



Scoil Mhuire Gan Smál New Inn

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Dates to remember

- **2nd hand book sale**
Wed 2nd March
- **Spikeball Blitz** (5th & 6th)
Thurs 3rd March
- **1st Confession**
Friday 4th March @ 8pm
- **Visit from Library**
Thursday 10th March
- **Flag Raising Ceremony
to commemorate 1916**
Tues 15th March @ 11.45
- **Easter Holidays**
Closing Wed 16th March 12noon
- **Monday 4th April**
Re-open
- **Monday 2nd May**
Bank Holiday
- **Saturday 14th May**
First Holy Communion
- **Monday 6th June**
Bank Holiday

SCHOOL EXTENSION/BUY A BRICK

The fundraiser for our extension was launched at the end of January. All past, present and prospective pupils and their families have been contacted and asked to "Buy a Brick". We also have asked all our suppliers and members of our local community to help us to invest in a better future for the children of our parish.

Currently our e-tenders have been opened and unfortunately the lowest bidder is still well above the amount we have been granted in funding from the Department. We would encourage you to please return your contribution as soon as possible so that we can ascertain how much money we will have and by how much we will need to streamline our proposed build. Please note all donations no matter how large or small will be very much appreciated and no distinction in the bricks will be made on the display wall so therefore no one will know how much any family has donated. As of yet the actual design and style of the display wall has to be confirmed but it **will not be colour coded**.

We are currently back in talks with the Department to try to secure further funding and have also been in touch with our local politicians to seek their help by making representations to the Minister on our behalf. However the timing is against us with the election and the forming of a new government taking place at the moment.

The whole process has been very frustrating and a long drawn out procedure but it is important that we try to stay focussed and get the building started as soon as possible.

2ND HAND BOOK SALE.....

Will take place **tomorrow** in the Convent Hall **1.30 - 2.30pm**
Many thanks for all the donations received to date . Please come and support our Book Sale (which replaces our Book Fair).

All books are very reasonably priced between €1 - €3 approx.

All proceeds will be added to our building fund which is currently just under €7,000.



CALENDAR 2016/17

AUG 30th - Tuesday - School re-opens
OCT 31st – Nov 4th - Monday - Friday - Mid term
NOV 7th – Monday – School re-opens
DEC 8th - Thursday - **School open - Holy Day**
DEC 22nd – Thurs– Closing @ 12noon – Christmas Hols
JAN 9th – Monday – School re-opens
FEB 23rd & 24th – Thurs & Friday – Mid-term
MARCH 17th – Friday - Bank Holiday
APRIL 7th – Closing – Easter Holidays
APRIL 24th – Monday – School re-opens
MAY 1st – Monday – Bank Holiday
JUNE 5th – Monday – Bank Holiday
JUNE 23rd – Friday – School closing – Summer Holidays

This calendar may also be viewed on our website under "The News" heading.

SPLIT THE POT

22/1/16 - Emily & Alex McNamara (3rd & 1st) - €76

29/1/16 - Will Burke (1st) - €70

5/2/16 - Tadhg Lonergan (1st) - €75

12/2/16 - Micheál Farrell (Juniors) - €88

Bonus Prizes:

Maeve Carroll (3rd) - Teddy
 Tilly Lawrence (Seniors) - Hamper - Heroes & Ferrero Rocher
 Anna O' Donoghue (3rd) - C.D. & Box of Heroes
 John Fitzgerald (Seniors) - Milk Tray
 Sean Callery (Seniors) - Drinking Chocolate & Marshmallows
 Katie Durkan (2nd) - Milk Tray

17/2/16 - Aliyah & Freya McKenna (5th & 3rd) - €71

Bonus Prizes: Circus Tickets

Hannah Dalzell (3rd)
 Emily McGrath (1st)
 Ella Heaney (2nd)
 Sienna & Leon O' Dwyer
 Lisa Blair

26/2/16 - Maeve Carroll (3rd) - €76

**1st HOLY COMMUNION**

The next "Do this in Memory" mass is on Sunday **17th April**.

Also please note that 1st Confession will be celebrated on **Friday 4th March @ 8pm** in the Parish Church.

**SWIMMING**

Our final two swimming sessions take place on **Friday 4th & 11th March**. A few people still have outstanding fees to pay. Please attend to this as soon as possible.

**A.S.A.P...**

continues for two weeks **only**.

Wednesday 3rd & 10th March.

Gaeilge na Seachtaine (1- 17 Márta) To celebrate Gaeilge na Seachtaine we will be having a ceílí on **Wednesday 16th March** at our dance time. Children are currently learning some of our traditional ceílí dances. We also hope to embrace the use of our native language a bit more during that week and have some "dramaíochtaí" as Gaeilge, as well as a "Tráth na gCeist" in the Senior Rooms.

SPIKEBALL

5th & 6th class had their last spikeball coaching session on Tuesday 23rd Feb. They now meet the other 5 schools participating in the T.Y. programme. Best of luck to the girls in the blitz which takes place in Rockwell on **Thurs 3rd March**

TIPP FM

Two presenters from Tipp Fm visited Ms. Bourke's room on Monday to record the children for their programme "Big Question, Little People". which will be broadcast every morning **next week @ 8.15am** approx. Alternatively you may listen to it on podcast at the end of next week.

FLAG RAISING

On **Tuesday 15th March** we will join all other schools in the country by raising the Tricolour at 12 noon. Parents are invited to join us from 11.45 - 12.30pm for the ceremony followed by a display of our 1916 projects and a cuppa in the Convent Hall.