

# School Newsletter 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2022



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Crusheen, Co. Clare.  
Scoil Náisiúnta Ínse Chrónáin  
Croisín, Co. An Chláir.



## Dalta na Seachtaine

**Juniors:** Tadhg Wallace & James Ryan

**Seniors:** Donal Óg Dillon

**1<sup>st</sup> Class:** Rita Mulkere

**2<sup>nd</sup> Class:** Landon Morrish & Theresa Mulkere

**3<sup>rd</sup> Class:** Ciara Wallace & Ciara O'Connor

**4<sup>th</sup> Class:** Meaghan Glynn & CJ O'Doherty

**5<sup>th</sup> Class:** Evan Wherrett & Emily Slevin

**6<sup>th</sup> Class:** Ciara White Kelly, Reece Corbett & Stephen Morrish

## Acting Principal New Email address

Mr. Barry Millane will assume the role as acting principal next Monday, November 14th. He can be contacted on the following email address  
[actingprincipal1@crusheennns.com](mailto:actingprincipal1@crusheennns.com)

## Godly Play Report (Senior classes)

Two weeks ago we had our first Godly Play session with Josephine. She told us about the story of Creation and life. After the play we did some art work. After that we said a prayer and ate our feast of Rich Tea and Chocolate Digestive biscuits! We hung up the Godly Play pictures in our classroom. We really enjoy attending our Godly Play sessions! *By Shaun Woods and Joseph Mulkere, 6th class*

## Kindness Week/ Friendship Week Report – Junior Infants

This week we are celebrating Kindness & Friendship week. We are being super friends by sharing, taking turns and listening to one another. We love playing with our friends. We also made friendship cards for each other. We will all bring one home on Friday!

## Kindness Week/ Friendship Week – Seniors & 1st Classes

This week we celebrated kindness by talking about different ways to be kind to one another. We made a friendship flower pot in our classroom and cut out our handprints to represent the flowers. Some things you can do to spread kindness is giving compliments, picking up litter or telling someone a joke to make them laugh.

Why was 6 afraid of 7?

Because 7, 8, 9! ☐

*By Ethan O'Rourke (Senior Infants) & Jack Dillon (First Class)*

### Kindness Week/ Friendship Week Report – 2<sup>nd</sup> Class

Kindness goes a long way and if everyone does some kindness the world will be a better place. We learned some kindness songs and drew some kindness pictures. We have a random act of kindness board and we did some kind acts for others. Maybe you could do one too!

Here are some suggestions:

You can tell someone a joke.

Hold the door open for somebody.

Pay someone a compliment.

*By Elsie O' Grady 2nd Class*

### Kindness Week/ Friendship Week – 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Classes

Random act of kindness

We have to include everybody

If you feel out or if you feel lonely just sit on the buddy bench

Say hello to pupils and ask how they are today

Pick someone up if they fall over and ask if they are ok

And that's how to be kind

*By Jared Hudson, 3<sup>rd</sup> Class*

This week is kindness week.

In our class we are making sure we are kind to everybody at home and at school

If you feel left out of games just sit on the buddy bench and somebody will see you and join you

Ask how other pupils are doing during the day

Make sure everybody is included at play time

And that's how to be kind

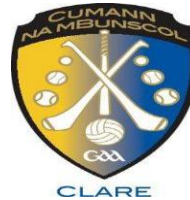
*By Ella Hickey, 3<sup>rd</sup> Class*

### Kindness Week/ Friendship Week Report -5th Class

Pupils in 5th class discussed what makes a really good friendship and what traits are desirable in a friend. We listened to and sang friendship songs and also made creations for our 'buddy'. We really enjoyed learning more about each other and strengthening relationships.

