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## Weekly School Newsletter 5/10/18

### DALTA NA SEACHTAINE

Juniors: Michael O'Reilly & Ella Hickey

Seniors: Ryan Vaughan & Adah Brigdale

1<sup>st</sup> Class: Zara Cheema

2<sup>nd</sup> Class: Reece Corbett

3<sup>rd</sup> Class: Odinn Nolan & Mary Angela Mulkere

4<sup>th</sup> Class: Jamie Keehan

5<sup>th</sup> Class: Rory Tynan

6<sup>th</sup> Class: Mark Davoren

### READER OF THE WEEK:

1<sup>st</sup> Class: Lia McAllen

2<sup>nd</sup> Class: Adam Guerin

3<sup>rd</sup> Class: Sarah Cullinan & Jake Wherrett

4<sup>th</sup> Class: Luke Farrell

5<sup>th</sup> Class: Keelin Forde

6<sup>th</sup> Class: James O'Sullivan

### GORT COMMUNITY SCHOOL BLITZ 2018

Thank you to Colm Madden, Gort Community School for inviting 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> classes to participate in the 2018 G.C.S. Primary Hurling and Camogie Blitz. The students had a great day and met some Galway and Clare hurlers on the day. Check out our school website for some photographs from the event.

### OPEN DAY

Gort Community School will hold an Open Day for all current 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> class pupils on this Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October from 10.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. Full details on the above at [www.gortcs.com](http://www.gortcs.com)

### CHEWING GUM CONCERN

Pupils should **not** bring chewing gum to school. Chewing gum should be disposed of carefully by using a bin.

### FRIENDSHIP WEEK

During the week the school focused our attention on the theme of 'friendship'.

1. Pupils in all classes worked on topics related to the theme of 'friendship' during the week.
2. Some pupils worked with their partner/buddy and made a friendship bracelets and book marks to celebrate the importance of friendship in a concrete and fun way.
3. Pupils were reminded that the school 'Buddy Bench' can be used to help children who may need a friend at play time.

### DUTY OF CARE

Parents are responsible for the welfare of their children until the school's duty of care begins at 9:10 a.m. There is no supervision provided to children who arrive at school earlier than 9.10 a.m. We ask that your child arrive by 9:20 a.m. so that classes can start punctually.

### SCHOOL CHAPLAIN

Fr. Damien Nolan will take over as school chaplain from Mrs. Josephine Kearney. The school would like to thank Mrs. Kearney for all her support and work as school chaplain over the past two years.

### GIRLS' SOCCER NEWS

Congratulations to Grace Gleeson, (6<sup>th</sup> class) and to the U12 soccer team 'Fern Celtic' who will compete in the National Finals of the Challenge Cup in Dublin this Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October. Best of luck to all involved.

## UPCOMING INTERNET SAFETY EVENING

Clare Joint Policing Committee (JPC) is organising a free 'Child Safety On-line' information evening in Ennis on Thursday, 25 October for parents and teachers and anyone working with young people. The event will feature a presentation by Dr. Maureen Griffin, a forensic psychologist and Director of MGMS Training Limited, who has visited over 700 schools across Ireland speaking to children, teachers and parents on issues around social media and the challenges they present. The upcoming free talk will take place in The Great Hall, Templegate Hotel, Ennis at 7.30 p.m. on Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> October 2018. Enquiries to [clarejpc@clarecoco.ie](mailto:clarejpc@clarecoco.ie).  
<http://www.clarecoco.ie/community/news/clare-jpc-hosts-information-evening-on-internet-safety.html>

## TEAM HOPE CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX APPEAL

It's that time of year again when we begin to think of others less fortunate than ourselves. We have a proud tradition in our school of helping the Team Hope Christmas Child Shoebox appeal and we hope to continue this again in early November. Information leaflets have been distributed to all pupils. If you would like to bring joy to a needy child in Europe or Africa, you can wrap and fill an adult sized shoebox with something to WASH with, WEAR—a small clothes item, WRITE—school supplies, especially copybooks and WOW—a toy or something fun. **Please return your shoebox to your class teacher before Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October.**



Clare County Council would like to raise awareness of *October re-use month 2018*. Pupils received bookmarks this week to raise awareness of this initiative.

