



Scoil Mhuire Gan Smál

New Inn

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Dates to remember

- **Tues 22nd Dec**
Closing 12noon
Christmas Holidays
- **Thurs 7th Jan**
Re-open
- **Friday 15th Jan**
Swimming starts
(1st - 6th)
- **Parent/Teacher Meeting**
Monday & Tuesday
8th & 9th February
- **Mid- Term**
Thursday & Friday
18th & 19th February
- **Easter Holidays**
Closing Wednesday 16th March
- **Monday 4th April**
Re-open



CHRISTMAS CONCERT/CEOLCHOIRM NA NOLLAG

Thanks to all who helped make our annual Christmas concert a great success. We had two busy, but very entertaining nights on **Monday 7th & Tuesday 8th December**. Many thanks to the Parents' Council who worked really hard to ensure our new style "double shows" went off without too many hiccups.

A special word of thanks to the teachers, S.N.A., our Drama & Dance teachers Mrs. Sheehan & Ms. Cronin for all their great work. And of course Pat Marnane on music and sound.

Well done and a big congratulations to all our performers from Junior Infants to 6th class who were excellent. Bhí said ar fheabhas!

(see website for photos & a list of the raffle prize winners)



FLAG PRESENTATION

On **Friday 4th December** we had a visit from members of the defence forces - Sergeant John Kennedy and Private Kieran Flynn. They presented the school with a tricolour. Kerri Browne, being the oldest girl in the school, read a paragraph from the Proclamation and Michéal Farrell, being the youngest boy, received the flag on behalf of the school. The pupils from 3rd to 6th class played Amhrán na bhFiann on their tin whistles to mark the occasion.

On Wednesday 16th March @ 12noon every school in the country will raise the flag to commemorate the 1916 rising.
(check out website for photos)

SWIMMING

Swimming will take place in term two for pupils from 1st to 6th class. Swimming will commence on **Friday 15th January** for nine weeks. It will cost €50 per child, which will cover the bus as well as swimming lessons. This may be paid in full by Friday 15th January or in two instalments of €25 each payable by 15th January & 12th February.

Swimming will take place on Wednesday 17th February instead of Friday 19th as we will be closed for mid-term that day.



SPLIT THE POT

Congratulations to our most recent winners!

20/11/15 - Christina Rose Longworth (5th) - €81

27/11/15 - Cliodhna Farrell (S.I.) - €76

18/12/15 - Darragh Ryan (1st) - €183

Bonus Prizes -

Hot Shots Bowling Gift Voucher & 2 selection boxes - Ciara Moloney (6th)

Family Cinema Pass- Clara Matthia (4th)

Christmas Candle Oil Burner - Kate Hennessy (1st)

Christmas Candle Oil Burner - Cathe Richardson (4th)

€10 Tesco Voucher - Adam Collins (S.I.)

Box of Sweets - Aisling Fitzpatrick (4th)

Selection Box - Maeve Carroll (3rd)

Selection Box - Nessa Moloney (3rd)

**A.S.A.P**

A.S.A.P. is finished for this term. It will resume again for 1st to 4th class from **13th January** with gymnastics. Looking forward to seeing you all back again

NEW BUILD UPDATE

At this stage our extension should be finally gone to tender. Hopefully we should see work commence by the end of February. We are well on target to have it ready for September 2016! We will need to raise some money now in term two. The Parents Council have come up with a fundraiser called "Buy a Brick". "Bricks" will be €50 for a bronze
€100 for silver
€250 for gold
€500 for platinum

All families, including current, past and prospective will be asked to support this fundraiser as well as the wider community. We will also be contacting local businesses and all businesses with a connection to the school. Names of sponsors (both families and businesses) will be displayed on a sponsor wall, details to be finalised.

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!

This year's Parent/Teacher meetings will take place on **Monday 8th & Tuesday 9th February**. You will be given an allocated date and time neared the date. If you are unable to attend please contact your class teacher and we will make every effort to arrange another time for you.

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 Tuesday 22nd December @ **12noon**. We will re-open on Thursday 7th January

R.S.A.

On the **14th December** each class was visited by a member of the R.S.A. to speak to the children about road safety, walking & cycling to school., taking the bus etc. Each presentation was highly informative and the children should have a good understanding of how to remain safe on our roads in all kinds of situations. They received badges and rulers with the logo "Be safe, be seen!"

SUPERMACS

On **Friday 11th December** children from 1st & 2nd class travelled to Supermacs, Tipperary to "make & bake". All 37 children got a chance to make their own pizza. They first had to roll out some dough for the base and then they choose whatever toppings they liked. Next the pizzas were placed in the ovens and children then got to sample their produce! Yum!!!! (see website for photos)

**BIRTHDAYS 1/11/15- 31/12/15 - CONGRATULATIONS!****Junior Infants**

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

Senior Infants

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

1st Class

Ella Brophy
Shane Cummins
Maeve Fitzpatrick
Grace O' Dwyer
Seán Reilly

2nd Class

Ciara Collins
Ava Harnett
Ella Heaney

4th Class

Cathe Richardson

5th Class

Clodagh Fitzgerald

