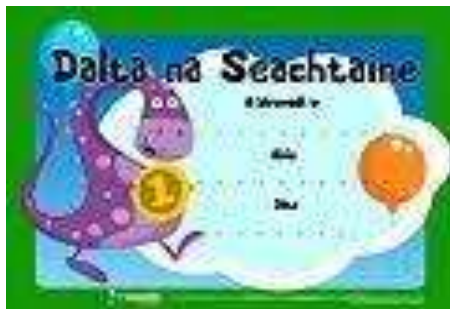


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Dalta na Seachtaine

Juniors: Lucy Collins & Hannah Collins

Seniors: Mia Fitzgibbon

1st Class: Chloe O'Rourke

2nd Class: Conall O' Dea & Bianca Alves

3rd Class: Eilí Hanrahan & Dylan Corbett

4th Class: Daragh O'Rourke & Emily Griffin

5^h Class: Hollie Keehan & Aoibhe Donnellan

6th Class: Oscar O'Shea & Joseph Mulkere

SCOIL NÁISIÚNTA ÍNSE CHRÓNÁIN
ANTI -BULLYING WEEK
14TH – 18TH NOVEMBER 2022



IF YOU SEE SOMEONE WHO COULD
USE A FRIEND BE ONE

Anti-Bullying week in Junior Infants

Last week we celebrated Anti-bullying week. We learned all about being a good friend. We listened to the song "You've Got a Friend in Me" and we joined in with the other classes in singing it at assembly today. Garda Lorraine visited our class as part of anti-bullying week.

By Junior Infants

Anti-Bullying week in Senior Infants & 1st Class

To celebrate Anti-Bullying week in our classroom we spoke all about bullying and how to be nice and kind to other people. We designed and cut out rainbows and everyone put the names of people we can trust and tell if we are getting bullied. We spoke about some things we can do if we are being bullied or see someone being bullied. We can help them, tell an adult, ask them to play with us and tell a funny joke if they are feeling down. It is important to always be kind! We coloured some mindfulness posters on being kind and stuck them up around our classroom. Garda Lorraine and Garda Irene visited us to talk about Anti-Bullying week too.

By Oisín O' Dea & Arwen Keane

Anti-Bullying week in 2nd Class

Last week was anti-bullying week in our school. We learned songs and we sang "You've got a Friend in Me" at assembly. We designed posters. The gardaí came in and they talked about cyberbullying so nobody is bullying in the school I hope! We will include everyone in our games at school and at home too.

By Freddie Slevin

Anti-Bullying week in 3rd & 4th Class

This week was anti-bullying week in our school. During the week we talked about how to prevent bullying. We did lots of activities. In class we did an acrostic FRIEND poem and had fun putting words together explaining Anti-Bullying. We played games at sos times and included everyone. We had a lovely visit from Garda Lorraine and Garda Irene who came to talk to us about cyber bullying and how to stay cyber safe. We watched slides from Stay Safe and learned how bullying can hurt somebody.

Our class made anti-bullying posters and put them up all over the classroom. We learned a lot about bullying over the week. *By Emily Griffin & Sophie Guerin 4th Class.*

Anti-Bullying Week in 5th Class

Last week we had Anti-Bullying Week. During the week we learned about what types of bullying there are like physical bullying, emotional bullying and cyberbullying. We also did different types of art for example kindness posters, drawing people and writing kind words about that person we drew. We all learned friendship songs which we sang at assembly. The junior classes sang 'You got a friend in me'. 3rd & 4th classes sang 'Count on me' and 5th & 6th classes sang 'I'll be there for you'. We also had to do a good deed at home as part of homework as well. We had a great week and learned lots of life lessons about what to do and what not to do. It's good to be kind. *By Caoimhe O'Brien.*

Anti-Bullying week in 6th Class

For anti-bullying week we discussed all the different types of bullying. We also learned a song "I'll be there for you". Garda Lorraine and Garda Irene came in to talk to us about bullying and about what we should do if we notice someone being bullied. As an anti-bullying week activity, we made posters and put them on the window for all the school to see. We did another activity where we picked pieces of paper with someone's name on it and wrote 5 nice things about them. We really enjoyed anti-bullying week. *By Lucy Whelan, Shaun Woods and Odhran O'Donovan 6th Class*

Visit of Garda Lorraine (Anti-Bullying Week)

On Wednesday the 16th of November, Garda Lorraine and Garda Irene came into all the classes in the school and spoke to us about bullying. They also spoke to us about internet safety and they told us to only talk to people we know online and to never give anybody any of our personal details. While they were here they checked to make sure that we were all safe during Halloween and that we were in groups while we were trick or treating.

By Rikelme Alves and Oscar O'Shea, 6th Class



We are delighted to be taking part in Picker Pals this year. Our "picker pack" arrived in the school last week. It includes gloves, litter pickers, plastic bags and books about litter picking and keeping our local area neat and clean. Taking it in turns, children take home the Picker Pack and lead their family on a litter-picking adventure in their local area. We hope that it will be a fun bonding experience while making a real difference on the ground. 2nd class will have the picker pack between now and Christmas and then other classes in the school will have the opportunity to take part.



