

Gaelscoil na Camóige

Nuachtlitir, 4 Nollaig 2023

Laethanta Saoire/ Christmas Holidays

Beimid ag fáil laethanta saoire na Nollag ar an Aoine, an **22 Nollaig** ag 12.00. (R1- R6).

Beidh ranaganna na Naíonáin ag críochnú ag 11.50 ar an lá.

*We will be closing for our Christmas holidays on Friday, **December 22nd** at 12.00 (1st- 6th Class).*

Infant Classes will finish at 11.50 that day.

Hataí Scoile/ School Hats

Leis an aimsir fuar, déanaigí cinnte de go bhfuil cóta trom agus hata ag do pháiste. Is féidir hataí scoile a cheannach ar www.schoolwearhouse.ie ar phraghas €10.95

<https://schoolwearhouse.ie/product/gaelscoil-na-camogie-hat/>

With the cold weather, it is essential that every child has a warm coat and a hat for the yard.

FYI- School hats can be purchased at www.schoolwearhouse.ie €10.95 if parents wish.

<https://schoolwearhouse.ie/product/gaelscoil-na-camogie-hat/>

Ceardlann Frith Bhulaíocht/ Anti Bullying Workshops

Is cúis áthais dom a chur in iúil daoibh go bhfuil cuairteoir, Pat Forde, ag teacht chuig na scoile le réimsí ceardlainne a chur ar siúl do pháistí ranganna 3- 6 i Mí Márta. Mo bhuíochas le CAIRDE atá ag íoc as an gceardlann- a thuilleadh eolais ar www.stopthebully.ie.

Oibreoidh Pat le R3- R6, ag caitheamh píosa ama leis an topiac- “Ag bogadh go dtí an Meánscoil” le R6. Cuirtear na ceardlainn seo ar fáil, mar chuid den Pholasáí Frithbhulaíocht, de réir mar a dhéantar dianiarracht timpeallacht cháirdiúil a chruthú, áit le h-iompair cineálta, comh-mheasach a spreagadh i gcónaí. Beidh Pat Forde ag cur Oíche Eolais ar siúl do thuimitheoirí/ caomhnóirí comh maith- Dáta le Cinntiú. . Iarrtar ar thuiste amháin ó gach teaghlaigh freastail ar an oíche seo. A thuilleadh eolais le teacht.

I am delighted to say that CAIRDE is funding various workshops by Pat Forde, www.stopthebully.ie in March next year. These workshops will be taking place for 3rd- 6th Class children. “Transitioning to Secondary school” will also be a part of the 6th Class session. These workshops are in line with our Anti-Bullying Policy as we strive to promote a caring environment where kind behaviour and mutual respect is encouraged. Pat Forde will also facilitate a Parents Talk on the topic of Bullying-

Fón Cliste/ Smart Phones

Date to be confirmed. We ask that at least 1 parent from every family attend. Further details on the Parent's Talk will follow.

Ar 7 Samhain d'fhoilsigh An t-Aire Oideachais Norma Foley polasaí na Roinne, le cabhrú le tuismitheoirí gan fón cliste a cheannach do pháistí bunscoile. Tá treoirlínte ar fáil anois do thuismitheoirí agus molaim an doiciméad ceangailte a léamh.

Beidh CAIRDE ag féachaint ar an bpolasaí seo an bhliain seo chugainn- a thuilleadh eolais le teacht.

<https://www.gov.ie/pdf/?file=https://assets.gov.ie/275878/513c9972-e543-4e92-ab76-405a9504042b.pdf#page=null>

Agus an Nollaig ag teacht, tá seans go mbeidh páistí ag lorg Fón Cliste don Nollaig. Tá sé riachtanach go dtuigtear conas do pháiste a choinneáil slán sábháilte agus iad ar líne.

Moltar srianta a chur i bhfeidhm, agus úsáideann roinnt tuismitheoirí acmhainní ar nós Family Link chun bac a chur le hábhair míoiriúnach atá ar fáil ar líne.

<https://families.google/familylink/>

Ta eolas breise ar fáil do thuismitheoirí ar

www.webwise.ie

Bigí eolach go moltar go bhfuil páiste ar a laghad 13 bliain d'aois chun dul i ngleic le Whatsapp, Snapchat, Tiktok srl..

