

Scoil Mhuire Gan Smál New Inn

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Dates to remember

- **Catholic Schools Week**

31 Jan - 6 Feb

- **Grandparents Mass**

Monday 1st Feb & 9.45am

- **Parent/Teacher Meeting**

Monday & Tuesday

8th & 9th February

- **Mid- Term**

Thursday & Friday

18th & 19th February

- **Flag Raising**

Tuesday 15th March

- **Easter Holidays**

Closing Wednesday 16th March

- **Monday 4th April**

Re-open

- **Saturday 14th May**

First Holy Communion

BUY A BRICK

We are now launching our "Buy a Brick" campaign, which we hope will be our main fundraiser for our extension. A letter will be going to each family to explain how this fundraiser works. As well as current families, past pupils, prospective pupils, parishioners, school suppliers and local businesses are being contacted in relation to this. Bricks may be purchased at various prices and all money should go through the office.

We would ask that parents use their discretion in relation to the donation they are making as it would not be appropriate for children to be discussing what or if their family have made a donation. With this in mind it has been decided not to colour code the bricks. Please ensure you put the name you wish to be displayed on the sponsor wall, on the counterfoil, when returning it to school. Should anyone have business contacts where they feel they may be able to get further sponsorship please contact the school for extra tickets.

PARENT/TEACHER MEETINGS

Parent/Teacher meetings will take place on **Monday 8th & Tuesday 9th February**. Parents will be given an allocated time of 10 minutes. Please try to keep to your time in order to facilitate the smooth running of the meetings. Should you need more time please ask the class teacher for another appointment. If the person in front of you has been with the teacher for more than 10 minutes please knock on the door to indicate that the time is up.

Should you be unable to attend at your allotted time please contact the class teacher to make other arrangements.

NEW LANGUAGE CURRICULUM for ENGLISH & IRISH

On **Tuesday 19th January** Mrs. Ryan Attended an in-service day in Waterford Teachers Centre on the implementation of a new language curriculum.

Further in-service will be offered to the staff in due course and the new programme will be introduced over the coming years starting with Junior and Senior Infants next year.



1st HOLY COMMUNION

Girls in 2nd class are preparing to receive 1st Holy Communion. There are a number of Masses in the "Do this in Memory" programme taking place for children in 2nd class. The dates are as follows:-

28th February,
17th April.

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



ICE-SKATING

On **Thursday 21st January** 5th & 6th class girls went ice-skating to Mahon Point, Cork. They thoroughly enjoyed the day despite all the falls! We had lots of bruises and a few sore limbs but thankfully no major accidents. On the way home we stopped off at the "Amber Filling Station" in Fermoy for some food and the girls were treated to a free icecream as the owner, David Ryan, is a Tipp man from Clonoulty and knew Seamus Mulcahy, our bus driver. A great day all round!

SPLIT THE POT

Well done to our January winners!



15/1/16 - Jack McGonigle (1st) - €102
Bonus Prize: Free Swimming: Ciara McCarthy (3rd)

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

Our draws will take place each Friday so keep bringing in your €2. Our next bonus draw will be before the mid-term break on **Friday 12th February.**



SWIMMING

Swimming lessons for children (1st to 6th) class has been taking place in Clonmel Swimming Pool since **Friday 15th January**. In all there are 9 swimming lessons. If you have only paid €25 for half the lessons please note the second instalment falls due on **Friday 12th February.**

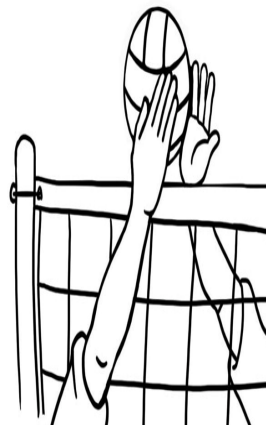


A.S.A.P. continues with gymnastics for pupils in 1st to 4th class. Please note there are only two more dates in this block - Wed 3rd & Wed 10th February. There is **no A.S.A.P.** on Wed 17th February.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK/GRANDPARENTS MASS Catholic Schools week takes place from **31st January - 6th February**. To mark this there will be a Mass in the Parish Church on **Monday 1st February @ 9.45am**. Children from both schools will be celebrating the Mass to mark Grandparents Day. All Grandparents, Parents and extended family members are welcome to attend.

SPIKEBALL

Pupils from 5th & 6th class have been having Spikeball coaching with three Transition Year students from Rockwell College. This coaching takes place each Tuesday 2 - 3pm for six weeks in total, ending with a blitz in Rockwell college on **Thursday 3rd March.**



ORDERS FOR CÁMOGIE/HURLING EQUIPMENT

If anybody wishes to purchase hurleys, helmets, footballs or hurling gloves at subsidised prices please complete and return the form already sent to you by **Wednesday 24th February**

Example of prices:

Mini Mycro Helmets €35

Mini Marc Helmets €35

26" hurleys €8, 30" hurleys €10

