Míle buíochas!

Cúrsaí Ceoil Music Generation Meath

Tá an áthas orainn go bhfuil na ranganna ag glacadh páirt i gclár ceoil le Music Generation Meath. Ba chóir go mbeadh veidhlín ag gach páiste i Rang a 2 – Rang a 6 agus is gá dóibh iad a thógaint ar scoil leo gach Máirt. We are delighted to be taking part in the Music Generation Meath Schools programme this year. Our visiting music teacher has been with all the classes and all pupils in Rang a 2 – Rang a 6 should have received their violin. The children will need to bring their violin with them to school every Tuesday from now on.



An Ghaeilge

Tá teanga na Gaeilge mar chroílár Ghaelscoil ar bith agus tá sé riachtanach go mbeadh meas ag an bpobal scoile uirthi agus bród ag ár bpáistí asti. Ba mhaith linn go mbeadh An Ghaeilge le cloisteáil go flúirseach timpeall na scoile agus tá an-iarracht á dhéanamh ag formhór na daltaí í a labhairt, go háraithe ag bun na scoile. Thug an fhoireann teagaisc faoi deara ar na mallaibh go bhfuil laghdú ann i labhairt na Gaeilge i measc roinnt de na páistí agus ón tseachtain seo chugainn cuirfear tús le córas nua san hardranganna (Rang a 5 & 6) chun dul i ngleicleis an fhadhb seo. Leanfar le na duaiseanna Gaeilgeoir na Seachtainne agus Gaelgeoir na Míosa ach freisin cuirfear tús le córas 'cartaí buí'. Má labhraíonn na páistí Béarla, gan iarracht a dhéanamh Gaeilge a úsáid, gheobhaidh siad cárta buí. Má fhaigheann siad trí chárta bhuí le linn na seachtaine, beidh orthu obair de chineál inteacht a dhéanamh thar an deireadh seachtaine. Nuair a thosaíonn muid seachtain nua, ní bheidh cárta buí ag duine ar bith. Tá sé millteanach tábhachtach go léiríonn na hardranganna sampla maith don chuid eile den scoil.

An Ghaeilge is at the heart of our school. We ask all our pupils to put a special emphasis on using the language when in school - in the yard, in the classroom and with friends. The majority of the pupils make a great effort to do so and it is lovely to hear them speaking to each other as Gaeilge. However, the teaching staff noticed recently that there has been a lack of effort and a fall in spoken Irish amongst some pupils, particularly in the senior classes. With this in mind a new 'yellow card' system will also be introduced in the senior classes (Rang a 5 & 6) from next week. If the children speak English, without attempting to speak Irish, they will receive a yellow card. If they receive three yellow cards during the week they will have some work to do over the weekend. When we start a new week, no one will have a yellow card. It is extremely important that the senior classes show a good example to the other classes in the school. We will of course continue to award Gaeilgeoir na Míosa / Gaelgeoir

na Seachtaine to the children from each class who has made a great effort to use the Irish they have and we will also give a prize to the class who has made the best effort.

Is í beatha teanga í a labhairt!



Sábhailteacht ar bhóithre Road Safety

Leis seo gheobhaidh tú nasc chuig suíomh an Údárás um Sháilbheáilteacht ar bhóithre. Tá go leor eolais anseo daoibhse agus do pháistí faoi shábhálilteacht ar bhóithre. Tá sé tugtha le fios go bhfuil daltaí ag rith amach sa trácht in ionad na soilse & an maor tráchta a úsáid. Tá sé seo thar a bheith dáinséarach. Iarraimis oraibh roinnt ama a thógáil ag labhairt le do chuid pásití féin faoin ábhar seo. Below you will find a link to the Road Safety Authority website. There is plenty of information here for yourselves and your children about road safety. It has been reported that pupils are running out in traffic instead of using the traffic lights or the school warden's services. We would ask that you take the time to discuss this subject with your own children. https://www.rsa.i/en/RSA/Road-Safety/Road-safety-for-kids/

