

Gaelscoil na Camóige

Nuachtlitir, 8 Aibreán 2025

**Féilire Scoile
2025/26**

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28 Lúnasa// 28th August ar ais ar scoil/ back to school

27 D.F -31 Samhain 27th Oct.- 31st November. Briseadh Meán Téarma/ Mid Term Break

19 Nollaig/ 19th December- Leathlá/ Half Day

22 Nollaig – 2 Eanáir Laethanta Saoire/ 22nd Dec- 2nd January- Christmas Hol.

5 Eanáir ar ais 5th January, back to school

2 Feabhra 2nd February- Lá Saoire Bainc/ Bank Holiday

19 & 20 Feabhra/19th & 20th February Briseadh Meán Téarma/ Midterm break

16 & 17 Márta / 16th & 17th March- Scoil Dúnta, School Closed- Lá le Pádraig

27 Márta / 27th March Leathlá/ Half Day

30 Márta – 10 Aibreán / 30th March - 10th April Easter Break

13 Aibreán/April 13th ar ais ar scoil/ back to school

5 & 29 Bealtaine / 5th & 29th May Bank Holiday, Scoil Dúnta, School Closed-

2 Meitheamh 2nd June Bank Holiday

26 Meitheamh/ 26th June Lá Deireanach, Leathlá/ Last School Day, Half-Day

**Scrúdúithe
Caighdeánaithe/
Standardised
Testing**

Mar is eol daoibh, is am gnóthach í Mí Bealtaine sa scoil, nuair a bhíonn measúnaithe ar siúl ag na múinteoirí ranga. Measúnuithe darbh ainm Scrúdú DromConrach atá i gceist do R1- R6. Déanann na Naíonáin meascán de Belfield Assessments agus measúnuithe ranga. Tá sé tábhachtach go bhfuil tuiscint ag tuismitheoirí faoina scrúduithe seo agus iarrtar ar gach tuiste an doiciméad ceangailte “Your child & Standardised Testing” a léamh. Ní féidir réitiú don scrúdú agus níor chóir go mbeadh páiste ag staidéar nó ag réitiú dó. Molann an scoil, gan an scór a roinnt le do pháiste. Is féidir páistí a chur faoi bhrú nuair atá an iomarca airde tugtha don scrúdú agus don scór.

Tá sé riachtanach go mbíonn gach páiste i láthair. Labhair leis an múinteoir ranga má cheapann tú go gcaillfidh do pháiste lá ar scoil, le cinntiú nach gcaillfear an tseans an scrúdú a dhéanamh.

As you know the month of May is a busy time for the teachers as they assess the children in all classes. Assessments are carried out using a variety of methods, including Drumcondra Testing (1st - 6th) and Belfield Assessments & Class Assessments in infants. It is important that parents understand the testing and assessment . Attached is a document “ Your child & Standardised Testing” and we ask that all parents take some time to read it.

Music Bingo

Please note: Children cannot prepare for the test and should not study or do extra work in preparation. We recommend that parents do not share the results with their child. At times, too much attention given to the tests and to the results, (high or low) can make a child feel under stress or pressured to do better. Please also note that standardised testing is just one method of assessment used by the teachers.

It is essential that children are in attendance. Please talk to the class teacher if you know that your child will miss a day, to try to ensure that these tests are not missed. We cannot guarantee that your child will have an opportunity to sit the test, if they are absent.

Beidh oíche lán le craic, ceol is gáire ar siúl oíche Aoine, 16 Bealtaine i gCumann na Cloigthí! Bígí linn! Music Bingo atá ann, píosa spóirt, deis bualadh le cairde na scoile agus seans tacú le Gaelscoil na Camóige. Mo bhuíochas le CAIRDE as an oíche Tíomsú Airgid a eagrú chun airgead a bhailiú, le cur le h-acmhainní na scoile agus le Robbie Moore as an Music Bingo a chur le chéile dúinn. *We cannot wait for Friday the 16th May, for a night of craic, music and laughter in the Round Tower Club House! Join us for a great night of fun, an opportunity to meet friends, and support our wonderful school at the same time! We hope to see everyone there! A huge thank you to CAIRDE for organising this fundraising night and to Robbie Moore, for arranging the Music Bingo and giving up his time to support Gaelscoil na Camóige. Fundraising is vital to continue to add and update valuable resources in our school, so everyone's support is needed.*

Asláithreachas/ Absenteeism

Meabhurcháin- Coinnigh do pháiste sa bhaile má tá sé/sí tinn. Má tá do pháiste as láthair, déanaigí cinnte de an asláithreacha a chlárú ar Aladdin.

