## Gaelscoil na Camóige

#### Nuachtlitir, 6 Meán Fómhair 2022

# Fáilte romhaibh!

Tá fearradh na fáilte romhaibh ar fad ar ais don scoilbhliain nua seo. Táim cinnte de go mbeidh bliain iontach againn faoi mar a bhíonn gach aon bhliain i nGaelscoil na Camóige. Tá súil agam go raibh samhradh maith ag gach duine agus go bhfuilimid ar fad réidh le bliain úr thaitneamhach thairbhreach a bheith againn. Cuirim fáilte ar leith roimh na naíonáin nua i Rang an Mhúinteora Clíodhna. Tá fáilte ar leith freisin roimh an Múinteoir Kellie, an Múinteoir Emily agus an Cúntóir nua, Cáit Nic Cathail Riabhaigh. Tá áthas orm a chur in iúil daoibh go bhfuil Cúntóir Marcus Ó Cadáin ar ais linn arís i mbliana chomh maith. Bhí brón orainn slán a fhágáil leis an Múinteoir Sinéad Ní Dhurcáin ag deireadh na bliana seo chaite. Bhog Sinéad abhaile go Maigh Eo, agus guímid gach rath uirthi sa todhchaí.

Táimid ag súil go mór le bliain álainn agus ghníomhach a bheith againn.

A hearty welcome back to one and all. I hope that everyone had a great summer and that we are all well rested and ready for an enjoyable and fruitful new school year. A special welcome to our new Junior Infants who began the school journey last week in Múinteoir Clíodhna's class. A special welcome also to our new teachers, Múinteoir Kellie and Múinteoir Emily, and also our new SNA Cáit Nic Cathail Riabhaigh. We are delighted to welcome SNA Marcus Ó Cadáin back again this year. We were sorry to bid farewell to Múinteoir Sinéad Ní Dhurcáin at the end of last school year. Sinéad has moved home to Mayo and we wish her the very best of luck in her new school.

I am sure that we will have a wonderful, exciting year in Gaelscoil na Camóige.

# An Fhoireann/ Staff

#### Múinteoirí Scoile

- Na Naíonáin Bheaga an Múinteoir Clíodhna
- Na Naíonáin Mhóra- an Múinteoir Bríd
- Rang 1- an Múinteoir Sharon agus an Múinteoir Sinéad
- Rang 2- an Múinteoir Niamh
- Rang 3- an Múinteoir Sandra
- Rang 4- an Múinteoir Kellie
- Rang 5- an Múinteoir Caitríona
- Rang 5 an Múinteoir Laura

		Rang 6- an Múinteoir Eimear	
		An Fhoireann Oideachas Speisialta-an Múinteoir Shauna, an Múinteoir Emily, an	
		Múinteoir Sorcha	
		Cuntóirí Ranga- Bríd Cinsealach, Cáit Nic Cathail Riabhaigh agus Marcus Ó Cadáin	
Rúnaí- Kathy Uí Chonbhuí		Rúnaí- Kathy Uí Chonbhuí	
		Feighlí Scoile- Fergus Ó Broin	
	Glaoch an Rolla/ Roll call	Glaonn gach múinteoir ranga an rolla ag 9.50am. Aon duine atá istigh tar éis an ama seo beidh siad cláraithe, as láthair, ar an lá sin. The roll is called at 9.50am every morning.  Any children who arrive later than this time are marked absent on the roll.	
-	Leabhair Scoile/ School Books	Tá sé riachtanach go mbeidh gach leabhar scoile ag gach páiste, iad clúdaithe agus le lipéid orthu roimh dheireadh na seachtaine. It is essential that every child has all of their schoolbooks, covered and labeled on or before this Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>	
	Bille Scoile/Aladdi	Tá bille scoile seolta go thuistí/ caomhnóirí. Iarrtar ar thuistí an bille a íoc ina n-iomlán roimh nó ar <b>Dé hAoine 28 Deireadh Fomhair</b> . Má tá fadhb ag tuiste ar bith, is féidir teacht i dteagmháil leis an oifig, 4576878 nó oifig@gsnc.ie le seo a phlé go rúnda.	
	n	The school bill 22/23, was issued to all parents/guardians. We ask that this bill is paid in full on or before, <b>Friday 28th October 2022</b> through Aladdin. If there are any problems with the payment of the bill, please do not hesitate to contact the office, 4576878 or oifig@gsnc.ie, in strict confidence.	
-	Lón Sláintiúil/ Healthy Lunch Policy	Tá an-chuid cainte na laethanta seo faoin mbia a thugar dár bpáistí le hithe. Mar is eol daoibh tá polasaí lóin shláintiúil againn i nGaelscoil na Camóige le fada an lá. <b>Níl cead ag páistí aon bhia nó deoch nach bhfuil sláintiúil a thabhairt ar scoil. Níl cead acu aon chnónna a thabhairt isteach</b> ach an oiread. Seo liosta den bhia nach bhfuil ceadaithe. Má tá tú amhrasach faoi aon rud eile labhair leis an oifig nó cur nóta chuig an Múinteoir Ranga le do thoil. There is a lot of talk these days about what we are feeding our children. At Gaelscoil na Camóige we have a successful healthy lunch policy in operation for some years now. Children are only permitted to bring drinks and foods to	
		school that are healthy. Food containing nuts are also not permitted. If you are unsure of any foods please do not hesitate to check with the office or with the class	

