

# School Newsletter 21st October, 2022



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## Dalta na Seachtaine

**Juniors: Ruth O'Grady & Ian O'Donnell**

**Seniors: Ellie Danaher**

**1<sup>st</sup> Class: Jack Dillon**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Class: Faye Colleran & Seán Darcy**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Class: Andrew Farrell & Ryan Holian**

**4<sup>th</sup> Class: Saoirse Dillon & Charlie O'Connor**

**5<sup>th</sup> Class: Lily White Kelly & Makayla Lyons**

**6<sup>th</sup> Class: Lucy Whelan & Joseph Mulkere**



## Handwriting Awards

**Seniors: Brehon Moloney**

**1<sup>st</sup> Class: Siún O'Sullivan**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Class: Annie Murphy**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Class: Eilí Hanrahan & Jared Hudson**

**4<sup>th</sup> Class: Adah Brigdale & CJ O'Doherty**

**5<sup>th</sup> Class: Sarah Jane Moran & Caoimhe O'Brien**

**6<sup>th</sup> Class: Rikelme Alves & Shaun Woods**



## Harvest Mass

On Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, we went to a Harvest Mass. We sang songs and we said prayers. Second Class brought in things to put in the Sacred Space. Some people's mams and dads were there. Pupils from each class were asked to say a prayer by themselves. Ellie said the prayer for our class and she was very good. By Annie Murphy 2<sup>nd</sup> Class

## Under 16 Camogie Winners

On Monday 11th October the U16 camogie team came to visit our school because they won the final. They won a big shiny trophy. Every class got a picture taken with the team. A lot of children in our school were related to them. The team said that the final was a very hard match but they enjoyed it.

By Ella O'Donnell and Fiadh Hassett

### Cumann na mBunscol Boys Football

On Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October, the boys from 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> classes went to a football blitz in Gurteen. The first game we played Inagh Cloonanaha, we were losing by a point in the first half and were narrowly beaten at the end. In the second game we lost out to group winners Tulla after a very close first half. In our final match we played Doora. We were level at half time and in the end we lost out by a point. We had a great day.

*By: Reece Corbett & Oscar O'Shea*

### CyberBreak 2022



October is Cyber Security Awareness month. CyberBreak is happening **today Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2022**. Our school has signed up to disconnect to reconnect' by taking a complete break from the online world for 24 hours (5.00 p.m. Friday – 5.00 p.m. Saturday). We are encouraging families to do some fun activity ideas and remember when we didn't have smart devices at our fingertips! our school has got involved by signing up to this exciting day. Families can sign up here <https://www.cybersafekids.ie/cyberbreak/> Parents/guardians will find some helpful resources for the day, including:

CyberBreak Family Fun Guide	Suggested offline activities for kids and parents – for home, the yard or even the classroom!	<a href="#">Link to Family Fun Guide</a>
Top Internet Safety Tips	Encourage conversations about how kids can stay safe online	<a href="#">Link to Top Online Safety Tips</a>

We are looking forward to hearing on Monday how all our pupils and staff got on with CyberBreak.

### Parent Teacher meetings

The dates of the Parent Teacher meetings have been deferred to the week of 16<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

If any parent wishes to discuss any matters relating to their child's progress between now and Christmas they may do so by contacting their class teacher.



### Halloween Fundraiser in Support of Crusheen Playground

On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October pupils can dress up in their Halloween costume or dress up in their favourite fancy dress outfit. This Halloween fundraiser is in support of Crusheen Playground. Pupils are asked to donate money to the upkeep of the playground. A collection box will be available in each class room.

### League of Ireland Ladies Soccer League half time debut

I love playing soccer with the Newmarket Celtic soccer club. On Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October I will travel with my team to the University of Limerick to play at half time during Limerick's Treaty United vs Cork City game in the women's national soccer league. This is the last league match for this season for Treaty United and so it will be an exciting game! I have also been a ball girl at one of Treaty Uniteds' challenge games when they played a visiting American soccer team during the summer. I am really looking forward to the 29<sup>th</sup> of October! *By Aimee Glynn, 6<sup>th</sup> Class*

### After-schools training

On Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> class went to the pitch for Gaelic football training. Paddy Vaughan came to train us. Ms Brady walked everyone from school to the pitch. When we got to the pitch we put on our boots and the teachers checked if we had a gum shield. If you didn't have a gum shield you couldn't play the Gaelic football. First we practised some drills and then we played a match. We had a great time at the Gaelic football training.