### Kindness Week/ Friendship Week Report – 6<sup>th</sup> Class

The whole school celebrated Friendship Week this week. The Student Council came around to classrooms at the start of the week to talk about Friendship and give us ideas on what to do. 6<sup>th</sup> class decided to sing Friendship songs and make secret friend gifts. We spend the week planning and making our gifts. On Friday, we presented our gifts and everyone loved them! *By Lucy Whelan, 6<sup>th</sup> class*



### Cuman na mBunscol Girls Football

On the 27<sup>th</sup> October, the girls from 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> went to Lissycasey pitch to play a Gaelic match. We left the school at 10 o'clock. Aine O' Brien came along with us and gave us some helpful tips. On that day, it was very wet so the ground was sticky. If we bounced the ball, it would get stuck. So in the end we had to try not to bounce the ball and instead just solo it. Kilrush NS were a very strong team and they held up well. Mia O' Riordan scored our only goal and it was a brilliant goal! At the end the score was 1 goal to Crusheen NS and 3 goals and 2 points to Kilrush NS. Although we were disappointed, we all knew that we had played 100%. After the match, we were brought to the adjacent playground and we had great fun there. We were delighted when we were given cookies too! We had lots of fun! *By Clodagh Harkin, 6<sup>th</sup> class*

### Cyber Break

On Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2022 our school decided to have a Cyber Break from all devices except TV. Our Cyber Break began on Friday at 5.00 p.m. and ended at 5.00 p.m. on Saturday. It was a difficult task for some pupils and it was an easy task for others. During the Cyber Break we encouraged each other. We were delighted with the amount of pupils who did take part. The Cyber Break challenge gave us the opportunity to go outside, play board games, do art and spend time with family. We look forward to doing this again soon. *By: Nadia Guilfoyle & Lily Hassett, 4<sup>th</sup> Class.*

### Halloween Fundraiser in Support of Crusheen Playground

On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October the pupils held a fundraiser for Crusheen Playground. Pupils dressed up in their Halloween costumes or in their favourite fancy dress outfit. A total of €470 euros was collected. Well done to everyone. The presentation was made to Catherine Downes on Friday, 11th November.

### Visit of Garda Lorraine (Halloween talk and Internet Safety talk)

Garda Lorraine and Garda Irene came to visit our class before Halloween. They talked to us about being safe at Halloween. They told us to be careful wearing dark clothes if we are out Trick or Treating. Garda Lorraine told us to be kind to our friends and to include everyone. It was very interesting.

*By: Ellie Horgan 2nd Class*



### Active School

On Tuesday the 25th of October Ita Seoighe from Active Schools came to visit the school. She evaluated all the activities and initiatives that have been done and are continuing to be done in the school. Following her assessment we are proud to announce that we are being awarded the Active Flag. A huge amount of work went in to making this happen, well done to all the pupils and our Active Schools Committee in particular. We will be hosting a Flag Raising Day in the coming weeks!

### Next Round of East Clare Cross Country Running

Best wishes to our great runners who have qualified for the next stage of the Cross Country Championships to

be held on the 15th of November in Lees Road. The following pupils will take part: Tommy O'Connor, Cian Vaughan, Landon Morrish, Kayden Greene, Cillian O'Donnell, Conall O'Dea, Faye Colleran, Elsie O'Grady, Cara Dillon, Natalie O'Meara, Fiadh Hassett, Sophia Murphy, Evan Wherrett, Oisín Collins, Charlie O'Connor, Ryan Vaughan, CJ O'Doherty, Luke Hanrahan, and Éadaoin Barry. Best of luck to all on the day.

### Maths Week Activities report



Junior Infants took part in Maths week with lots of maths games full of counting and colouring. We really enjoyed playing games using maths.

Senior Infants and 1<sup>st</sup> classes pupils had great fun for Maths week. We worked in pairs to play and sort all our number and pattern jigsaws. We learned a lot about different shapes.

2nd Class took part in Maths Week in lots of ways. We played some of our favourite maths games such as 101, higher/lower and card games to improve our mental maths skills. We went on a maths trail to the local park where we did lots of pattern work using natural materials.

5th class had great fun this week doing their Maths trail. We worked in groups as a team learning about



lots of different topics in Maths. It was great to get outside and enjoy the fresh air at the same time!

6th class undertook some daily fun maths target board sessions. It became very competitive as the days went by with 6th class pupils using a variety of problem-solving strategies and lots of maths language to solve the daily tasks!

