

School Newsletter 9th June, 2023



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Dalta na Seachtaine certs

Juniors: Christopher O'Haire & Maccon Moloney

Seniors: Chloe Hassett

1st Class: Lily Keehan

2nd Class: Cillian Noone, Luke Burke

3rd Class: Jared Hudson, Daragh Donnellan

4th Class: Emily Griffin, Luke Hanrahan

5th Class: Makayla Lyons, Leah White Kelly

6th Class: Adam Guerin, Lucy Whelan



Handwriting Certs

Juniors: Donnacha O'Sullivan & Danny McMahon

Seniors: Sadie McMahon

1st Class: Donnagh O'Doherty

2nd Class: Nathalie O'Meara, Faye Colleran

3rd Class: Andrew Farrell

4th Class: Sophie Guerin

5th Class: Eadaoin Barry, Lily White Kelly

6th Class: Ciara White Kelly, Stephen Morrish



Confirmation Mass

The school community would like to thank Fr. Nolan and Fr. O'Neill for concelebrating a lovely Confirmation Mass on Saturday 27th of May. We would also like to thank Mrs Catherine Brigdale, Minister of Pastoral Care for the Imeall Bóirne cluster who helped prepare the pupils for receiving their Confirmation. Special thanks also to Ms Mary Hanrahan and her niece Mary who sang and provided the music on the day. We would also like to express our appreciation to the parents of 5th class pupils who provided and served lovely refreshments after the mass in the Parish Centre.

Congratulations to our 6th class pupils who received the sacrament of Confirmationn:

Tiarnán Collins, Reece Corbett, Alex Forde, Aimee Glynn, Adam Guerin, Clodagh Harkin, Stephen Morrish, Joseph Mulkere, Odhran O'Donovan, Lucy Whelan, Ciara White Kelly, Shaun Woods.



School Tour

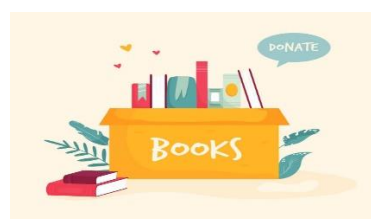
On Tuesday 6th June 2nd to 6th classes travelled to Lough Derg Isle on our school tour. When we arrived, we changed into our old clothes. We went on a boat trip to Scarriff Harbour. When we got there, some of us jumped into the water and some of us played 'Camouflage'. We went back on the boats to Derg Isle. We got changed again and played Xs and Os. Then we had a lunch break. After lunch, we did the obstacle course. It was easy! We played Olympic Handball, Tug-o-war and we ran races. We also did the zip line. My favourite part of the day was the boat trip around Lough Derg.

We had a great day!

By Tommy O' Connor, 2nd Class

Senior Infant and 1st class School Tour

Pupils in Ms Griffey's classes enjoyed their day out at 'Busy Bees' Activity Centre in Oranmore. There was plenty of fun and activity and they all enjoyed their day away from school! On the way home, we stopped at Crusheen playground for more fun and games. Everyone was very tired after all the exercise! It certainly was a day to remember!



Book Donation

Thank you to everyone who has donated books to the school library. We will accept books until Friday, June 16th.

We would also ask parents to return any school library books or school rental textbooks to the school as soon as possible.

School Assembly

We were delighted to have another school assembly in the beautiful sunshine today. All the pupils sat out in the basketball court in their shorts and t-shirts! Mr Millane spoke to everyone about some past and upcoming events, most importantly school tours which are taking place this week and next. He reminded us of how we can all stay safe in the sunny weather. He also spoke to everyone about 'Active Week' which is taking place next week from the 12th - 16th June. There are lots of fun activities planned for Active Week which will be enjoyable for everyone! Class teachers presented their Dalta na Seachtaine and Handwriting certificates – well done to all who received one this week! To end the assembly, Mr Gantley's class sang the beautiful traditional ballad 'Spancil Hill'. This ballad was composed by Michael Considine (1850-73) who was born in Spancil Hill and migrated to the U.S. as a young man. The ballad tells of the sadness of Irish emigrants who longed for home from their new lives in America.

Spancill Hill

Last night as I lay dreamin'
Of pleasant days gone by
Me mind bein' bent on rambling
To Ireland I did fly
I stepped on board a vision and
I followed with the wind
Till first I came to anchor at
The cross at Spancil Hill

It being the 23rd of June
The day before the fair
Where Ireland's sons and daughters
And friends assembled there
The young, the old
The brave and the bold came
Their duty to fulfill
At the parish church near Clooney
A mile from Spancil Hill.



Cumann na mBunscol Camogie

The girls played Sixmilebridge in the Cumann na mBunscol league today.