## THE WEEKS AHEAD

- **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October** - Gort Community School Open Day from 10.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.
- **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October** – Girls football blitz in Clarecastle.
- **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October** - First Holy Communion Parents' Talk 7:30pm Ruan Community Hall. (Beside the church)
- **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October** Confirmation Parents' talk at 7:30 p.m. in Ruan Community Hall.
- **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> October – Maths Week**
- **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October** – 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Class pupils will travel to Ruan to play hurling and camogie (weather permitting)
- **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October** – Pupils from Junior & Senior Infants will travel to Glór in Ennis, to see "How to Catch a Star"
- **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October** – Closing date for Team Hope Shoe Box Appeal
- **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October** – The school will be closed to facilitate voting in the Presidential Election.
- **Hallowe'en Break** - The school will close from **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November** inclusive.
- **Swimming Lessons** each Thursday starting from Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February to Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April for pupils from 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> classes
- **4th April 2019** – 3<sup>rd</sup> Class pupils travel to Quilty Beach to take part in a Seashore Safari Module with Loop Head Summer Hedge School.
- **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2019** First Holy Communion Mass at St. Cronan's Church, Crusheen @ 11 a.m.
- **Saturday 8th June 2019** Sacrament of Confirmation @ 11 a.m. at St. Cronan's Church, Crusheen.

## CRUSHEEN PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

Crusheen Parents' Association have had a What's App group for parents for the last few years and it has been a huge success. The Parents' Association would like to invite every parent to join this group. This would ensure that all parents are receiving the information that is sent out and everyone will be informed about items that are posted. Some parents may be missing out on important messages, for example, parent surveys, class information etc, If you would like your name to be added to the Crusheen Parents' What's App group please text Órlaith Daffy on 086 3214055 with your name and number.

The Parents Association also have a Facebook Page called '*Crusheen N.S. Parents Association*'.

### **Please note that the parents' representatives for the classes this year are:**

**Junior Infants** - Buddy Corbett  
085 7024678

**Senior Infants** - Claire Harkin/Emma Ryan

087 7582063 / 085 7270709

**First Class** - Denise Cheema.  
087 9426604

**Second Class** - Amanda O'Donovan  
087 9798259

**Third Class** - Annette Creed.  
086 3613417

**Fourth Class** - Helen Keehan  
086 8145069

**Fifth Class** - Ger Tynan  
086 2291450

**Sixth Class** - Deirdre O'Donnell  
087 6541849

## SEANFHOCAL NA SEACHTAINE - IRISH PHRASE OF THE WEEK

*An rud is annamh is iontach.-  
What's seldom is wonderful*

## Crusheen Camogie 50/50 draw

Crusheen Camogie are hosting a 50/50 draw. The 50/50 envelopes are available at Clarke's, Crusheen. Place €2 in the envelope and write your name and phone number on it. The draw will take place every Wednesday.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING CRUSHEEN COMMUNITY PLAYGROUND

The Directors of Crusheen Community Playground are stepping down on 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2018. They have been in place since 2008 and were successful in achieving funding to construct and maintain the playground which opened in 2012.

The playground now needs a new committee to maintain & manage the playground and ensure that Insurance and other necessary maintenance bills are paid each year.

Unfortunately, the playground is in danger of being closed permanently, if a new management committee is not in place by 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2018.

If your family have benefitted from use of the playground and you would like to get involved, please attend a meeting on **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm** in Fogarty's Pub.

It is vital that the community works together to ensure that we can keep our playground open for the current generation of children and the generations to come.

Many thanks

The Committee of Crusheen Community  
Playground.