### Reminder: Arrival and Home Time

Arrival at school is between 9.10 a.m. and 9.20 a.m. We ask that children do not arrive in the classrooms before 9.10 a.m. A staff member will supervise the yard and gate area.

### Headlice

Please find attached a useful link on how to deal with lice. <https://www schooldays.ie/articles/Dealing-with-head-lice>

### Sacraments Days 2022/23



The following are the dates for the celebration of the Sacraments 2023.

### First Communion Ceremony 2023

Saturday 6th May 2023 at 1.00 p.m. Crusheen

### Confirmation Ceremony 2023

Saturday 27th May at 1.00 p.m. Crusheen & Tubber/Boston (venue Crusheen)

### Reminder: 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Classes Home Time

From Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> November to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December the following will apply for home time collections:

Pupils with surnames A – L: 3.00 p.m.

Pupils with surnames M – Z: 2:55 p.m.

### Team Hope Shoebox Appeal



### Christmas Shoebox Appeal

On Monday 24<sup>th</sup> of October, we had some visitors to the school to talk to us about the Christmas Shoebox Appeal. They told us about all the nice things that we can put in our shoeboxes that children may need and enjoy! Pupils from all classes have been bringing in shoeboxes this week. The total number of boxes returned this year was 98 boxes to date. This is a great achievement, and we can be very proud of our efforts to support children who may need some help this Christmas!

### Crusheen National School Parents' Association

2022/23 Parents' Association committee has been formed. Thank you to the following parents.

Chairperson: Caroline Dillon

Secretary: Eugene Glynn

Treasurer: Celina Forde

The school is looking forward to working with the School Parents' Association.

### Parent Class Representative Name

Junior Infants: Caroline Dillon

Senior Infants: Celina Forde

First Class : Niamh O'Sullivan

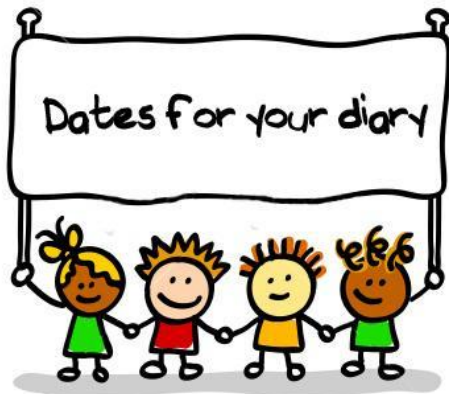
Second Class; Amanda O'Donovan

Third Class: Anne Marie O'Reilly

Fourth Class; Anne Marie O'Reilly

Fifth Class Looking for a parent to volunteer

Sixth Class: Sinead Hickey



## Upcoming School Events

### *November*

- Anti-Bullying Week Monday 14<sup>th</sup> to Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November
- Monday 14<sup>th</sup> - Shannon Leisure Centre - Swimming lessons for pupils in 3rd and 4th commence on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November. The swimming lessons will continue for 4 weeks for the following Mondays 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> November and 5<sup>th</sup> December
- Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November - County Primary Schools Cross Country Finals, Lees Road at 11.00 a.m.
- Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> – Shannon Leisure Centre Swimming lessons for pupils in 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> classes will commence on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November. The swimming lessons will run for 4 weeks on the 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> November and 7<sup>th</sup> December.
- Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Visit of Marina Levitina, Heritage in Schools - <https://www.heritageinschools.ie/heritage-expert/profile/marina-levitina>

### *December*

- Monday 12<sup>th</sup>- Ger Brick - Internet Safety Webinar for parents only at 7.00 p.m. <https://inetsafetytalk.com/who-is-ger-brick>



## Keeping children safe at the school gate

Some simple things you can do to help keep children safe around the school gate are as follows:

- Drive safely and obey the speed limits.
- Park so that your child can leave the car on the footpath side away from traffic.
- Pay attention to other children at the side and behind your car when parking, dropping off or setting off.
- Park so you don't block the flow of traffic or access for emergency vehicles (don't double park).
- Do not stop or park where there are yellow zig-zag lines along the edge of the road
- Do not park in a way that would block the school entrance or exit, residents' driveways or junctions.
- Do not park at bus stops or private parking spots.

