



Scoil Mhuire Gan Smál New Inn

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Dates to remember

• Fri 8th Dec

Please note school will be **open**. Children will attend 11am Mass in Parish Church

• Mon 11th Dec

Junior & Senior Infant
Concert @ 1pm

• Mon & Tues 11th & 12th Dec @ 8 pm

1st—6th class Concert

• Thurs 14th Dec

Junior infant Vaccinations

• Friday 22nd Dec

Closing 12noon

Christmas Holidays

• Mon 8th Jan

School re-opens

• Wed 17th Jan

In-Service for teachers
(school closed)

**This is an extra school
closing that was not on
your school calendar**

• Fri 19th Jan

Swimming

• Mid-Term

Thurs & Fri
15th & 16th Feb

CONCERT

Our annual concert is back this year after our break last year due to the building work. The Junior & Senior Infants will perform on Monday 11th December @ 1pm while 1st to 6th class will be performing on Monday 11th & Tuesday 12th December @ 8pm. Preparations are well underway at the moment and a great treat is in store for our audiences! We look forward to seeing you at our shows.

The Parents Council are holding a meeting **tonight (Wed 29th Nov) @ 8pm** to discuss concert preparations, your help and support would be appreciated.

A.S.A.P.

After School Activity Programme (1st—4th class) is run in conjunction with Parents on Wednesdays from 3.10—4pm. The idea is that pupils are in small groups and are active for as much time as possible and are not waiting for their turn to come as can be the case in a regular P.E. class where there is one teacher to 28/29 pupils. Ideally in ASAP groups should be 6/7 pupils max.



Currently we only have one parent helping with this initiative and two teachers and approx. 30 children therefore the groups are made up of 9/10 pupils. We really would appreciate it if one more parent could help out. A.S.A.P. takes place in blocks of 5/6 weeks. We will be hoping to have another block after Christmas possibly starting 24th January.

BOOK FAIR



We had a very busy week in the run up to the Mid-Term break and on the Thursday 26th we had a book fair. It had been quite a while since we last had a book fair and we were delighted with the way parents supported this. All of the money collected goes to Scholastic but we get a percentage of the profit with which we can buy books from the Book Fair or the Scholastics catalogue. Each teacher was able to get €200 worth of books for her class to supplement the class library or the reading material for the children.

We would like to remind you that the Student Council run a book club each Friday where children from 3rd to 6th class swap books among each other.

SCHOOL CLOSURE

School will be closed on **Wednesday 17th January 2018** to facilitate teacher's in-service on the new English/Irish language curriculum. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

DARE TO SCARE

On **Friday 27th October** we had a “Dare to Scare” - dress up day and we raised €401 for the Irish Cancer Society. Once again many thanks for your support. “It is in giving that we receive!”

Who is this witch?



TEAM HOPE™
Christmas shoebox appeal

Operation Christmas are delighted to report we collected 73 shoeboxes from the school this year to send to children in less well off places. Your generosity will brighten some child's Christmas morning.

Many thanks.

JUNIOR INFANT VACCINATIONS

On **Thursday 14th December** pupils in Junior Infants will receive 4 in 1 and MMR vaccinations in school. The relevant consent forms have already been issued to parents. Please return these promptly to school.

Congratulations to our recent winners!

10/11/17—Charlie McGonigle (1st) - €64
17/11/17—Abigail Moore (4th) - €76
24/11/17— Emily (5th) & Holly (J) McNamara—€75



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Text a Parent is an app which is available to download onto your smartphone. For those of you who use smartphones we would appreciate if you could download this app as it will reduce our cost of sending text messages.

Thanking you for your co-operation.

Swimming lessons will commence in Clonmel Swimming Pool for pupils from 1st—6th class on Friday 19th January 2018 until Friday 16th March (9 weeks in total).

There will be no swimming on Friday 16th February as we have mid term on Thursday 15th & Friday 16th February.

Swimming lessons will cost €50, due Thursday 18th January or in two instalments of €25 each due by 18th January & 22nd February.



School Calendar

This year The Parents Council are producing a school calendar and they will be available for sale during the Christmas concert @ **€10** each.

Your support would be very much appreciated.

SCHOOL FEES

Many thanks to all who have paid their school fees, and a reminder to anyone who has yet to do so, we would be grateful if you could try to pay as soon as possible.