Parents Internet Safety Talk

Parents only are invited to an Internet Safety Talk webinar by Ger Bric on 12th December at 7.00 p.m.. Parents are asked to click on the google form recently sent to parents via email and Aladdin and choose the option on how they would prefer to join the webinar. The option with the most responses will be the decision on how the webinar will be presented to parents. The school Board of Management is funding this night so all support is welcome. <https://inetsafetyspeak.com/who-is-ger-brick>

This promises to be a very beneficial talk with practical advice for parents on how to keep their families safe online regardless of their level of computer literacy.



St Francis Credit Union Art Competition

The St. Francis Credit Union Art Competition 2022 was a wonderful success with over 400 entries across all age groups. Congratulations and well done to Theo Zemba Senior Infants and Ciara Wallace 3rd Class who won prizes in their categories.



Active Flag

Crusheen NS are delighted to announce that we have received our new Active Flag. We are really looking forward to having a very special flag raising day soon. We also hope to put in place our new Active Signs outlining our walkway. *By Active School Committee*



Whole School Assembly

This week we had a lovely whole school assembly. Mr Millane reminded us about Anti-Bullying and the importance of being kind to each other. It was the first time in a long time that all the classes came together and so we really enjoyed singing our songs about friendship. It was great to see everyone together despite the weather.



Godly Play by Junior Classes

Josephine Kearney came to the halla and we had Godly Play. We really enjoyed it the last time. This time she told us the story of Noah and the Great Flood. God asked Noah to collect two of all the creatures of the earth and bring them into the ark. Noah, his family and the animals lived in the ark for seven days before the first rain fell. After that it rained for 40 days and nights. We really enjoyed the story and had lots of fun making drawings of the story after! We can't wait to have Godly play again soon. *By Darragh Griffin & Sarah Griffin*

Swimming in 3rd & 4th classes

On Monday 14th November 3rd and 4th classes went swimming in the Shannon Leisure Centre. We travelled there by bus. As we got there early, Mr. Millane let us play in the playground for 10 mins. We were divided into groups when we went into the pool. We got to do some diving, swimming and we were allowed to play in the pool at the end of the session. Our favourite bit was the diving. We had a great time and we are looking forward to next Monday already. *By Ella O'Donnell and Eilí Hanrahan*



Cross Country second round

Well done to all the pupils who represented the school at the Cross Country Championships this year. On the 15th of November 19 pupils went to Lees Road, Ennis for the second round of Cross Country Running. The first race of the day was the U8 Girls, on the team were Elsie O'Grady, Faye Colleran, Natalie O'Meara, Cara Dillon and Sophia Murphy. They all ran their hearts out but unfortunately it was not to be. The second race was the U8 Boys, the boys that ran were Cian Vaughan, Kayden Greene, Conal O'Dea, Landon Morrish, Tommy O'Connor and Cillian O'Donnell. All the boys ran really well. Cian Vaughan ran superbly coming 4th place overall and he is through to the next round. The next race was the U10 Girls race. I was the only entry from Crusheen NS and although unplaced, I really

enjoyed the day. The U10 boys were up next and the boys on that team were Charlie O'Connor, Ryan Vaughan, Luke Hanrahan, Evan Wherrett, Darragh Donnellan and Patrick Mulcaire. They were fantastic but it just wasn't their day. We look forward to next year's competition. Best of luck to Cian Vaughan in the Munsters. *By Eadaoin Barry.*



An Chomhairle Oidhreachta
The Heritage Council



Heritage in Schools Visit

On Tuesday after lunch Marina from 'Heritage in Schools' visited 6th class. She asked us to name our favourite plants and showed us a slide show of Irish plants and trees. Marina described the plants and trees and ways to identify them. She also spoke about how some of these trees and plants are endangered because of climate change. She explained how these plants and trees breathe in carbon dioxide and give out oxygen and make the air cleaner. Marina showed us how plants can make music by using a music box which connects to the soil and the leaf and then plays music through the music box. Once we finished the classroom activities we walked down to the park beside the community hall and we examined lots of different plants and listened to some of them play music. It was a really interesting activity and we really enjoyed it. *By 6th Class.*

Heritage in Schools by 3rd & 4th Classes

On Tuesday 22nd November we had a visitor called Marina Levitina from 'Heritage in Schools'. Marina talked to us about Music of the Plants: what the wildflowers and trees of the Autumn forest can teach us through art, music and stories. Marina also works with Lough Graneey Sanctury. We learned about plants called Lavender and white thorn. We watched a presentation of plants. We also did an outside session in the park near our school. Marina showed us how to use a biofeedback machine so we could listen to the music of nature. We had a questions and answer session. We really enjoyed Marina's visit and we look forward to visiting Lough Graneey later in the school year.

