

Scoil Mhuire Gan Smál New Inn

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Dates to remember

- Oct 29th Nov 2nd -Mid term (Mon - Fri)
- Dec 5th & 6th
 Christmas Concert
 (Wednesday 1pm
 Thursday 8pm)
- Dec 21st -Closing -Christmas Hols
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- Jan 7th -School reopens
- May 14th -Tuesday -Provisional date for confirmation



Don't forget to check out our website:

www.newinngirlsschool.ie

FINANCE SURVEY

Many thanks to those who returned the finance survey - all replies were carefully read and many people had good ideas regarding fundraising. Others were happy to contribute once everybody was doing likewise and the burden shared.

Unfortunately we can not guarantee that everyone will give a voluntary contribution. It is after all "voluntary". However, we do feel very heartened by the response received from you and indeed most grateful to those who volunteered to help with maintenance and repairs in a voluntary capacity. The future looks much better for us as a result of your generosity.

Money is particularly tight at the moment as usually we would be receiving a "Minor Works" grant of approx €8,000 in November which has been cut completely. We are not due to receive any money now until the end of January when part of our capitation grant is due. As previously stated all maintenance and repairs will be kept to a minimum but the school is almost 50 years old so we must realistically expect some repairs to be required. It is difficult to run a school on a grant of €3.42 per child per week! However we will plough on and hopefully **each family** will be able to contribute €20 per term. A suggested time frame for the payment of this voluntary contribution is around the Halloween mid-term, the February mid term and after the Easter Holidays.

Once again thanks for your support.

A.S.A.P.

It is hoped to start A.S.A.P. "After School Activity Programme" for children in 1st - 4th class. This is a fun, games and sports programme run with the help from parents for 50 minutes to 1 hour one evening a week directly after school.

Any parent who is willing to help out in any way please contact the school before the mid-term break.









CROSS COUNTRY EVENTS

Thurles 3/10/12



5th/6th class team - Gold medal winners!



3rd/4th class team - Well done!

Clonmel 24/10/12

Two teams from 3rd & 4th and two teams from 5th & 6th took part in a cross country event in Clonmel on Wednesday 24th October 2012. There was approx 1,200 children in total competing.

Congratulations to all who participated. Both teams (Division 1 & Division 2) in 3th & 4th class got bronze medals while Division 1 in 5th & 6th claimed gold and Division 2 in 5th & 6th got bronze.

These girls have been a credit to their school, not only did they do extremely well in the cross country but they behaved very well on both days out too. Well done to Ciara Parker who secured an individual silver medal in Thurles and a bronze medal in Clonmel. Many thanks to Mary Doyle for all her great help in preparing the girls for this event.

TIPPERARY LIBRARIES

Tipperary Libraries has a new website, <u>www.tipperarylibraries.ie</u>. This site is designed to give all customers easy and quick access to information about library events in their town and across the county. The site is also a facility in its own right with access to the catalogue, free Britannica Online and the option to watch and listen to podcasts from author visits and lecture series."

Orienteering

Our orienteering outing (5th & 6th class) to Clonmel fell victim to the wet weather and was cancelled on 17th October. It is hoped to have it rescheduled after the mid-term break.



** This year our annual concert will be on

** Wednesday 5th and Thursday 6th

** December. We have been asked by the

** Parents Council to consider having a

** matinee, so our Wednesday show will be

** @ 1pm and our Thursday show will be @

** 8pm. We hope you will find our new

** schedule more family friendly and

** equally enjoyable.

LOST/FOUND UNIFORMS

We have a large selection of jumpers, jackets, tracksuit bottoms that remain unclaimed since last year. Please feel free to call to the school to check and see if any item belongs to your child.

Also, a child is missing a navy tracksuit bottoms (11 - 12 years). Please check in case your child may have brought it home in error.

Birthdays!! 1/9/12 - 31/10/12

Junior Infants

Lucy Mai Longworth Eoin Rice

Senior Infants

Eoin Flanagan Nessa Moloney

1st Class

Lisa Blair Caitlin Clifford Aisling Fitzpatrick Niamh Perry

3rd Class

Aoibhe Bergin Davina Ryan

5th Class

Éabha Burke Shanahan



DUTY OF CARE

A reminder - Please note that the Board of Management will only accept responsibility for pupils between 9.20am and 3.10pm (2.10pm infants). Parents dropping children before 9.20am or not collecting before 3.20pm do so at their own risk.

CHRISTMAS SHOE BOX APPEAL

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Please note that the closingdate for sending in shoe boxes has been extended to **Monday 5th November**.