*By Oisín Collins and Patrick Mulkere*

### Library Visit

On Wednesday, October 19th, 6th class went on a visit to Scariff library. First we met an author and illustrator called Mary Murphy. She read two of her famous books to us: 'Only A Tree Knows How to Be a Tree' and 'Chirp'. She showed us the seven art pieces in the art exhibition called 'Viewpoints'. Seven picture book authors responded to different themes within the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child and Mary was one of them. Ms. Brady had explained all 42 Articles from the Convention over the past few weeks before we went to see the exhibition. Mary got us to undertake a fun art activity based on the theme of 'identity' which we enjoyed a lot. She showed us how to draw various people and animals. We are all now library members and we were given library cards. We can now take out books from all around Ireland. We enjoyed choosing different books which we took home to read. It was a fun day! *By: Ciara White Kelly and Stephen Morrish (6th class)*

### Girls Cumann na mBunscol Football

On Wednesday, 12th October we began our first Gaelic football game after an absence of two years in Wolfe Tones pitch in Shannon. We had to play three matches. Our first game was against Clonmoney NS. At half time it was 2:2. In the end we lost but it was very close. Next we played Tulla NS. They were very strong and we battled hard. Our last game was against St. Conaire's in Shannon. We got off to a very good start. In the end we beat them very well. A week later, we played our next two matches in the Gaelscoil pitch. We knew we had to play very well to qualify for the next round. We played Cloughleigh NS from Ennis and St. Senan's NS in Kilrush. We beat Cloughleigh NS well but we lost to St. Senan's by 2 points. Only 4 teams were to go through to the next round next week and we are delighted to be one of them! We got drawn against St. Senan's, Kilrush again but we are looking forward to playing them. Wish us luck!

*By: Aimee Glynn & Lucy Whelan, 6th class*

### Godly Play

We had 'Godly Play' in the Community Hall this week. Josephine Kearney is teaching us some lovely stories from the bible. We are learning how we can pray together and hear about how God is with us every day. We also do fun art and craft activities.

*By: Liam Vaughan & Pearl Drumm (Senior Infants)*

### Buddy Reading

We were all happy to hear the good news that 'Buddy Reading' has started again in our school! Every second Tuesday we are paired up with our older friends and we read together. They talk about the books they are reading and they read some of the 'interesting bits' to us! We read our books to the older boys and girls too. Sometimes we look at the pictures and talk about what is going to happen next in the story. We all have good fun and we have made some new friends!

*By: Erin Noone & Donnagh O'Doherty (1st class)*

### School Policies

The schools' Anti Bullying policy was circulated to the Parents' Association in September and is available to view on the school website.

The annual review of the Child Safeguarding statement and checklist will be reviewed and approved next month. It will be circulated to the Parents' Association and will also be available to view on the school website. The Code of Behaviour policy is also available to view on the schools website.

### Camogie Blitz in St. Flannans' College

On the 14<sup>th</sup> October the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> class girls played a blitz in St. Flannans' College Ennis. The first team we played was Clonmoney. It was a very close game in the first half. Our girls made some excellent saves but unfortunately it just didn't go our way. Our second match was against Kilmurry, they were another very strong team. Even though we lost, the girls pulled out some of our best performances and we battled to the end. Our third match was against a strong Barefield team. At half time we were down 3 points. In the second half we managed to close the score to 2 points but then a last minute goal meant we lost by 5 points. Though we lost all of our matches in the group stages we managed to make it into the Shield semi-final. It was by far our best performance. In the Shield semi-final we lost to Ballyea. The panel on the day was Aimee Glynn, Lucy Whelan, Clodagh Harkin, Ciara White Kelly, Emma Scully, Áine Darcy, Caoimhe O'Brien, Makayla Lyons, Lia McAllen, Ellie Whelan, Emily Slevin, Leah White Kelly, Aoibhe Donnellan, Mia O'Riordan, Hollie Keehan, Ailbhe O'Brien, Áine Maples, Éadaoin Barry, Sarah Jane Moran, Erin Curley, Lily White Kelly.

*By: Éadaoin Barry, 5<sup>th</sup> class*



### Basketball Update

In the last couple of weeks, we have had a basketball league in our school. There were 7 very talented teams; which were the Lakers, Thunderbirds, Warriors, Nuggets, Scrappers, Boomers & Wizards. Teams played matches every day at small break for 10 mins. The basketball league was great for fitness and everyone enjoyed themselves. The three referees were Evan Wherrett, Shaun Woods, & Niall McGreal. We have had some very close matches and some draws and nobody was disappointed. Our basketball skills have improved from playing these matches.

*By: Niall McGreal*

### School Fees

Thank you very much to all the parents who have transferred fees. Please do not transfer fees to the previous school Bank Account with Ulster Bank as this bank is no longer being used by the school. The new school bank details are as follows;

**SCHOOL BANK OF IRELAND DETAILS**

**INCHICRONAN CENTRAL NS**

**IBAN - IE16BOFI 904210 76377090**

**BIC - BOFIE2D**

It's very important that parents add the child's initials in the detail/message line of the bank transfer as the school will not know who the payment is received from.