<https://www.heritageinschools.ie/heritage-expert/profile/marina-levitina>

<https://loughgraneey.org/>

By Henry O'Shea and Meaghan Glynn

Crusheen GAA - Tennis Ball Games

Many thanks to Crusheen GAA for their kind gesture of gifting all the pupils in our school a tennis ball. In 5th class, we have come up with lots of fun activities for pupils to enjoy. These include a 7's game whereby you throw and catch the ball 7 different ways working down 7,6,5,4...etc. Timing ourselves, striking off the wall, using both sides of course!. Counting how many taps on the hurl we can do in a row. Rises - how many jab lifts and roll lifts can I do in a minute? We look forward to starting these homework activities on the 28th of November. *By 5th Class*

Crusheen GAA Christmas Gift

A big thank you to Crusheen GAA for the gift of a tennis ball to every pupil in our class. We have decided to practice our striking and catching skills with the tennis ball. We are going to use a wall and strike the ball 5 times off our right and 5 times off our left. We will then do it 4 times on either side and work down from 3, 2 and 1 strike on each side. If we are finding it too difficult, we can move closer to the wall and if it is too easy we will move further from the wall. We look forward to developing our skills after Christmas with the coaches in school and at home. *By 6th Class.*

Crusheen GAA

Please support Crusheen Camogie fundraiser on Saturday 3rd December, 2022 at 9.00 p.m. Crusheen

Crusheen Christmas Fair

Please support the annual Christmas fair in the Community Centre on Saturday 11th December.



Crusheen Camogie

POKER

CLASSIC

Saturday December 3rd

9pm Crusheen

€30 entry

Prize money €1,500 Pro rata

for tickets contact Michelle O'Doherty 0872174695

Registration 9pm Fogarty's Bar



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 - 086/4338022 🎄



Christmas Songs in the school

On December 14th (weather permitting) we will be singing some Christmas songs in the school yard to bring some festive spirit to Crusheen! All parents, grandparents, family members etc. are welcome to attend and join in with the singing. We will confirm a time at a later date.

Reminder: Arrival and Home Time

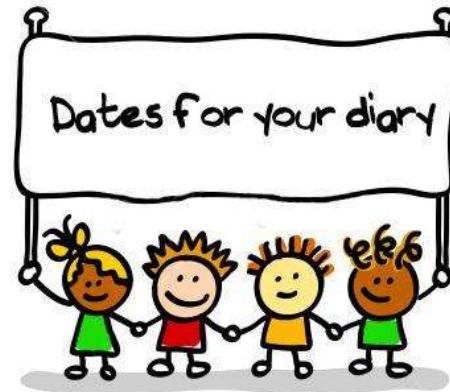
Arrival at school is between 9.10 a.m. and 9.20 a.m. We ask that children do not arrive in the classrooms before 9.10 a.m. A staff member will supervise the yard and gate area.

Reminder: 1st to 6th Classes Home Time

From Monday 28th November to Wednesday 21st December the following will apply for home time collections:

Pupils with surnames M – Z: 2.55 p.m.

Pupils with surnames A – L: 3.00 p.m.



Upcoming School Events

November

- Shannon Leisure Centre - Swimming lessons for pupils in 3rd and 4th will continue on Monday 28th November and 5th December
- Shannon Leisure Centre Swimming lessons for pupils in 5th and 6th classes will continue on Wednesday 30th November and 7th December.

December

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

First Confession Ceremony

Fr. Damien has informed the school of the date for the First Confession ceremony. The First Confession Ceremony for First Holy communion candidates in 2nd class will take place on Wednesday 1st March 2023 at 8.00 p.m. in St. Cronans Church, Crusheen.

Headlice

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



We are now taking enrolments for children that will be starting school with us in September 2023. You can download our enrolment form on our school website

<http://www.crusheenns.net/2022-23-enrolment-information.html> and email/post it to the school.

Alternatively you can contact the school at 065 6827183 and request to have an enrolment form sent to you or you can email crusheen@crusheenns.com.

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.



Parents are asked to click the consent forms on Aladdin if they wish to order a Christmas Annual. Please see the following link to view the Christmas Annuals.

<https://annuals.educate.ie/#christmas> The cost per annual is 4 euros and the payment can be paid on line via bank transfer to school bank account IBAN - IE16BOFI 904210 76377090. Please put child's name in the payment details. The last date for the Christmas Annual orders will be **Wednesday 30th November**.



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.

Seanfhocal an Seachtaine

Ní bhíonn in aon
rud ach seal

(Nothing lasts forever)

Ní féidir leis an ngobadán
an dá thrá a fhreastal

(You can't be in two places at once)

Imeall Boirne Christmas Food Appeal

It's that time of year and following on from another huge success last year Imeall Boirne are once again holding the Christmas Food Appeal. You can drop your donation to the school, Clarkes shop or Imeall Boirne will arrange collection of all donations. The appeal will run from *Sunday 6th November to Sunday 11th December.*

Thank you as always, for your continued support of this very worthy cause. Anne Slattery,

Imeall Boirne Pastoral Secretary

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Tel: 065 6890865



Support Crusheen Community Centre

Please consider buying a brick, 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>