Reminder- Please do not send your child to school if they are sick. if your child is absent please fill in the reason for absence on Aladdin. If a child is absent for more than 20 days in a school year, the school is obliged to report to Tusla Education Support Service (TESS).

An Chéad Chomaoineach Naofa/ First Holy Communion

Mar is eol daoibh beidh an Chéad Chomaoineach Naofa ar siúl ar an Satharn, an 10 Bealtaine, á cheiliúradh ag an tAthair Kieran Coghlan. Tá an-chuid obair déanta ag an Múinteoir Sandra agus na tuismitheoirí, chun na páistí a réitiú don ócáid álainn seo. Mo bhuíochas le CAIRDE atá ag eagrú tae/caife i gClub Cumann na Cloigthí i ndiaidh an tsearmanas. Tá súil agam go mbeidh lá álainn agaibh agus go mbaineann gach duine taitneamh as an ócáid speisialta seo. *As you are aware the First Holy Communion will take place on Saturday, May 10th. at 10.00am in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, celebrated by Fr. Kieran Coghlan. A huge thank you to Múinteoir Sandra and all of the parents who are working with the children, to prepare them for this special day. Many thanks also to CAIRDE who are organising tea/coffee/ photos in the Round Towers Clubhouse after the ceremony. Paul Keegan will also be on hand to take photos throughout the ceremony, as he did last year. Paul very kindly donated the proceeds of the sale of his photos to CAIRDE and we are delighted that he is volunteering his time and generosity yet again this year.*

I hope that you all have a wonderful day.

An Cháisc/ Easter

Beidh an scoil ag dúnadh luath ar an Aoine seo, 11 Aibreán. Críochnóidh na Naíonáin ag 11.50 agus R1- R6 ag 12.00. Beimid ag athoscailt ar an Luan 28 Aibreán. *The school will close early this Friday, 11th april for Easter Break. Infants will go home at 11.50 and R10 R6 at 12.00. The school will reopen on Monday 28th April.*

Rang 6

Beidh Searmanas na gCoinneal R6, ar siúl i Séipéal Muire gan Smál ar 1 Bealtaine 1.30i.n. Beidh na páistí ag caitheamh na héadaí scoile. **Beidh coinneal ag teastáil ó gach páiste don searmóin.**

Cabhraigh le do pháiste na paidreacha a chleachtadh le bhur dtola.

The Ceremony of Light for 6th Class will take place in church of the Immaculate Conception on 1st May, 1.30pm.

The children will wear the school uniform to the ceremony and will walk to the Church with their class from school.

The children will need a candle (their baptismal candle if you have it) on the day.

Please help your child practice the prayers at home. The children wear their full school uniform for the ceremony.

**Céad Cabhair/
First Aid**

Beidh Cóineartú Rang 6 ar siúl 21 Bealtaine, 11.00am. Caitheann na páistí na héadaí scoile don searmóin seo. *As you know, the Confirmation will take place on 21st May at 11am. The children wear the full school uniform for the ceremony.*

Rinne Rang 6 cúrsa sa Gharchabhair san Áras le déanaí. Mo bhuíochas le CAIRDE as seo a shocrú arís dúinn i mbliana. *Rang 6 completed a First Aid Course recently in the Áras. A huge thanks to CAIRDE for arranging and facilitating this invaluable course for the children.*

**Éadaí Scoile/
School Uniform**

Táimid bródúil as ár n-éadaí scoile agus tá sé tábhachtach go gcoífeann leis an bpolasaí atá leagtha amach ag an mBord Bainistíochta (féach ceangailte) Má tá píosa cailte/ bróga mícheart srl. iarrtar ar thuistí nóta/ leithscéal a sheoladh chuig an múinteoir ranga le bhur dtola. *We are very proud of our school uniform and it is very important that all adhere to our uniform Policy, as approved by the Board of Management (see attached) If your child has mislaid an item/ has the wrong footwear etc.. A note of explanation is required by the class teacher.*

Formal Uniform to be worn Mon- Wed, Tracksuit on Thursdays & Fridays. At times, throughout the year, this may change, e.g school trip, matches, very hot weather- Parents will be notified by Aladdin notice/ email when this occurs.

