



Scoil Mhuire Gan Smál New Inn

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Dates to remember

- **March 22nd - Fri**
Closing - Easter Hols-
12 noon
- **April 8th - Mon**
Re -opening
- **April 10th - Wed**
WOW resumes
- **May 6th - Mon**
Closed - Bank Hol
- **May 14th -Tuesday -**
Confirmation
- **May 25th - Sat**
1st Holy Communion
- **June 3rd - Mon**
Closed - Bank Hol
- **12th - 19th June -**
Active Schools Week
- **June 12th - Wed -**
Junior Tour-
(Juniors - 1st Class)
9.30am-3.10pm
- **June 14th - Fri -**
Sports Day
- **June 19th - Wed -**
Senior Tour
(2nd - 6th Class)

ACTIVE SCHOOLS WEEK

This year our Active Schools Week takes place on **12th - 19th June**. Our week kicks off with our Junior Tour. Children from Juniors to 1st class will go to the sports complex in Tipperary for a morning of games and activities. This will be followed by a more relaxed afternoon when children will be able to relax in the Excel Cinema and view the latest movie. (more details closer to the date).

On Thursday 13th June we will have camógie and hopefully a challenge match for the older girls, while younger pupils will have a camógie/hurling skills display. Certificates will be awarded.

Friday 14th June will be our Sports Day.

Monday 17th we will have a dance display from 1- 2pm and a ceilí from 2- 3pm in the hall.

On Tuesday 18th there will be a local history/geography nature walk for junior classes in the morning and senior classes in the afternoon.

And on Wednesday 19th we will finish off our week with an action packed day in Tra-
bolgan, Co. Cork for 2nd - 6th class pupils.
(Please note school will be closed for Jun-
iors, Seniors and 1st class). The girls will
go swimming and on go-karts, bungee
trampolines, combat laser and a zip wire.
A great day is expected!



FOOD DUDES

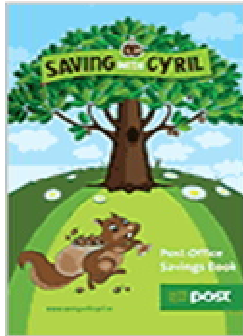
Starting the week of April 22nd we will be having the "Food Dudes" in school! Each day for three weeks children will be given packs of fruit and vegetables to eat. Prizes will be awarded to those who eat (and swallow) the fruit and vegetables! This is a great time to encourage your child to have his/her "5 a day" and also to try out new foods. It also is a good time to re-affirm our healthy lunches policy and to add extra fruit or veg to your child's lunchbox. Check out "www.fooddudes.ie



SAVING STAMPS

Saving stamps are still available in the office at a cost of €1 each. Now might be a good time to start saving for your school tour.

If you started saving now and saved €2 a week you would have €28 by the time the tour comes around!

**THANKS!**

Many thanks to **Cyril Fitzgerald** who is in the process of securing 30 trees for the school from Coillte and will plant them in the camógie field.

Go raibh maith agat!

**SEACHTAIN NA GAEILGE.**

..took place on **11th - 16th March**. All the children and teachers made a special effort to speak "as Gaeilge" during "am SOS" agus "am lón".

Bhí craic agus spóirt again sa halla ag damsha! Great fun was had by all while learning our traditional Irish dances for our céilí which is to be held on **Friday 22nd March**.

**W.O.W.**

Walk on Wednesdays - Last year we started a "Walk on Wednesdays" programme, as part of our active schools activities. We hope to resume this after Easter starting on **Wednesday 10th April**. That means each Wednesday morning we meet in the G.A.A. field at 9.20am and walk together to school. Children will be provided with "high vis" jackets. We hope that as many parents as possible will join us in our W.O.W. The school buses will drop children at the G.A.A. field each Wednesday morning for the summer term.

**READING: Tips for Parents**

- Discuss your child's library book with him/her. Get him/her to predict what will happen next.
- Talk about the pictures in the book and on the cover (especially with younger children).
- Help your child to pick a book from the library by reading the blurb at the back of the book.

Recommended books this month:

- **Junior:** 1. "Danny's Smelly Toothbrush" by Brianóg Brady Dawson.
2. "Are You There Baby Bear" by Catherine Walters
- **Middle:** 1. "Stanley" by Peter Gunning
2. "The Great Pig Escape" by Linda Moller
- **Senior:** 1. "I am David" by Anne Holm
2. "Arctic Memories" by Normee Ekoomiak

**Congratulations to the following who celebrated their birthday between 1/1/13 - 31/3/13****Junior Infants**

Rowan Barrett
Conor Hayes
Cara Hennessy
Derry Matthia
Lilly Mulcahy
Sienna O' Dwyer
Ryan O' Grady

Senior Infants

Maeve Carroll
Ciará Fitzpatrick
Nathan McDowell
Margaret McGrath
Freya McKenna
Emily McNamara
Anna O' Donoghue

1st Class

Clara Matthia
Jack Moloney
Cian O' Brien
Corey Prendergast

2nd Class

Christina Rose Longworth
Lucy Mulcahy

3rd Class

Niamh O' Brien
Eimear O' Brien

4th Class

Éabha Carroll
Ellie Pollard
Éadaoin Prendergast

5th Class

Róisín Doyle
Laura O' Gorman
Rachel O' Grady
Róisín Whelan

6th Class

Karin Blair
Caoimhe Crosse
Aislinn Kelly & Eimear Peters

