# NUACHTLITIR NA SEACHTAINE

# 28-11-2016

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#### An Snámh / Swimming

Beidh an chéad téarma eile den snámh ag tosú Dé hAoine, an 2 Nollaig. Beidh Rang a 2 & 4 ag

dul ag snámh.

*The next term of swimming will commence on Friday, December 2nd. 2nd*<sup>t</sup> & 4th Class will be going swimming. Please don't forget to have a €1 coin in the swimming bag for the locker.

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#### MMR, Scrúdú Súil agus Scrúdú Cluas

MMR – Naíonáin Bheaga – Dé Máirt, an 29 Samhain Scrúdú Súil – Naíonáin Mhóra - Déardaoin, an 1 Nollaig Scrúdú Cluas Naíonáin Mhóra – Dé Luain, an 9 Eanáir. MMR – Junior Infants – Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> Eye Test – Senior Infants – Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup> Hearing Test – Senior Infants – Monday, January 9<sup>th</sup>



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# Éadaí Scoile/School uniform

An féidir libh a bheith cinnte de go bhfuil na páistí ag caitheamh na héadaí scoile ceart ar fad ar na laethanta cearta. Níor chóir go mbeadh páistí scoile ag caitheamh éadaí spóirt ach amháin an Déardaoin agus an Aoine. Ba cóir go mbeadh bróga/buataisí cearta dubha orthu leis na héadaí scoile freisin. An féidir libh seic a dhéanamh ar na cótaí scoile chun a bheith cinnte de go bhfuil an t-ainm ceart orthu. Tá sé fíor-thábhachtach go bhfuil lipéid ar gach geansaí scoile agus cóta scoile go háirithe.

Please ensure that all children are wearing the full and correct school uniform on the correct days. The school tracksuit should only be worn on Thursdays and Fridays. All children should be wearing black shoes/boots with their school uniform.

Please check all labels on school coats and jumpers to ensure that children are bringing home the correct clothing as some items of clothing are getting mixed up. It is essential that name labels are attached to all school coats and jumpers.

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#### **Turas go Imaginosity**

D'imigh Ranganna na Naíonán Beag go dtí Imaginosity i rith na seachtaine le ceardlann Eolaíochta a dhéanamh. Bhaineadar an-taitneamh as agus bhí gach páiste an-deamhúinte ar fad! Junior and Senior Infants went on trips to Imaginosity this week. They enjoyed a Science Workshop and had a wonderful time. Every child was extremely well behaved. Maith sibh!

## Seó na Nollag/ Christmas Shows

Beidh Seó na Nollag, na Naíonáin Bheaga – Rang a 2, ar siúl i rith an lae an 8 Nollaig san Áras. Tá fáilte roimh na tuismitheoirí/caomhnóirí agus seantuistí ar fad. <u>Iarraim oraibh imeacht tar éis</u> <u>seó do pháiste ionas go bhfuil spás ann do thuistí eile.</u> Tuigim go mbeidh ar thuistí áirithe teacht tar ais do sheónna difriúla. Beidh Rang difiriúil ar an stáitse gach leath uair a chloig ó 11 – 13:30. Rachaidh na páistí ar fad ar ais chuig an seomra ranga tar éis an tseó.

Beidh Seó na Nollag, Rang a 3-6, ar siúl an 15 Nollaig ag a 7 a chlog i gColáiste Chilliain.

<u>Clár Ama an 8 Nollaig/Timetable on December 8th:</u> 11:00 – Rang An Mhúinteora Sharon

# 11:30 – Rang An Mhúinteora Eimear 12:00 – Rang An Mhúinteora Dhonncha 12:30 – Rang An Mhúinteora Shinéad Ní Dhurcáin 13:00 – Rang a 1 13:30 – Rang a 2

The Junior Christmas show for Junior Infants – 2<sup>nd</sup> Class will take place on December 8<sup>th</sup> during the school day in the Áras. All parents/guardians and grandparents are welcome to attend. The shows will be staggered to facilitate all parents and to allow for traffic to leave and arrive. <u>We</u> would ask parents to exit their seats after their child/children's show to accommodate for other parents as space will be tight. We understand that some parents will need to come back for different shows.