teacher. Below is a list of foods that are not permitted. Barraí gránaigh / Cereal bars Brioscaí d'aon saghas/Biscuits of any type Píotsa / Pizza Muifíní / Muffins Glóthach le siúcra/ Jelly made with sugar Criospaí/crisps, pretzals, poparbhar / popcorn Fruit winders Croissants le seacláid/chocolate croissants Rollóg ispíní/sausage rolls Ispíní/sausages Dairylea lunchables/ Dairylea Dunkers/ cheese strings Seacláid/*Chocolate* Milseáin/sweets Muller corners le seacláid, mionbhruar, briosca/Muller corners with chocolate/crumble,biscuit Cnónna/nuts Leathán seacláide/chocolate spread • Deochanna súilíneach/fizzy drinks Sunny D/ Capri Sun Vaiféal milis/ Sweet waffles Clárama Luan/ *Monday* 5/9/22-Aoine/ *Friday* 9/9 /22: **8.50am-12.00** Naíonáín Bheaga/ 12 Meán Fómhair ar aghaidh- gnáth lá 8.50am- 1.30pm/ 12th September onwardsnormal time of 8.50am-1.30pm Junior Infant **Timetable** Nithe Caillte/ Sa chaoi is nach mbeidh éadaí srl. caillte ag na páistí cuirigí a n-ainmneacha ar gach aon rud a thógann siad ar scoil. To avoid lost clothing etc. please put your child's name on **Lost Items** everything that s/he brings to school. An Clós Níl madraí ceadaithe ar chlós na scoile, ach amháin madraí treorach. Dogs, except Guide dogs, are not permitted on the school yard. Níl cead ag tuistí/ caomhnóirí, fanacht ar chlós na scoile ar maidin. Iarrtar oraibh na páistí a fhágáil ar an gclós, agus an clós a fhágáil láithreach le bhur dtola. Anuas ar sin,

níl cead ag daoine fanacht timpeall teach an Áras ar maidin.

Parents/ guardians are not permitted to stay on the school yard in the mornings. Please drop your child to the yard and leave. We also remind parents not to stay around the front of the Áras/ on the driveway etc. in the morning time. Supervision is provided on the yard every morning.

Tá lán fáilte roimh thuistí agus páistí óga fanacht i gclós na scoile ag 1.25i.n. Tá sé riachtanach, áfach, go bhfanfaidh na páistí lena dtuismitheoirí thuas ag an ngeata go ciúin. Bíonn ceachtanna ar siúl sna seomraí agus cuireann an torann isteach ar na páistí istigh. Níl cead ag páistí dul taobh thiar de sheomraí aon rang, am ar bith. Parents and siblings are welcome to wait in the yard at 1.25pm for the infants to finish. However, it is essential that children wait quietly with their parents near the gate as classes are still continuing and the noise on the yard can be disruptive. Children are not allowed go behind any class buildings at any time. Children are not allowed cycle bikes or scooters across the yard.

#### **Brat Glas**

Tá áthas orm a chur in iúil daoibh go mbeidh an Múinteoir Sorcha ag tabhairt faoin mBrat Ghlas i mbliana. Beidh coiste i bhfeidhm go luath. Táimid ag súil go mór leis an 5ú Bhrat a bhaint amach!

