



Scoil Mhuire Gan Smál New Inn

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Dates to remember

- **Bank Holiday**
Closed Mon 6th Feb
 - **Parent/Teacher Meetings**
Mon & Tues
13th & 14th Feb
Closing at 2pm Mon
 - **Mid term break**
Closed Thurs & Fri
16th & 17th February
 - **Bank Holiday**
Closed Fri 17th March
St.Patrick's Day
 - **Easter Holidays**
Closing 12noon on
Friday 31st March
 - **Re-open**
Monday 17th April
 - **First Holy Communion**
Saturday 29th
April 2023 @ 11am
 - **Confirmation**
Tuesday 9th May
2023 @ 11am
- SCHOOL CLOSED**

BT PRIMARY YOUNG SCIENTIST EXHIBITION



Congratulations to 6th class for qualifying for the BT Primary Young Scientist Competition which took place in the RDS Dublin on 13th January. Their project titled "Are pets good for your Health and Wellbeing" proved very popular at the event.

The children conducted various scientific experiments and research to determine the benefits of animals for people's wellbeing while also inviting Guide Dogs Ireland to visit the school and highlight their importance to society.

The children's stand was visited by Tánaiste Micheal Martin who commented on the extent of their project.

Sincere thanks to Camida who provided us with sponsorship for the trip.



SPLIT THE POT— Congratulations to all our winners!



Kate O’ Dwyer 5th class—€67.20 - 13/1/23



Elin (2nd) & Ella Mai O’ Gorman (4th) - €55—20/1/23



Saoirse McGivern (4th) - €55—27/1/23

SEPTEMBER 2023

We are currently in the process of sending "Application for Enrolment" forms to those wishing to start school with us in September. If your child is due to enrol with us and is **not attending Little Treasures** kindly contact us and we will send you a form.

Telephone 052 7462122 or email info@newinngirlsschool.ie

GAA COACHING

Since Christmas Ellen has replaced our previous GAA coach—Denis. We are delighted to have a new coach in place. Our thanks to the local GAA club for providing this coaching to the school

FUNDAMENTAL MOVEMENT SKILLS

Barry Burke will continue to coach fundamental movement skills/Football to pupils from all classes

Our thanks again to local GAA club.

FIS

Best of luck to 5th & 6th class who will travel to the Helix for the FÍS film awards on **Wednesday 22nd February**.

The sale of Christmas logs raised €451.20 which will go towards the cost of the trip. Special mention to Michael Purcell in The Shop who sold the logs that remained unsold after the Christmas show on our behalf.

MUSIC GENERATION

Niamh will continue to give music tuition to 1st to 6th class pupils. Sincere thanks to the Parents Association for subsidising this.

2nd to 6th class will continue learning the button accordion and 1st class programme is based on primary beats.

PARENT/TEACHER MEETINGS

Parent/Teacher meetings will take place on **13th & 14th February 2023**. At this stage you should already have received notification by text.

This year, you can have the option of meeting your child's class teacher in person or receiving a phone call. Parents who have children attending Mrs. Harrington (SET) will meet her face to face.

We will be closing at 2pm on Monday 13th February to facilitate Parent/Teacher meetings. Buses will run at that time.

SWIMMING

Swimming lessons for 3rd to 6th class pupils will take place in Clonmel Swimming Pool for 6 weeks:-

Monday 17/4/23, 24/4/23, 8/5/23, 15/5/23, 22/5/23 and 29/5/23.

Further details nearer the time

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION....

Will take place on **Saturday 29th April at 11am**. The boys and girls will receive the sacrament at the same time.

The children will make their First Confession on Thursday 2nd March.

HURLING/CAMOGIE BLITZ

1st and 2nd class pupils travelled to Cashel Community School on **Wednesday 25th January** for a blitz. Each child gave it their all and enjoyed the trip.



COMMUNICATION TO PARENTS

As we have almost used up our credits in "textaparent" SMS messaging we will shortly be switching to Whatsapp messaging which will be more cost effective.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEEKS 22nd JANUARY—29TH JANUARY

Children made cards for their grandparents as part of Catholic Schools Week to show how much they mean to them.



CAHIR CREDIT UNION QUIZ

We had an under 11 and an under 13 team competing in the Cahir Credit Union Schools quiz on **Friday 27th January**. Congratulations to both teams who did really well with our under 13 team just missing out winning by a tie breaker.



Under 13 team

Sarah Stafford, Annie Flynn,
Lucy O' Connor and Leah
Lonergan

Under 11 team

Ciara O' Brien, Ella
Mai O' Gorman,
Lauren Lonergan and
Mary Jane O' Connor



CHILDREN'S ART



Ms. Bourke/Ms. Wallace

Ms. Kinane's





Mr. McLoughlin's

Ms. Bailey's





Mrs. McMillan

Scoil Mhuire gan Smál | Tipperary

Are pets good for your health and well-being?

THE PRIMARY SCIENCE FAIR
BY YOUNG SCIENTIST & TECHNOLOGIST

BT Young Scientist Primary Science Fair 2023, RDS, Dublin
Sixth Class, Scoil Mhuire Gan Smál, New Inn, Cashel, Co. Tipperary.

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Visit of Irish Guide Dogs to our School

Facts about Irish Guide Dogs

Irish Guide Dogs are trained to help blind people. They are trained to guide their owners, fetch items, and perform other tasks. They are trained to be obedient and to work with their owners. They are trained to be friendly and to be able to work in a variety of environments. They are trained to be able to work in a variety of environments. They are trained to be able to work in a variety of environments.

Importance of working dogs for people

Working dogs are dogs that help with your disabilities or...

Conclusions

Interaction with pets... benefits of contact... reduce loneliness, increase feelings of social support, and boost your mood.

Pets promote exercise as many a pet can lead to regular walking or playing with pets can decrease blood pressure.

Cats can also improve your mental health and boost your immune system. Rubbing the head of them on your face can help reduce stress and anxiety.

Having a dog for only 18 minutes can raise hemoglobin in all 1000 cells in our bodies, an antibody that helps protect against infection.

A pet can provide you with a sense of purpose, which helps improve your health. Pets can also help you feel better and healthy. If you have a pet, you can share and you are also responsible for taking care of them. Pets bring a sense of pride and self-esteem.

Pets help with your mental health and walking and are so important for the day to day lives of people!

Best pets for people with special needs

Autism: A cat may be the perfect low-key pet for your child with autism.

ADHD: Labradors and Golden Retrievers are very gentle and help people with ADHD calm down.

Disabled: Gold fish are a great way of keeping a disabled person calm and relaxed.

Visit of Bailey to our School

Results of our tests

Yes we conclude that pets are definitely good for your health and well-being!

STEM

The school (5th/6th) joins 6 other schools in Ireland to partake in a pilot programme involving STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths). Below is an outline of the programme.

STEAM School is an 8 week curriculum-linked blended learning programme delivered by Make Create Innovate for young people and teachers in primary and post primary schools. Each week participants are introduced to low-cost everyday materials (including motors, LEDs, circuitry and recycled materials, as well as microcontroller, MaKey MaKey), through a combination of video learning content and live Zoom support sessions with expert tutors.

Our STEAM School programme provides not only a pathway to STEM education, but also to vocational learning through creative, engaging and practical activities. A short video of the programme can be viewed at <https://youtu.be/ZDib1xHNxw>

