



Scoil Mhuire Gan Smál New Inn

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Dates to remember

- **Sunday 10th March**
"Do this in Memory"
- **Sunday 10th March**
Cake sale
- **Tuesday 12th March**
Mini retreat
(5th & 6th class)
- **Monday 18th March**
Bank Holiday
- **Thursday 21st March**
World Book Day
- **Friday 12th April**
Easter Holidays
Closing 12noon
- **Monday 29th April**
School re-opens
- **Monday 6th May**
Bank Holiday
- **Monday 3rd June**
Bank Holiday
- **Friday 21st June**
Closing @ 12noon
Summer Holidays

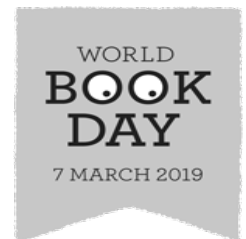


Seachtain na Gaeilge actually runs from 1st to 17th March but we will celebrate it on the week of **11th to 15th March**. Children will be encouraged to use the "cupla focal" as often as possible that week.

We will also hold our annual Ceilí that week, where every class performs a song, poem and dance "as Gaeilge" for all other classes. It's usually a great fun event enjoyed by all the pupils.

World Book Day falls on the 7th March.

Children will receive tokens worth €1.50 off any new book. This can be redeemed in most book shops. We will spend extra time that day on reading activities in school but our main celebration of World Book day will be on **Thursday 21st March** when we will hold a second hand book sale. Details of this to follow nearer the time.



HEALTHY LUNCHES POLICY

Please note that we have a strict healthy lunches policy in our school and pupils are only allowed **one small treat** on a Friday. Pupils are not permitted to bring in cakes or buns to share with their class.

Please ensure pupils only eat their own lunches and that food is not swapped around. We have to be very careful about this going forward as we will have a pupil with a nut allergy attending soon so from now on our school has to be a "nut free zone". I would ask for your co-operation in this matter please.



CAKE SALE

On **Sunday 10th March** the Parents Council will hold a cake sale in the Convent Hall after 11am Mass. Please support by donating cakes and buns and also purchasing!
Thanking you in advance





First Communion and Confirmation preparation is now underway in both schools. Pupils have been engaging with the “Do this in Memory” programme as they prepare for their First Holy Communion and the next “Do this in Memory” mass will be on **Sunday 10th March**. Final Mass is on Sunday 7th April



Also 5th & 6th class pupils have had their first preparation Mass for Confirmation and the next will be on **Sunday 24th March**. Final Mass is on 7th April. As part of the preparation for Confirmation the boys and girls will have a mini retreat in the Convent Hall on **Tuesday 12th March**.

I would like to know if parents are interested in purchasing photographs and DVD's of these two occasions so please return the little survey slip by Friday 1st March so that I can see if the demand for same warrants engaging a professional photographer and someone to record these ceremonies

Our monthly newsletters can also be viewed on our website:-

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G.A.A. EQUIPMENT

Cumann na mBunscol offers helmets and hurleys at greatly subsidised costs annually at this time of year. If you wish to order GAA equipment please return your order form and money before Monday 4th March. Please note these items can only be purchased at this time and are not available throughout the year. If you have a child in Senior Infants it would be prudent to purchase now as he/she will need a helmet in September 2019 for coaching in school. Helmets, which are €35 through this scheme, retail around €80 in the shops.



1st CLASS SWIMMING DATES & TIMES

Mar 19th—Tues—1.45pm—2.30pm

Mar 26th—Tues—1.45pm—2.30pm

Mar 29th—Fri—1.45pm—2.30pm

Apr 2nd—Tues—1.45pm—2.30pm

Apr 5th—Fri—1.45pm—2.30pm

Apr 11th—Thurs—11am—11.45am

ALDI RUGBY CHALLENGE

We are taking part in the Aldi Challenge to collect 300 rugby stickers and would be grateful if you are shopping in Aldi to ask for them. A total of 300 stickers are needed which gives the school a chance to win €50,000 towards sports resources.

We have until 7/4/19 to complete this task.



A.S.A.P.— After School Activity Programme

ASAP, for 1st—4th class, will resume with outdoor activities from Wednesday 6th March to 3rd April (5 weeks) This will be the last block of A.S.A.P. as after Easter we will be reverting to running for 3rd to 6th class



NEW ENTRANTS

If your child is due to start school in September 2019 please return the enrolment form asap