I am delighted that Gaelscoil na Camóige, under the guidance of Múinteoir Sorcha, will be working towards our 5<sup>th</sup> Green Flag this year. A committee of adults and children will be up and running in the coming weeks, and we hope to add to our collection of Green Flags to date!

### Féilire 22/23

- 1 Meán Fómhair/ 1st September ar ais ar scoil/ back to school
- 31 D.F 4 Samhain 31st Oct. 4th November. Briseadh Meán Téarma/ Mid Term Break
- 21 Nollaig, leath lá don Nollaig 21st Dec. half-day for Christmas Holidays
- 22 Nollaig 4 Eanáir Laethanta Saoire/ 22nd Dec- 4th January- Christmas Hol.
- 5 Eanáir ar ais 5<sup>th</sup> January, back to school
- 6 Feabhra 6th February- Lá Saoire Bainc/ Bank Holiday
- 16 + 17 Feabhra/16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> February Briseadh Meán Téarma/ Midterm break
- 17 Márta/17<sup>th</sup> March Lá Fhéile Pádraig
- 31 Márta/ 31st March leath lá laethanta saoire/ Half Day for Easter Break
- 3 Aibreán 14 Aibreán / 3<sup>rd</sup> April 14<sup>th</sup> April Easter Break

17 Aibreán/April 17th ar ais ar scoil/ back to school

1 & 2 Bealtaine / 1st & 2nd May Bank Holiday

5 & 6 Meitheamh 5th & 6th June Bank Holiday

28 Meitheamh/ 28th June Leathlá/ Half Day for Summer Holidays

# Club larscoile/ AfterSchool Club

Beidh an Bord Bainistíochta ag plé an cheist faoi Club Iarscoile a chur i bhfeidhm i mbliana, ag deireadh na míosa. Bheinn ag súil go mbeidh scéal agam maidir le clubanna i ndiaidh am scoile roimh dheireadh Téarma 1. The Board of Management will be discussing the question of an After School club at the next meeting, at the end of September. I hope to have more information regarding afterschool clubs by the end of Term 1.

## **Spórt**

#### Peil/Football

Beidh an peil ag tosnú go luath! Football season is upon us again.

**1.** Bliots Peile, eagraithe ag Shane Treanor ó Chumann na Chloigthí: Céadaoin agus Déardaoin seo dona buachaillí agus cailíní.

Football Blitz has been arranged by Shane Treanor, from Round Towers GAA Club this <u>Wednesday and Thursday (7th & 8th September) for boys and girls.</u>

Buachaillí R4-R6, Dé Céadaoin ar Bhóthar na Mainistreach ag **9.30am**. Beidh na buachaillí ag siúl chuig an bPáirc le Múinteoir Caitríona agus an Múinteoir Emily. Boys  $(4^{\text{th}} - 6^{\text{th}})$  on Wednesday on the Astro on Monastery Road. Their match will be at **9.30 a.m**. The boys will be walking from the school to the pitch with Múinteoirí Caitríona and Emily. They will return to school after the match.

Cailíní R4-R6, Déardaoin, ar Bhóthar na Mainistreach ag 1.00i.n.Siúlfaidh na cailíní thuas leis an Múinteoir Clíodhna agus an Cúntóir Cáit.

Girls Football Blitz,  $(4^{th} - 6^{th})$  on Thursday on the Astro at Monastery Road. Their match will start at <u>1pm</u>. The girls will walk from the school with Múinteoir Clíodhna and Cúntóir Cáit. They will also return to school after the match and can be collected there at 2.30p.m.

All children need to have appropriate gear for the match (shorts, socks, boots and a gum shield.) Your child will not be allowed to come to the game if they do not have a gum shield.

#### 2. Training

Beidh traenáil ag tosú an tseachtain den 12ú Meán Fómhair.

Training will begin on the week of  $12^{\text{\tiny th}}$  of September for all boys and girls from  $3^{\text{\tiny th}}$  to  $6^{\text{\tiny th}}$  class. Training will take place on the school grounds.

Girls – Every Monday from 2.30 – 3.30 Boys – Every Tuesday from 2.30 – 3.30

#### 3. <u>Cumann na mBunscol</u>

Cumann na mBunscol have three competitions this year:

- Girls Senior
- Boys Senior
- Boys Go Games U11

As there is only a Girls Senior team competition, we will not be able to bring  $3^{-1}$  class pupils to our matches, but we do encourage them to come to training and get to know some of the girls they will play with the following year.

