



Scoil Mhuire Gan Smál New Inn

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Dates to remember

- **8th Dec - Monday**
Closed, Holy Day
- **10th Dec - Wed**
1pm - Concert Matinee
(Junior & Senior Infants)
- **10th Dec - Wed**
8pm - Concert
(1st - 6th Class)
- **11th Dec - Thurs**
8pm - Concert
(1st - 6th Class)
- **19th Dec - Friday**
 - Closing **12 noon**
 - Christmas Hols
- **5th Jan - Monday**
 - Re-open

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SHOWTIME!

School concert preparations are well under way and excitement is building among the children. We hope our new arrangements for this year's concert work out well for us and for parents and that everyone gets to see their son or daughter perform. We appreciate that some parents may be trying to get to both a matinee and a night show but with our large numbers we wouldn't have been able to accommodate parents of all pupils in the hall at one time and on the grounds of health and safety, having a junior and senior concert was the best arrangement we could come up with. We hope you will be as understanding as possible.

Show times are:

Junior & Senior Infants - Wednesday 10th December @ 1pm

1st - 6th Class - Wednesday 10th & Thursday December 11th @ 8pm

Enjoy the show!

PYJAMA DAY

On **Friday 24th October** we held a Pyjama Day for Temple Street Hospital. Children and teachers came to school in their night attire and donated €2 for the privilege of doing so! In all we sent €367 to Temple St. Well done to all who supported this. Anita O' Dwyer from Little Treasures was providing Candy Floss to children in the After School Club and those on the premises after 2.30pm were lucky enough to be given this special treat too!

Check out our website for photos!



I'm sure at this stage all parents are aware that we are making a huge effort to speak the "cúpla focal" in class, on the yard and around the school.

I must say the pupils from Junior Infants to 6th class are really embracing the "gaeilge neamh-fhoirmiúil" - (informal Irish) and are eagerly trying to be Gaeilgeoir na Seachtáine" each week. You can support your child by trying to speak a little bit of Irish at home. Each week we have "Frasaí na Seachtáine" - (phrases of the week). We will post some of these on our website and you can practise these at home with your child.



"Bain triail as!" (Give it a go!)

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We had 74 returned "uniform survey" forms which is $74/89 = 83\%$.
The results were as follows:-

39 - no change (to maintain current uniform) - $39/74 = 53\%$
35 - to change to one single colour - $35/74 = 47\%$



The following are the results of the 35 who wished to change to a single colour:-

14 = Red (40%), 5 = Navy (14%), 14 = Royal Blue (40%), 2 = colour not chosen (6%)

As the majority voted to maintain what we have - it is proposed to have no change. However, we will give a copy of our crest to Uniform World, and next year Parents can choose where they wish to obtain their uniform from - either O' Dwyers Drapery, Friar St., Cashel or Uniform World, Ard Gaoithe Business Park, Cashel Rd., Clonmel. Parents will order and collect directly from either supplier. More details on pricing will be given next May/June.

Gerardine Cooney would like to sincerely thank everyone for the tremendous response to her appeal for gifts for her recent trip to Vietnam. Gerardine will visit the school in the near future to show the children some photographs from her trip and explain in more detail the work she is involved in.

SHOEBOX APPEAL

Many thanks to everyone who donated shoeboxes. 70 boxes were collected in total. This Christmas as your child opens his/her presents you can be sure that there is another child in a less well off country delighted and excited to be opening the shoebox you have donated.



SPLIT THE POT is proving to be a great success again this year. Thanks for your support and thanks again to the Parents Council for their assistance.

Here are the winners from the beginning of the school year:-



8th Sept - Oisin McGivern - €93
15th Sept - Tom O' Donnell - €94
22nd Sept - Lucy Quinn - €88
29th Sept - Lucy Mai Longworth - €107
6th Oct - Joe & Maya Hughes - € 98
13th Oct - Peter Perry - €95
20th Oct - Bernie Dudley - €106
& Bonus Prize - Sarah Fitzgerald - Golf Set

3 Nov - Conor Hally - €89
10th Nov - Lou Matthia - €101
17th Nov - Ava Harnett - €81
& Bonus Prize - Cathe Richardson - Wrestling tickets

Reminder

School will be closed on Monday 8th December -

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

BOWLING

We are always trying to keep our pupils active and ensure that they enjoy a wide variety of sports. As part of our "Active School Plan" this month pupils from 2nd - 6th class went bowling to Clonmel on **Tuesday 11th November**. They really enjoyed the day and had great fun. It was a pleasure to be able to bring them on this treat day especially as their behaviour was excellent.



Well done to all. Remember it costs nothing to be nice and polite! As Mrs. Ryan always says "It's nice to be important but it's important to be nice!"



Údarás Um Shábháilteacht Ar Bhóithre
Road Safety Authority

We had a visit from R.S.A. to school on **Monday 17th November**. Ciaran Smithers come into each class and gave an excellent presentation to all children. Hopefully children's awareness of Road Safety will help to prevent accidents in the future - Remember to "Buckle Up!"

SWIMMING:

Lessons for 1st to 6th class pupils will be taking place in Term 2 in Clonmel. We will be going to the pool for 9 weeks starting **Friday 16th January**. Swimming will cost €50 per pupil. More details at a later stage.