**Clós ar maidin/
Morning Yard**

Meabhurcháin- Níl cead fanacht timpeall na geataí ar maidin. Iarrtar ar thuismitheoirí/ caomhnóirí, páistí a fhágáil ar an gclós, agus fág láithreach. *Reminder- Parents/ Guardians are not permitted to wait at the school railings during morning yard. We ask that children are dropped to the yard, and parents/guardians leave immediately. This reduces incidents of upset in the children, allows children to enter the gate without obstruction and encourages and motivates the children to be independent and to develop their social skills on the morning yard.*

**Scoileanna
Ildánacha/
Creative Schools**

Mar is eol daoibh, is Scoil Ildánach í Gaelscoil na Camóige. D'éirigh linn lenár n-iarratas agus tá go leor pleananna idir lámhe againn faoi láthair! Tá sé i gceist againn na nithe thíos a dhéanamh roimh dheireadh na bliana seo. *As you know, Gaelscoil na Camóige is a Creative School, partaking in the Creative Schools Initiative, led by the Arts Council. We are at the planning stage at the moment! See below some activities planned to take place before the end of this school year:*

- Ceardlann Ealaíne/ Art Workshops
- Albam Scoile a scaoileadh/ create & launch our School Album
- Ceoldráma a phleanáil don scoilbhliain seo chugainn/ Plan and prepare for a Musical next year

Buíochas ollmhór le Múinteoir Rachel, Múinteoir Claire agus na páistí atá lárnach sa phleanáil seo. *Many thanks to Múinteoir Rachel and Múinteoir Claire, and to the children, who are the creative minds behind these exciting plans!*

<https://www.creativeireland.gov.ie/en/creative-youth/creative-schools/>

**Buíochas/ Word of
Thanks**

Tá spórt na scoile ag dul ó neart go neart, agus ba mhaith liom mo bhuíochas a ghabháil le Múinteoir Clíodhna as a cuid oibre ar fad. Mo bhuíochas chomh maith le thuismitheoirí na scoile a chabhraíonn is a thacaíonn linn i gcónaí. Tá thuismitheoirí ag cabhrú le iomáint/camógaíocht a chur ar fáil i mbliana-siad sin, Jonathan Ó Briain & Bernie Wall, Willie Kennedy agus Sam Walsh. Tuismitheoirí a bhíonn ag na cluichí ag cabhrú freisin, ár mbuíochas libh! Tá an nasc idir thuismitheoirí agus an scoil rí-thábhachtach, agus cuireann sé go mór le eispéireas foghlama agus atmasféar na scoile. Ní neart go cur le Chéile. *Sport in the school is going from strength to strength, and I would like to thank Múinteoir Clíodhna for all her hard work in this area. A special word of thanks to those parents who are helping out with camogie and hurling training over the past few weeks- Bernie Wall, Jonathan Ó Briain, Willie Kennedy and Sam Walsh. Also, those parents who attend the matches, and give a hand when needed- Ár mbuíochas libh! The relationship between school and the parent body of the school is extremely important, and this support adds greatly to the educational experience of the children and to the warm atmosphere in the school- As our school motto says- There's no Strength without Unity- Ní neart go cur le Chéile*

**Féin
Mheastóireacht
Scoile/ School Self
Evaluation**

Breathnaigh ar ár bPlean Feabhsucháin Scoile- Sláinte & Folláine ceangailte. Cuireadh an Plean seo le cheile le h-eolas bailithe ó thuismitheoirí, an fhoireann agus na páistí scoile. Buíochas mór le Múinteoir Bríd agus le Múinteoir Caitríona as a gcuid oibre dhíograiseach leis an bplean seo a chur i gcrích. Is í aidhm an plean ná Sláinte & Folláine a fheabhsú do chách. Beidh an Plean curtha i bhfeidhm i Téarma 3 agus athbhreithnithe gach dhá bhliain.