## Hand towel for drying hands

Hand hygiene will continue to be a regular part of the school day. Can we ask you to give your child/children a small hand-towel in a bag for drying hands. This is to help reduce the amount of blue tissue being used in the school.



### Crusheen Community Centre Open Morning

Crusheen Community Centre CLG are hosting an Open Morning on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November, from 10.30-12.30 for anybody interested to come and have a look at our newly refurbished Community Centre.

We are delighted with the end result of this community effort and huge thanks to all those who continue to support through our weekly lotto & Buy a Brick fundraisers. We now have a space the parish can be proud of ! All are welcome, refreshments will be provided and we would love to see you there.

### Support Crusheen Community Centre

Please consider buying a brick, [www.crusheenc.ie](http://www.crusheenc.ie)  
Thank you for supporting the Crusheen Community Centre weekly lotto draw. Your contribution will help towards making necessary improvements to our halla. Please support Crusheen Community Centre. This link will allow you to purchase tickets for yourself or a friend, <https://bit.ly/310v1kX>

### Seanfhocal an Seachtaine



**JUNIOR HOCKEY**

ENNIS HOCKEY CLUB

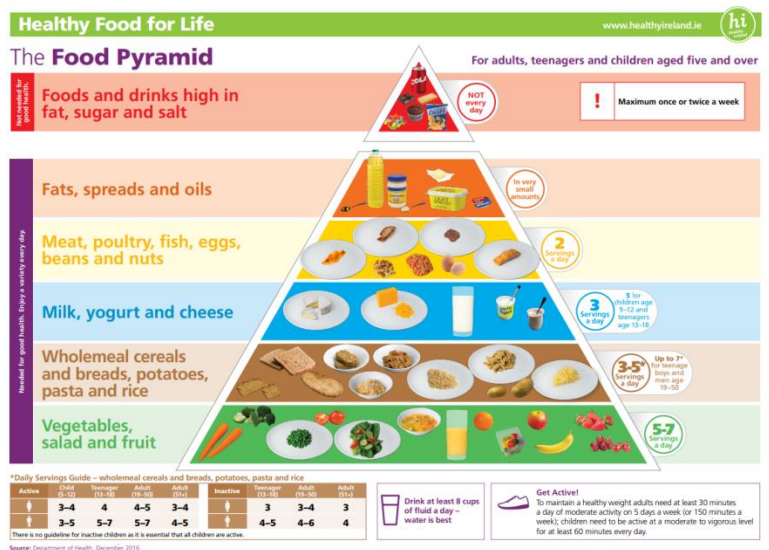
RUNNING FROM SEPTEMBER TO MAY

BE PART OF A TEAM

All age groups  
Boys and girls  
Qualified coaches  
Great FUN

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Wednesday 18:00 4th class-3rd year  
Friday 17:15 Junior Infants - 5th class  
Sunday 10:00 - 3rd year - 6th year  
Sunday 11:00 - 1st class - 4th class





# CHRISTMAS STALL & SANTA VISIT



**DECEMBER 11TH**

Santa will be coming to Crusheen on  
Sunday 11th December in Crusheen  
Community Centre when the Crusheen  
GAA Christmas Fair will take place.  
If anyone would like to have a stall at  
the fair please contact Orla -  
086/4038022 🎄

## IMEALL BÓIRNE PARISHES CHRISTMAS FOOD APPEAL



ALL DONATIONS OF NON-PERISHABLES:  
TEA, COFFEE, SUGAR, CEREAL, TINNED  
FOODS, SWEETS, BISCUITS, PASTA,  
RICE, JAMS etc....  
ARE VERY MUCH APPRECIATED AND WILL  
BE DISTRIBUTED TO LOCAL FAMILIES IN  
NEED OVER THE COMING WEEKS.

*"Working together we can improve each others lives."*



Christmas