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*The Senior Christmas Show for 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> classes will take place on December 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in Coláiste Chilliain. All are welcome!* 

Cabhraigh le do pháiste réiteach don seó trí chleachtadh a dhéanamh leo sa bhaile. *Please* help your child to prepare for the show by practicing any lines with them at home.

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# Naomh Uinseann de Pól agus Daoine Áitiúil gan Dídean

Tá dhá rud eagraithe ag an scoil don Nollaig do dhaoine áitiúla. Is féidir libh rud amháin a roghnú má tá suim agaibh ach níl aon bhrú ar dhaoine. Is bealach maith le léiriú do na páistí go mbíonn daoine ag fulaingt ag an Nollaig agus gur féidir linn cabhair a thabhairt dóibh. *There are two* collections organised for the Christmas period – St Vincent de Paul food appeal and the Clondalkin Homeless shoebox appeal. Parents can choose which charity they wish to support. There is no pressure to contribute to either appeal however. We find these collections increase the children's awareness of those less fortunate than themselves at Christmas, as well as helping valuable and local causes.

#### Naomh Uinseann de Pól/St Vincent de Paul food appeal

Tá an scoil ag eagrú bailiúchán bia idir seo agus an 7 Nollaig. Beidh an bia ag dul ar aghaidh go dtí an cumann áitiúil d'eagraíocht Naomh Uinseann de Pól. Seol isteach cannaí, boscaí agus bia eile neamh-mheatacha le bhur dtoil.

*We are collecting food for the local Saint Vincent de Paul between now and the 7<sup>th</sup> of December. Please send in any food in cans, packages or other non-perishable foods.* 

Daoine áitiúla gan Dídean/ The homeless in Clondalkin shoebox Appeal

Tá an scoil ag bailiú fearas do na daoine áitiúla atá gan dídean an tseachtain seo chomh maith. Is féidir libh boscaí bróga le héadaí do dhuine éigin (fear, bean nó páiste – do rogha!) a sheoladh isteach roimh an 7 Nollaig chomh maith.

The school is also collecting for the Clondalkin Homeless at the moment.

"We are looking for people to put a few bits in for the shoe box appeal. If they can put the age on the box, from babies to toddlers, to teenagers to adults. A gift shoe box can make a huge difference to people. It could be a range of things, baby rattles, teddy bears, toddlers books, toys, books and games for teens, and books and CDs for adults. Last year we helped a lot of families. This year we are hopeful to be able to help as many if not more."

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Beidh roinnt páistí scoile ag canadh Carúil na Nollag in AIB Dé Máirt, 20 Nollaig ag 10:30am. Is féidir leis na páistí hataí Nollag a chaitheamh ar an lá sin. A group of school children will be Carol Singing in AIB on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 10:30am. The children can bring in Santa hats on the day to wear if they wish.

Beimid ag dúnadh le haghaidh laethanta saoire na Nollag Déardaoin, an 22 Nollaig ag a 12:00. We will be closing for our Christmas holidays on Thursday, December 22nd at 12:00.

Caoimhe de Búrca Príomhoide

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Cairde Camóige

Minutes of meeting: 23/11/16

Attendees: Nuala Burke June Whelan Michelle Ui H Patricia Ui Uallachain Mary Ui Laocha Joanne Ui Raghallaigh Amy Moore Rita Ni Fionnagain Myra McDermott Miriam Ui Chonchuir Susan Carr Leonie Finnegan Fiona Condron

Caoimhe de Búrca

Apologies: Ann O'Hare Pamela Quinlan Joanne Moore Julie McAdam Denae Heffernan

Accounts Update: There is currently a balance of €7300 in the Cairde account.

Christmas Cards:

The children's Christmas cards are due to arrive on Monday. As school is closed that day, the children will bring them home in their bags on Tuesday or Wednesday.

Some parents are owed change from the card orders, this will be returned in the envelope with the sample cards, until the cards have been delivered. If any parent would like their change sooner, please speak to Amanda or Tracey in the yard.