Please see our School Improvement Plan attached. This plan was created , after evaluating information collected from staff, parents and children. Many thanks to Múinteoir Bríd and to Múinteoir Caitríona for their dedication and hard work. Our aim is to improve Health & Wellbeing for all. This plan will be implemented in Term 3 and reviewed after 2 years.

Crannchur/ Raffle

Beidh Crannchur againn ar an Aoine seo do pháistí na scoile! Beidh Ciseán Cásca lán le h-uibheacha cásca mar dhuais, anuas ar rudaí álainn eile. Is féidir ticéid a cheannach don chrannchur ar Aladdin-táimid ag tiomsú airgid ar son Irish Cancer Society. Ár mbuíochas libh os bhur dtacaíochta. *We will hold an Easter Raffle this Friday for the children! An Easter Hamper is up for grabs! Many thanks to Glanmore Foods. Tickets can be purchased on Aladdin, by donating for Irish Cancer Society. Thank you for your support.*

**Cruinniú Tuistí
Naíonán Beag/
Parents
Information
Meeting- Junior
Infants 2025/2026**

Beidh Cruinniú do thuismitheoirí na Naíonán Beag a bheidh ag tosú i Mí Mheán Fómhair 2025 ar siúl sa scoil Dé Céadaoin, 30 Aibreán, 6.30i.n *The meeting for parents of Junior Infants starting in September 2025 will take place Wednesday, 30th April, 6.30pm*

CAIRDE

Dia dhaoibh gach duine,

We want to extend a huge welcome to Rachel Johnston who has joined the Cairde committee for the remainder of the year. We are thrilled to have her on board to help with the exciting events and fundraisers we have lined up between now and the summer holidays.

The most recent Open Cairde meeting was held on Monday 24th of February, and this time we had it during the evening via Zoom as requested by the school community. It was a huge success and very well attended. If you couldn't attend the meeting the minutes were circulated by your class reps for you to catch up on all that was discussed.

As the Cairde Open meeting was via Zoom, we decided to host an in person Uniform Swap Coffee Morning in Áras Chrónáin and it was well attended by parents. There is still some stock available so please contact the committee if you find you need some uniform items. We are looking for more school cardigans and jumpers to replenish the stock if you have any extras looking for a new home.

We were delighted to be able to support Múinteoir Sharon with the incredible Seachtain na Gaeilge by funding some of the activities and providing the popcorn for the children's Movie Day. A huge thank you to Múinteoir Sharon and all the staff for

creating so many fantastic experiences for the children- they had a great 2 weeks! Cairde were delighted to fund and organise to have Siobháin from 'First Aid for Everyone' back again this year to teach Rang a 6 Basic First Aid. It's a wonderful opportunity for the eldest children in the school to learn life saving skills and we're very grateful for the financial support from parents to be able to do this.

Preparations are in full swing for the Communion Photography Party that will be hosted in the Round Tower's GAA Club on Convent Road on the 10 th of May. Sarah Treacy will be back again to capture these special moments and Cairde will be there to offer refreshments while the Rang a 2 families wait. A huge thank you to our Sub-Committee and those who have volunteered from Rang a 1 on the day.

We are delighted to let you all know that the Music Bingo tickets are now available to purchase on Aladdin!

Robbie will be back with us again for the Music Bingo night on Friday May 16th in the Round Tower's GAA Club on Convent Road, doors open at 8pm and it'll kick off at 8.30pm. We already have some fantastic prizes lined up for the night including a family pass for a tour of Croke Park, 2 adult passes for Skyline at Croke Park and many, many more!

Tickets are €20 and include your Bingo booklet and 3 raffle tickets which you can collect on the door that night.

To purchase a ticket, go into the ePayments folder on Aladdin and enter the amount of money you wish to pay (eg: €40 for 2 tickets). Alternatively, if you can't make it on the night but would like to make a donation, please use the donation option on

Aladdin. And of course, we will be on the clós selling tickets and raffle tickets in May, the dates will be circulated closer to the time.

We're looking forward to another fantastic night of fun and fundraising!!

Wishing you all a very Happy Easter and enjoy the break from the school run.

Your Cairde Committee,

Jen, Laura, Richie and Rachel

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