



Scoil Mhuire Gan Smál New Inn



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Dates to remember

- **Thursday 22nd Dec**
Closing 12noon
Christmas Holidays
- **Mon 9th Jan**
School re-opens
- **Tues 17th Jan**
HSE - Vaccinations
(Junior Infants)
- **Thurs 19th Jan**
1st Holy Communion &
Confirmation meeting with
Fr. Kennedy
- **Friday 20th Jan**
Swimming starts
- **Tues 24th Jan**
In-Service for teachers
(school closed)
**This is an extra school
closing that was not on
your school calendar**
- **23rd & 24th Feb**
Thurs & Fri
Mid-term
- **Friday 17th March**
St. Patrick's Day

CAROL SERVICE/NATIVITY

On **Monday 19th December** we held a lovely carol service in the parish church. Pupils from Juniors to 6th class all participated in this little service, which told the story of Christmas through narration and song. Thanks to Fr. Kennedy for accommodating us in the church and to Pat Marnane who played for us. It was a change from our usual concert format and lovely to see all pupils involved together.

Parents were delighted to see the two new rooms after the carol service and everyone was very impressed with our new extension. Thanks to Fr. Kennedy for performing the blessing and our Chairperson, Breda Hickey, for cutting the ribbon and declaring the extension officially open.

Once again thanks to the Parents Council for all their help with catering and the official opening of the extension and to the girls in Mrs. Ryan's room for preparing lots of lovely cookies for the night.

I would once again like to thank the parents and all our sponsors for your generosity with our "Buy A Brick" and all our other fundraisers.

A temporary display of sponsors was on view on the night but in the new year we hope to have a more permanent display erected in the front porch.



SWIMMING

Swimming, in Clonmel Swimming Pool, will be starting for pupils from 1st to 6th class for 9 weeks from **Friday 20th January until Friday 31st March**. We will have 5 sessions before the mid-term and 4 after mid-term. There will be no swimming on Friday 24th February (mid-term 23rd & 24th) and no swimming on Friday 17th March - closed for St. Patrick's day.

Swimming will cost €50 per child which will cover the lessons, the pool and the bus. Please have your money paid to your class teacher by **Thursday 19th January**. The money may be paid in full or else in 2 instalments, €30 to be paid by 19th January and €20 to be paid by 2nd March.



SPLIT THE POT

Congratulations to all our winners!

2/12/16 - Annie Flynn (S.I.) - €69
 9/12/16 - Louisa McConnon (3rd) - €72
 16/12/16 - Brianna O' Rourke (2nd) - €114

**Bonus winners:-**

Grace Heaney x 2!, Gearóid English, Sophie Lonergan, Kate O' Dwyer, Aliyah & Freya McKenna, Jack Donnelly, Kate Hennessy, Margaret McGrath, James McConnon, Caitlin Clifford, Grace O' Dwyer, Aisling Fitzpatrick, Danielle O' Dwyer, Sandra English.

CHILDREN TRAVELLING ON LAMBERT BUSES

Please note: Lambert buses have advised us that they may be running approximately 20 minutes late on Thursday for the lunchtime/home time collection.

5k FUN RUN

The local G.A.A. club, Rockwell Rovers, are organising a 5k fun run on **St.Stephen's Day @ 11.30am**. Registration @ 11am in G.A.A. field. €20 per family, €7 per adult & €3 per child. Spot prizes on the day. Light refreshments served. Proceeds of this event will be shared between the two schools in the Parish.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you and yours a Happy & Holy Christmas and every good wish for 2016 Beannachtaí na Nollag oraibh go léir
 School will close for the Christmas holidays on **Thursday 22nd December @ 12noon.**

We will re-open on Monday 9th January

A.S.A.P.

We are hoping to resume A.S.A.P. after Christmas. It is planned to have gymnastics in the hall for 5 weeks starting on Wednesday 18th January until Wednesday 8th February. 2/3 parent volunteers are needed to ensure this can go ahead. If you are available to help out please contact Eileen or Mrs. Ryan

PARENT/TEACHER MEETINGS...

will be held on **Mon/Tues, 13th /14th Feb**. A time and date will be given to your child closer to the time. Should you have concerns about your child and wish to meet the class teacher before then please ring the office for an appointment.

COOKERY DEMO

A huge thank you to Shane & Kay McGonigle who provided us with a great night's entertainment with their cookery demonstration in the Community Centre on 30th November. They were super and everyone was thrilled with the night. We all have wonderful ideas on how to spice up the festive cooking, from starters to desserts and all the nibbles in between. A word of thanks to all who helped preparing the hall and organising the raffle etc. A special word of thanks to Paddy O' Connor for making the road signs which were on display locally and to Flogas who sponsored the event. In total we raised €1,972 for the school extension.

We were delighted to present Kay & Shane with a cheque for €404 for St. John's Ward, Crumlin Hospital which was raised from our dress up day at Halloween. Katie Mai McGonigle duly presented our money to the staff of St. John's Ward who will put the funds to good use.

See website for photo www.newinngirlsschool.ie

HSE - VACCINATIONS

Children from Junior Infants will be receiving vaccinations (4 in 1 and MMR) in school on **Tuesday 17th January**. Consent forms were distributed on Tuesday 20th December. Kindly return these forms to school before the holidays. More info on www.hse.ie

IN-SERVICE

Please note all teachers will be attending an in-service for the new language curriculum on Tues 24th Jan. School will be closed on that day. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

BIRTHDAYS 1/11/16- 31/12/16 - CONGRATULATIONS!**Junior Infants**

Tom Doherty
 Holly McNamara
 Murray O' Donoghue

Senior Infants

Seamus Heenan
 Will Lonergan
 Adam O' Dwyer
 William Richardson
 Aaron Shanahan

1st Class

Adam Collins
 Gearóid English
 Cliodhna Farrell
 Isabelle Hyland
 Tilly Lawrence
 Ellen Nugent
 Paul Rice

2nd Class

Ella Brophy
 Maeve Fitzpatrick
 Grace O' Dwyer

3rd Class

Ciara Collins
 Ava Harnett
 Ella Heaney
 Ciara Mohally
 Leeanne Tickner Murphy

5th Class

Cathe Richardson

6th Class

Clodagh Fitzgerald