### 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, 3<sup>rd</sup> October to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October the following will apply for home time collections:

Pupils with surnames A – L: 2:55 p.m.

Pupils with surnames M – Z: 3. p.m.

### Go n -éirí leat



Congratulations and every good wish to Hannah Forde, Senior Infants who will represent the Slevin School of Dancing at the upcoming Great Britain Championships, taking place in London this weekend.

## Team Hope Shoebox Appeal



The Team Hope shoebox leaflets have been distributed to all pupils for the Christmas Shoebox Appeal. Pupils are asked to get busy over the Halloween holidays and fill their shoeboxes. All shoeboxes are to be returned by Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November, 2022.

## Crusheen National School Parents' Association

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

Chairperson: Caroline Dillon

Secretary: Gene Glynn

Treasurer: Celina Forde

The school is looking forward to working with the them.



## Upcoming School Events

### *October*

- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October - Visitor - Gael Choláiste an Chláir to 6<sup>th</sup> class.
- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October - Visit of Team Hope 2022 Christmas Shoebox Appeal
- Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October – Visit of Active School Flag Accreditor

- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October Dress-Up Halloween Day & Playground fundraiser

### *November*

- Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November - County Primary Schools Cross Country Finals, Lees Road at 11.00 a.m.
- 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.
- 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.



## 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

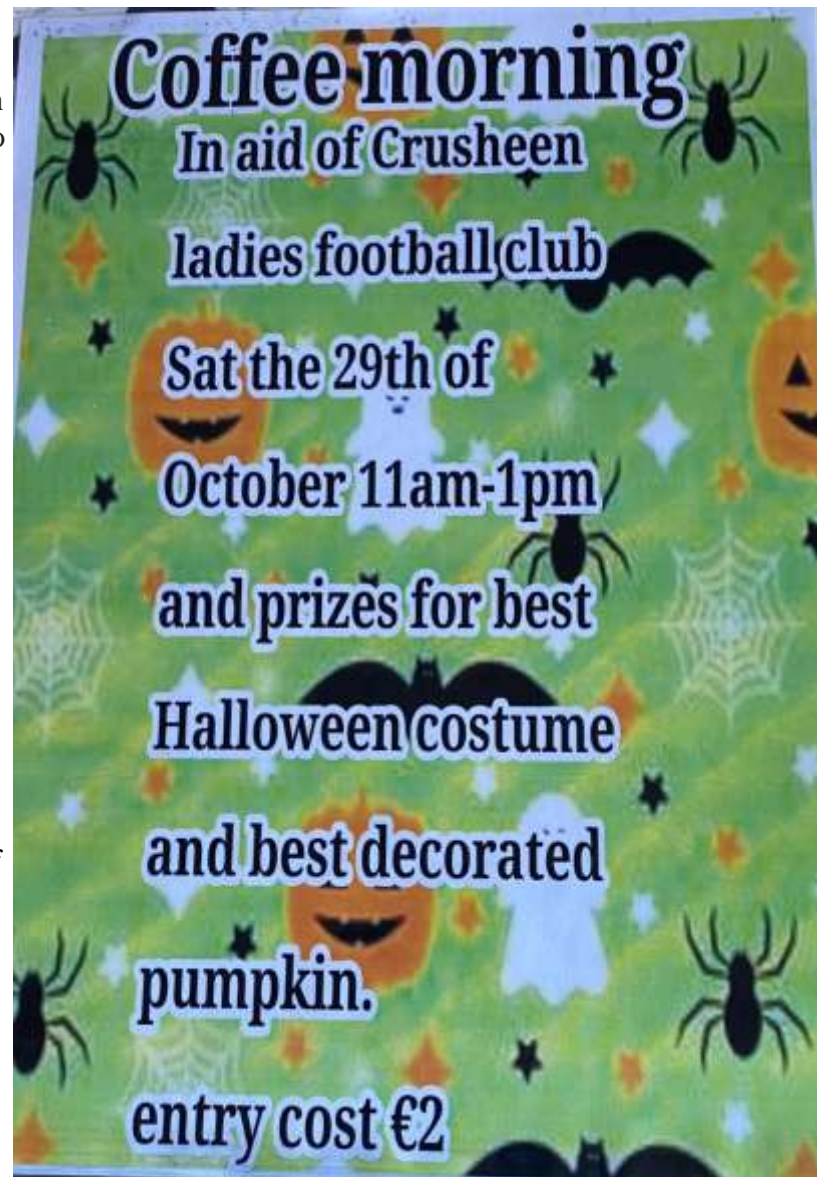
Hand hygiene will continue to be a regular part of the school day. Can we ask you to give your child/children a small hand-towel in a bag for drying hands. This is to help reduce the amount of blue tissue being used in the school.



### Support Crusheen Community Centre

Please consider buying a brick, [www.crusheencc.ie](http://www.crusheencc.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/3l0v1kX>

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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