The **Boys Go Games** will include boys from **5**<sup>th</sup> (**depending on their age**), **4**<sup>th</sup> **and 3**<sup>rd</sup> **class**.

The *Boys Senior team* will include boys from **4**<sup>th</sup>, **5**<sup>th</sup> and **6**<sup>th</sup> class.

A Thuilleadh Eolais le teacht ón Múinteoir Clíodhna

More information to follow from Múinteoir Clíodhna

# Snámh/ Swimming

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Beidh páistí Rang a 3 agus Rang 5 (Múinteoir Caitríona) ag tosnú snámh ar an Aoine seo, 9ú Meán Fómhair.

 $3^{rd}$  Class and  $5^{th}$  Class, Múinteoir Caitríona, will be starting their swimming lessons this Friday, the  $9^{th}$  September.

#### Rince/Irish Dancing

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Beidh Rita ar ais linn ar an Déardaoin seo le ceachtanna rince a dhéanamh le gach rang! Bíonn na ceachtanna ar an gclós nó sa halla, ag brath ar an aimsir. Baineann na páistí ansult as an rince le Rita! We are delighted that Rita will be back with us for Irish Dancing classes this Thursday. The lessons will take place on the yard or in the Scout's Hall, depending on the weather. All classes enjoy the dancing with Rita!

# Foirmeacha Eolais/ Information Forms

Mar is eol daoibh tá na foirmeacha eolais seolta abhaile ag Kathy. Tá siad le bheith ar ais ag an scoil roimh nó ar an <u>Aoine 9 Meán Fómhair</u>.

Tá sé riachtanch go líonfar na foirmeacha seo go h-iomlán. Má ghlacann do pháiste leigheas nó análóir, deán cinnte de, cead scríofa a thabhairt don mhúinteoir ranga an leigheas seo a thabhairt más gá.

The children have received their pink Information Forms. These forms must be completed and returned no later than **Friday 9**<sup>th</sup> **September**.

It is essential that these forms are completed in full.

If your child takes medication or an inhaler, written permission is required for the class teacher to administer this.

Please arrange to meet the class teacher if your child has a medical condition and discuss and permit the teacher to administer medication.

## Bord Bainistíochta na Scoile

#### Bord Bainistíochta na Scoile reatha/ Our School Board of Management members:

An Cathaoirleach/ The Chairperson: Caimin Ó Catháin

An Príomhoide/ The Principal: Aoife Ní Raghallaigh

Ionadaí an Phatrúin/ Patrons' Representative: Mícheál Mac Adhaimh

Ionadaithe Tuismitheoirí/ Parents' Representative: Damien de Búrca & Fiona de Brún

Ionadaí Múinteora/ Teachers' Representative: Clíodhna Esslemont

Ionadaithe an Phobail/ Community Representative: Máire Uí Bhroin & Lorcán Ó Dúnaigh

# Oideachas Speisialta / Learning Support 22/23

Is iad Múinteoir Sorcha, Múinteoir Shauna agus Múinteoir Emily an fhoireann Oideachas Speisialta i mbliana. Tá siad ag oibriú go dian le tús a chur le clár tacaíochta tríd na scoile. Beidh siad ag seoladh litreacha agus eolas amach tríd ríomhphost i mbliana. Coinnígí súil ar na ríomhphostanna agus déanaigí cinnte de foirmeacha eolais maidir le do pháiste, a sheoladh ar ais go luath.

The Learning Support Team in the school this year are, Múinteoir Sorcha, Múinteoir Shauna and Múinteoir Emily. They are working hard to implement our Support

Programme as soon as possible. This will be a combination of In-Class Support, Team Teaching, Group Work and Individual Work. The team will be issuing information and forms in the next few days by email to parents. Please keep an eye out for these and return the forms asap.

# Cead Fágála/ Permission to leave

Tá cead ag páistí ó R3 siúl abhaile lena siblíní ó R4-R6, ag am dul abhaile, ach caithfear an cead seo a chur chuig na scoile tríd Aladdin/ríomhphost.

Children from  $3^{rd}$  Class are permitted to walk home at home time, with older siblings in  $4^{th}$ - $6^{th}$ , however, this permission must be granted by parents via aladdin/email.

Please inform the school if your child is permitted to walk home with an older sibling.