Cúrsaí Spóirt

FUTSAL

Beidh Gaelscoil na Ríthe ag glacadh páirt i scéim speisialta *Futsal* ar feadh sé seachataine go luath. Is Ranganna 1, 2, 3 & 4 a bheidh i gceist. Tá sé an-cosúil le sacar le béim ar scileanna ach beidh sé ar siúl sa chlós (ag brath ar aimsir). Críochnóidh sé lenár gcomórtas féin sa scoil ag an deireadh. Míle buíochas le Múinteoir Pól as ucht seo a eagrú. Gaelscoil na Ríthe's Ranganna 1,2,3 & 4 will take part in a special FAI Futsal pilot programme in the yard (depending on weather) over six weeks. Futsal is very similar to soccer but with most emphasis on practising skills and playing 2v2,3v 3, 4v 4 & 5v 5 games. The course will finish with our own internal competitions in school. Inter school competitions have not yet been confirmed. Many thanks to Richie Smith, the new FAI Development Officer for Meath who is co-ordinating the programme.

Please check out the excellent skills videos on You Tube's FAI Homeskills Channel with 60 simple episodes to choose from. Here is the link FAI Homeskills - YouTube



PEIL GHAELACH agus IOMANAÍOCHT

Tá Pauraic Burke ar ais linn i mbliana ag oibriú ar na scileanna Peil Ghaelacha, beidh Rang a 5 & 6 ag glacadh páirt ar dtús. Chomh maith i mbliana beidh na Naíonáin Mhóra ag glacadh páirt sa chlár 'Camán & Play'. It is great that our Gaelic Development Administrator Pauraic Burke is back with us



this year. To begin with he will be working on football skills with Rang a 5 & 6 and we are also very excited to take part in the 'Camán & Play' programme. This is a fun based, physical activity programme which Rang Naíonán Mhóra will undertake, which introduces children to the skills of hurling, camoige and Gaelic football.

Eolas Tábhachtach Important Points to Remember

ALLÉIRGEACHTAÍ/ ALLERGIES



Ba mhaith linn a chur i gcuimhne daoibh go léir go bhfuil páistí sa scoil le ailléirgeacha, go háirithe do chnónna. Mar sin, iarraimis oraibh gan aon chnónna a chur sa lón. Mile buíochas as ucht bhur dtacaíocht leis seo. We would like to remind you all that there are several children in the school with life threatening nut allergies and as a result, nuts and all nut products are banned from school. Since

this condition can be life threatening, we are asking for your help in minimising the risk to these children and maintaining the school as a nut free zone We thank you for your co-operation with this.

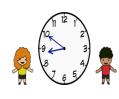
LÓN FOLLÁIN

Ba mhaith linn cur i gcuimhne de gach tuismitheoir faoin bpolasaí 'lón folláin'. Tá cóip de ar shuíomh na scoile. Freisn ní féidir le páistí fanacht istigh ag am lóin ach amháin sa chás go bhfuil a leithead de chos/lámh briste nó i gcás éigeandál eile. We would like to remind all parents of our healthy eating policy. A copy is available on the school website. Pupils are not permitted to stay in at lunch time except in the case of a broken limb or other emergency situations.



CÚRSAÍ PONCÚLACHTA/TINRIMH - ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Ba mhaith liom a chur i gcuimhne do gach duine go bhfuil dualgas reathúil ar pháistí freastal ar scoil. Níor choir páistí a choinneáil sa bhaile ón scoil ach amháin má tá siad tinn. Sa chás go bhfuil do pháiste tinn, is gá scéal a chur ar Aladdin. Tá dualgas ar an scoil tuairisciú chuig TUSLA nuair a chailleann aon pháiste níos mó ná 20 lá. Bíonn míniú le tabhairt chucu chomh maith ar chúiseanna na n-asláithreachtaí. We would like to remind everyone that there is a legal responsibility to ensure children attend school regularly. Children should be kept at home if they are sick (are a close contact or are self-isolating) but should return when they are better. If your child is unable to attend school, please ensure that there is a reason given for the absence on Aladdin and the Return to School Declaration has been completed. The school has a legal obligation to inform TUSLA- Child and Family Agency when a child misses more than 20 day's school. We also have to provide an explanation for those absences.



Tá sé tábhachtach go mbíonn do pháiste ar scoil in am, osclaíotar doirse na scoile ag **8.50r.n.** agus tosaíonn an obair ranga ar **9.10 r.n.** It is also extremely important to ensure that your child is on time for school. While children are not permitted on the school grounds before our doors open at 8.50am. it is important that all pupils are in school by 9.10a.m.