Tá sé fíor-thábhachtach go ndéanann tuismitheoirí seic ar fón/ ipad/ taibléad a bpáiste gach lá, le cinntiú go bhfuil iompair agus cumarsáid oiriúnach ar siúl.

On 7th November, the Minister for Education, Norma Foley launched the Government's policy to encourage parents to avoid buying smartphones for primary school-aged children. The guidelines are now available for parents.

<https://www.gov.ie/pdf/?file=https://assets.gov.ie/275878/513c9972-e543-4e92-ab76-405a9504042b.pdf#page=null>

CAIRDE will be looking at this document in detail early next year. More information to follow.

With Christmas approaching, some children may be asking for Smartphones. It is essential that we are all aware of the dangers and we do our best to keep children safe online.

Restrictions should be put in place for your child. Many parents use Family link to restrict inappropriate content and to manage screen time.

<https://families.google/familylink/>

More information can be found on www.webwise.ie.

The age for consent for Whatsapp, Snapchat, Tiktok etc is 13 years of age.

Parents should check their child's phone/ ipad/ tablet regularly to ensure that communication and behaviour is appropriate.

**Béilí Scoile Te
Hot School
Meals Scheme**

**Seirbhís
Charúil/ Carol
Service**

We urge all parents/ guardians to teach their child how to behave online, to check online usage regularly and to monitor messages etc..

Is cúis áthais dom a chur in iúil daoibh gur éirigh le Gaelscoil na Camóige lena n-iarratas don Scéim Béilí Scoile Te. Beidh lón te ar fáil do gach páiste scoile mar chuid den scéim seo. Táimig luath sa phroiseas, ach beidh a thuilleadh eolais ar fáil ar ball.

I am delighted to announce that Gaelscoil na Camóige were successful in applying for the Hot School Meals Scheme. This scheme provides a hot meal for every child and we are at the early stages of the process.

More information to follow

Our Christmas Carol Service will take place in the church in Knockmitten on Tuesday, December 19th and all are welcome.

The Timetable

Junior Infants & Senior Infants, 11:30 am - 12.00 at Knockmitten church. (The children can be brought home from the church on the day).

Rang 1 & Rang 2, 12:00 pm- 12.30pm at Knockmitten church. (The children can be brought home from the church on the day).

Rang 3- Rang 6, 1:00 pm- 2.00pm at Knockmitten church. (The children can be brought home from the church on the day).

All Times are approximate

We ask that all children bring a Santa Hat to school with them before the end of next week, with their name on it and their teacher will give them out, to wear at the Carol Service. Please practice the songs at home.

Beidh Seirbhís Charúil againn sa séipéal i gCnoc Mitin Dé Máirt, an 19 Nollaig agus tá fáilte roimh chách.

Clárana

Naíonáin Bheaga & Naíonáin Mhóra 11:30- 12.00 pm sa séipéal i gCnoc Mitin (páistí ag dul abhaile ón séipéal)

Rang 1 & Rang 2, 12:00- 12.30 pm sa séipéal i gCnoc Mitin (páistí ag dul abhaile ón séipéal)

Rang 3- Rang 6– 1.00- 2.00pm sa séipéal i gCnoc Mitin (páistí ag dul abhaile ón tséipéal)

Iarrtar ar gach páiste Hata Nollag a thabhairt ar scoil, le ainm an pháiste air. Tugtar an hata dóibh le caitheamh ag an Seirbhís Charúil.

**Bord
Bainistíochta**

Tá deireadh tagtha le tréimhse Bord Bainistíochta na scoile. Mo bhuíochas le gach ball Boird a d'oibrigh go dian dícheallach ar son na scoile. Tá Bord nua á chur le cheile againn faoi láthair agus comh luath is atá sé cinntithe, cuirfear an comhphobail scoile ar an eolas.

Our Board of Management has reached the end of its 4 year period and we are in the process of finalising the new Board for 2024-2028. As soon as it is complete, the details of the new Board will be sent to parents.

