

Scoil Mhuire Gan Smál New Inn

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Dates to remember

- May 7th Monday
 Closed Bank Holiday
- May 9th Wed W.O.W
- May 10th Thurs
 Camógie Blitz
- May 19th Saturday
 1st Holy Com. 12noon
- May 30th Wed
 Closed Senior Tour
- May 31st Thurs
 Closed Referendum
- June 1st Friday

 Junior Tour
- June 4th Monday
 Closed Bank Holiday
- June 28th Thurs
 Closing 12noon Hols

Don't forget to check out our website:

www.newinngirlsschool.ie

Active Schools Flag

We are in the process of applying for an "Active School Flag". To achieve this we :-

- ensure each child has 1hr P.E per week
- promote an active lifestyle
- are launching a "Walk to school on Wednesday" programme
- will be having an active school week in June
- encourage our pupils to part take in sport activities outside school

Presently our pupils have regular P.E lessons with their class teacher, weekly dance classes, regular camógie training, swimming for 9 weeks, Tennis coaching (4-6 sessions), Participate in cross country and track and field events and this year we are also hoping to have some handball coaching.

Tipperary hurling goalkeeper, **Brendan Cummins**, will launch our "<u>W</u>alk <u>on W</u>ednesday" programme on <u>Wednesday 9th May</u>, when he will lead our walk from the GAA field to the school, where we will be having a school fundraising breakfast morning.

Adults €4, Children €3

We would encourage as many parents and extended family members to walk with us on the 9th of May and every Wednesday until the summer holidays.



National Spring Clean Week



The children from Mrs. Ryan's room all helped with a big Spring clean just before the Easter holidays. We had refuse sacks and gloves provided by "An Taisce" in conjunction with National Spring

Buntús training for teachers

The teachers had in-service training from "Buntús" on **Monday 23rd April**. This is the third time the teachers have had up skilling provided by The South Tipperary Sports Partnership. This time we were the host school with teachers visiting from Donohill and Ballagh.

We had training in basic soccer skills, which could be used in other games also. As a result of our training we were provided with some extra sports equipment eg. Soccer balls, bibs and cones, all of which will be a great benefit to the pupils. We also have a new soccer goal ordered as our other one was vandalised. So hopefully the boys and girls will have the weather to enjoy soccer this year!

Camogle The 12 girls of 5th & 6th class travelled to Dundrum GAA pitch on Fri 27th April to play an u13 camógie blitz organised by Cumann na mBunscoil.. Unfortunately they lost their first two matches by only 1 goal against Rossmore & St. Joseph's, Tipp Town. The girls played with great heart and team spirit but on the day lady luck did not shine on them. All teams were very evenly matched and the results could have gone either way.

For their 3rd and final match they met Ayle and drew, 1 goal 1 point each. The blitz gave great experience to the girls on how to perform under pressure, and although they didn't proceed to the next stage they represented their school with great courage. Well done to the girls and a big thank you to Paul Perry and Taylor Ryan for their coaching and to Paul & Mary Barlow for their assistance on the day.

<u>Painting</u>

The school was painted by the parents during the Easter holidays. Many thanks to those who gave of their time so freely and willingly to help out with this. It's nice to see the place looking a bit more bright and cheerful with the new lick of paint!

Book Fair

We had a book fair on **Tuesday 24th April** in the Convent Hall. Four large book cases arrived from "Scholastics" the previous week, containing books suitable for all ages from infants to 6th class. Children were brought to the hall to browse through the books and pick what they might like to buy at the book fair. Parents were invited to attend from 1pm - 2.30pm on the day of the fair and were very supportive.

After the fair the teachers could select books to half the value of the money collected to enhance their class libraries. Many thanks to everyone who purchased books at the fair. You not only encouraged your own child to read more but every child in the school benefits as a result of the new books in the class libraries.

We hope you all enjoy our own special book "We are Writers" which was sold at the book fair.

Results of the Easter Egg Raffle 30/3/12 - €325 raised for Bóthar - Many thanks

Room 1 Room 2 Room 3 Room 4 Caoimhe Grace John Bergin Kain Blair Lisa Blair Keelin Burke x 2 Conor Hennessy Kerri Browne Eabha Burke Shanahan Nathan Butler John Mulcahy Clodagh Fitzgerald x2 Elam Casey Hannah Dalzell Senan McMahon Sarah Fitzgerald Róisín Doyle Anneka Maxwell Ciara McCarthy Mark O' Grady Gráinne Moloney Margaret McGrath Elsie O' Neill Cathal McCarthy Rachael Murphy Freya McKenna Eimear O' Brien Shannon O' Dwyer Kathy Richardson x 2 Cian O' Sullivan Eadaoin Prendergast x2 Ciara Parker Catriona Rice x2 Easter Bunny winner - Éabha Carroll