# Christmas Plays:

Caoimhe spoke about the Christmas plays, which are scheduled for Thursday, 8th December, from 11am in the Aras, for Naionain Bheaga to Rang a Do, and for Thursday, 15th December, from 7pm to 9pm, in Colaiste Chilliain, for Rang a Tri to Rang a Se. The charge for the junior play is €2 per adult (children attend free of charge), and €5 per adult for the senior play (the higher cost is because sound and lighting must be paid for in Colaiste Chilliain).

The junior plays will last approximately ten to fifteen per class, with the schedule as follows:

11.00 Muinteoir Sharon's class 11.30 Muinteoir Eimear's class

12.00 Muinteoir Donncha's class

12.30 Muinteoir Sinead's class

1.00 Rang a hAon

1.30 Rang a Do

The children will return to school after their play, and parents are asked to stay only for their children's show, as space will be limited. Parents are also asked not to park in the Aras car park.

Parents are encouraged to remain for the entirety of the senior show in Colaiste Chilliain.

School calendars will be on sale at the shows extra calendars have been ordered this year, as they sold out last year. There will also be a raffle at the senior show, anyone who might have any prizes to donate is encouraged to contact the committee ladies.

Prices for calendars

7 euro for 1

12 euro for 2

15 euro for 3

### Bag Packing:

Parents are urged to volunteer to help with bag packing in Dunnes in the Mill Centre, on Friday, 2nd December, from 5pm until 9, and on Saturday, 3rd, from 10am until 6pm. A volunteer is needed for eight tills, packing for slots of an hour and a half, so lots of help is needed. Leonie Finnegan is compiling a rota for packing, please contact her, or any of the committee ladies, if you can spare some time. Any help is deeply appreciated.

Volunteers will be provided with large white buckets with the school name, and a jersey from the girls' team. Santa hats are optional!

### Aistear Boxes:

Most of the items required for the Aistear Boxes has been procured, however, seasonal items can only be purchased at certain times of the year. Christmas items are currently being sought, Cairde will buy most of these, but a wish list may be circulated also.

National Parents' Council (NPC):

Gaelscoil Na Camoige has recently joined the National Parents' Council, which is a

countrywide parents' association. The NPC run seminars around the country, which parents can attend for free, or for a nominal charge (which Cairde will pay?). They also hold talks at the school, on topics such as preventing and handling bullying, and supporting parents with mental wellbeing and relationships.

The NPC are holding an information session on Internet Safety, on Tuesday, 29th November, from 7.30pm to 9.30pm, at the Maldron Hotel at Newland's Cross. All parents are welcome to attend, and admission is free.

## Buses for Football Matches:

Parents have been enquiring about transport to matches taking place a good distance from the school. Amanda will discuss this with Múinteoir Donncha and will get prices for bus hire.

It was noted that athletics will begin soon, and that Friday, 25th November, is the final swimming session for Rang a Tri and Rang a Cuig. The next classes to attend swimming classes are Rang a Do and Rang a Ceathar.

## School Lunches:

Gaelscoil Na Camoige and Gaelscoil Cluain Dolcain are the only schools in the village not in receipt of free school lunches. Our school is going to apply to the Department of Social Protection, which is responsible for allocating the relevant funding, and stipulating the days the school receives lunches, for this service.

## School building update:

Caoimhe noted the new school building has passed Stage 2A of development, and is hoped to be completed by 2018. Parents are reminded that a draft of the plans are available for viewing in the school window. The middle school in the plan is the new Gaelscoil Na Camoige.

Naionain Bheaga children will be receiving their MMR injection next Tuesday, 29th November. A text was sent to all parents; anyone not receiving texts from school is asked to contact the office.

# Parents are reminded that school will closed on Monday, 28th November, due to teacher training.

Gaelscoil Na Camoige is delighted to support two worthy charity drives this Christmas. We are collecting items for St Vincent de Paul, a list went home in the childrens' bags. Items can be taken into class, or dropped off at the office. Alternatively, there will a table set up in the yard next week to receive items. If you didn't get a copy of the list, please contact us, or Eilis in the office.

We are also collecting shoeboxes for the homeless. Again, the list sent home suggests suitable items to include. Please mark whether your box is for a man, woman, or child, and for a boy or girl, and the child age group.

Many thanks for your support.

The date for the next Cairde meeting is provisionally booked for Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> January at 7pm in Áras Chrónáin