I wish to thank the members of the Board, who have worked so hard over the last few years, to help and support our school. They do amazing work, voluntarily, and we are very thankful.

**Naíonáin
Bheaga 2024/
Junior Infant
Class 2024**

Beidh Foirmeacha iarratais don rang na Naíonáin Shóisir 2024 ar fáil i rith Mí Eanáir. Déan cinnte de an fhoirm a líonadh agus a sheoladh isteach roimh 31 Mí Eanáir, de réir an Polasaí Iontrála.

Application Forms for the Junior Infant Class 2024 will be available during the month of January. In line with our Enrolment Policy, forms must be sent to the school before 31st January.

**Geansaí
Nollag/
Christmas
Jumper Day**

Tá cead ag gach páiste Geansaí Nollag a chaitheamh ar scoil ar an Aoine 22 Nollaig. Táimid ag bailiú ar son Alzheimer's Society of Ireland i mbliana. Iarraimid oraibh €1/€2 a dheonadh más féidir. Seolfar nasc go luath.

The children can wear their Christmas jumpers to school on Friday the 22nd of December. We are collecting on behalf of the Alzheimer's Society of Ireland this year. We ask that you each donate €1/€2 if you can. A payment Link will be sent out shortly. Please do not add expense, by buying Christmas Jumpers- a Christmas hat or some tinsel will do!

An Múinteoir Eimear

Príomhoide Aoife

CAIRDE

Dia dhaoibh!

We hope you're all looking forward to a little break in a few weeks and like us, pj days and chocolate 🍫🍌🍪 for breakfast!

New Business Facebook page

Head over to the link below and hit the FOLLOW button for our new Facebook page. We've reconfigured it as a Business Page and are working on linking our school's Instagram page to it, therefore giving you all that follow a more streamlined channel for Information!

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61554280822903&sk=about>

Chick Incubation Project 🐣👩

What a fabulous experience the children in Naíonáin Mhóra and Rang a hÁon had with Nore Valleys Incubation project. We are happy to report that we had 3 adorable chicks hatch from the eggs in the time the children were looking after them. Maith sibh a páistí 🐣 To Fluffy, Tweety and Rosie - we will remember you with fondness 😊

Féilire Scoile (School Calendar)

Our school calendar has been given the seal of approval and the printer hopes to have them for us very soon. If you are interested in purchasing one, there is a payment option on each child's Aladdin to enable you to purchase online. We also plan to sell copies of the calendar at both the Junior and Senior Christmas Carol Services on the 19th December in Knockmitten Church. And if the Elves in the Printers workshop are super efficient, we may even have some physical calendars with us to sell on the clós the week ending 15th December! We can't wait for you to see this years one ...its so colourful and fun 😊

Prices are: €10 for 1, €18 for 2 and €25 for 3. If making your purchase through Aladdin and looking to purchase multiples, **please make sure to change the total paying to reflect whichever multiple you're buying.** Grma !

Clondalkin Helping Homeless - Food Drive

This Christmas, CAIRDE have teamed up with Clondalkin Helping Homeless. The cost of living has hit everyone, the clients of this organisation especially.

With the support of the school, CAIRDE are running a food drive for them next week. We would encourage everyone to bring in 1 or 2 non perishable food items. There will be a large trolley in the school yard to collect these items this **Tues 5th, Wed 6th and Thurs 7th December in the morning and at 1.30pm and 2.30pm pick ups.** .

Anything we could donate to Clondalkin HH stock would be hugely appreciated and a wonderful gift to our community. With Christmas fast approaching, they also accept NEW toys and books. We would ask that **no used** items be donated.

Spring Term

We are happy to announce that along with the **Anti Bullying Workshop** that is mentioned in the Newsletter above, Cairde are asking the facilitator to run a Parents talk on the same subject, on one of the evenings. The date, time and venue for this, once decided, will be circulated and we would invite Parents to stay afterwards and make a social get together out of it!

As always, if there is anything you want to talk to us about, or if you'd like to get involved with Caride then get in touch with us at cairdecamoige@gmail.com , or chat to us on the school yard 😊

**Go raibh míle gach duine,
Aoife, Jen, Joe, Laura, Su, Heather and Maria**

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