Tá cead ag páistí R4, R5 agus R6 siúl abhaile leo féin, ach tá an cead seo ag teastáil tríd Aladdin/ ríomhphost.

Permission is required to allow children from 4<sup>th</sup>- 6<sup>th</sup> Class leave the school yard, at home time, without a parent. This permission must be given through Aladdin/email.

#### **CAIRDE**

Fáilte ar ais gach duine to a new year! We hope that everyone is settling back in and we hope that this year will be as good to us in the school as our last! Agus fáilte ar leith roimh na páistí nua i Naíonáin Bheaga. We have no doubt that Múinteoir Clíodhna has some exciting things planned for you all and you will have a fantastic introduction to our lovely school. As parents / guardians of these infants, you have all automatically become members of Cairde... Congrats!

We are happy to confirm that this year Cairde are a Committee of 4 as follows;

**Chair** - Aoife Hogan (páiste in N.Mhóra)

Vice Chair - Heather McNabb (páiste in N. Mhóra)

Treasurer - Joe Nugent (páiste in N. Bheaga)

Committee member - Laura Pisani (páiste in N. Bheaga)

Our chair from last year, Julie De Búrca, is remaining on as part of the extended Cairde Sub Team for continuity, for which we are extremely grateful. We also have a further 3 parents on our SubTeam so all in all we have a strong committed Team.

We have had volunteers for Class Reps (Class Liaison Persons) and CLP's have already set up / renamed their groups. Your CLP's for this year are as follows;

Naíonáin Bheaga Naíonáin Mhóra Bernie Wall Karen Hart

Rang 1

Stephanie Barcoe

Rang 2	Mairead Lynch
Rang 3	Maria Downey
Rang 4	Rachel Johnson
Rang 5 L	Fiona Condron
Rang 5 C	Amanda Rogers
Rang 6	Avril Hurley

\*Please find below the Code of Conduct for the Cairde Whatsapp. These have already been circulated through your CLP. It is important that this is read and understood so that the whatsapp groups are used properly and we are all kept informed and not inundated with unnecessary texts.

We are excited to get stuck into fundraising for the year ahead, but first let's remind ourselves of the success of last year's endeavours, in particular our Summer Fundraiser which raised a whopping €8,650 alone thanks to all of your wonderful generosity! This will go hugely towards an injection into the Sensory resources within the school, among other things. We are looking forward to researching what is needed and finding out what exciting products there are out there and will keep you all posted in Newsletters to come.

We will announce a date for our first open Cairde meeting of the year soon. We hope some of you can attend.

As always, should you like to get in touch, please email us at cairdecamoige@gmail.com

That's all for now, but with loads more exciting things to come!

Tabhair aire,

Your Cairde Team

#### Cairde Whatsapp Rules and Regs

# (These rules were discussed and agreed to with the Cairde officers, CLP's and the school in 2019)

- This whatsapp is created by parents, and is separate to the school and to the Board of Management. The Board of Management does not accept responsibility for any messages posted.
- CLP Whatsapp group is a forum to share factual information about Cairde fundraising and day to day advice.
- It is not a forum for complaint.
- Whatsapp is not to be used to share photos, animations, GIFs
- Children's or teacher's names must not be used
- -It is an app for information only. Opinions or comparisons must not be shared.
- The information provided is from parent to parent. This information may not be accurate and is not the official form of communication used by the school. The Aladdin App is the school's official means of communication.
- It is every individual parent's decision to be on Whatsapp. It is not obligatory.
- Whatsapp can be used to share information about such things as school activities, queries about uniform, school tours, etc
- Be mindful of the time/day whatsapp messages are posted.
- Always contact the school for any urgent concerns
- -Remember to be respectful when posting messages. The forum is for sharing factual information only. If a conversation develops with a negative tone, the Admin will have no choice other than to close down the comments.
- Comparing children's work on Whatsapp is not permitted. This causes stress amongst parents. Children develop and grow at their own pace. Any concerns about your child's progress should always be brought to the class teacher.
- Whatsapp is a very useful tool, and is helpful in our busy lives. However, we should not rely too heavily on it. If mistakes are made, i.e. child goes to school in tracksuit rather than uniform in error, this is part of life and occasional mistakes are ok. We all learn from mistakes.
- Whatsapp may make life easier at times, but it is not essential.

Is mise le meas,

Aoife Ní Raghallaigh

Príomhoide