The panel was Áine Darcy, Aoibhe Donnellan, Lia McAllen, Sarah Jane Moran, Ailbhe O'Brien, Caoimhe O'Brien, Emma Scully, Mia Riordan, Eadaoin Barry, Erin Curley, Hollie Keehan, Makayla Lyons, Emily Slevin, Ellie Whelan, Lily White Kelly, Leah White Kelly, Aine Maples, Sinead O'Reilly.

Cumann na mBunscol Boys Hurling

On Thursday 1st June the boys in 4th, 5th & 6th classes played Kilnamona in Crusheen. Reece Crobett got 3 goals, Oisín Collins got 2 goals. At half time the score was 2:2 to 1:3 in favour of us and after a tough game we ended up winners with a final score of 7:8 to 5:4. This win put our team into the semi-final of Cumann na mBunscol hurling competition.

On Thursday 8th June 4th, 5th & 6th class boys travelled to Ogonelloe to play Ogonelloe in the Cumann na mBunscol semi final

Ogonelloe started off very strong scoring 2:1 in the first few minutes. Our heads never dropped and at half time the score was 2:2 to 0:6. In the second half we battled hard and won with a score 2:8 to 2:4.

The panel was Tiarnán Collins, Niall McGreal, Adam Guerin, Evan Wherett, Oisín Collins, Odhran Hassett, Luke Hanrahan, Patrick Mulkere, Charlie O'Connor, CJ O Doherty, Daragh O'Rourke, Henry O'Shea, Ryan Vaughan, Rikeme Alves, Reece Corbett, Alex Forde, Robert Hickey, Stephen Morrish, Joseph Mulkere, Odhran O'Donovan, Shaun Woods, Oscar O'Shea. By Tiarnán Collins & Niall McGreal



Butterfly News

Over the past number of weeks, Ms Darcy and the junior infant class have been 'growing butterflies' in their classroom. A few weeks ago, they received five lovely caterpillars in a container as part of a special project. Pupils had to be careful not to disturb them! After two weeks the caterpillars formed their 'chrysalis'. It was very interesting to see them hanging from the top of the small container. The five chrysalises were then transferred into their special 'butterfly garden'. The pupils checked on them every day to see if the butterflies had emerged. When they came back to school following the Bank holiday weekend, they were amazed to see four beautiful Monarch butterflies (as illustrated above) Each one was symmetrical, and they had such lovely colourful wings. It was very interesting learning all about the life cycle of the butterfly!



Teddy Bears Picnic

On Thursday 8th June, Junior Infants and their teacher Ms Darcy had a lovely Teddy Bears Picnic down at the park. The pupils had brought in their own special teddy to school that day. Everyone sat in a big circle with their teddies and ate their lunch. Ms Darcy gave every child a treat! While they were down at the park, they released the four butterflies which had emerged from their 'butterfly garden' earlier this week. It was very exciting to see them fly away into the sky!

Clare Jersey Day



Our school held a 'Clare Jersey Day' today to support Rory Best's '**Rory's Miles 2 Mayo**' fundraiser for sick children. It was great to see everyone wearing their Clare jerseys today ahead of Sunday's Munster Senior Hurling Final where the Banner County will line out against our neighbour's Limerick.

Thanks to everyone for supporting this worthy cause. The total raised today was €---- This will make a big difference to sick children and their families. Anyone wishing to support Rory's campaign, please donate online at www.rorysmiles2mayo.com.



Sun Safety

Parents/guardians are reminded to ensure your child wears sun protection and brings a sun hat to school on sunny days. We ask parents to label everything sent in to school with their child.

School Closures

The school will be closed to pupils on **Monday 12th June** to facilitate staff training in the Primary Language Curriculum.

We are an ACTIVE SCHOOL

Active Week

We will have a very busy, fun-filled week in school from June 13th – June 16th. As part of Active Week, there will be a "walking bus" on Wednesday morning (June 14th).

Pupils and their parents are invited to meet at St. Cronan's Church at 9.00am and walk together to school. Anyone who lives on the way to school from the church can join the 'walking bus' as it passes. Children walking to school must be accompanied by an adult and wear a high visibility vest if possible. It will be an opportunity for everyone to chat to their friends and arrive at school refreshed and relaxed!

There are lots of other activities planned to include Sports Day on Friday June 16th. The new Active School Flag will also be raised on Sport's Day.

Gymnastics

Thank you to Monika for teaching the school gymnastics over the past 6 weeks. We had some lovely weather and we got to do the gymnastics outside. The pupils really enjoyed it, and we look forward to having Monika back again next year.

Every Thursday for the past six weeks we have done gymnastics with our lovely instructor Monika. We learned how to do cartwheels and a range of other exercises. We are very grateful for Monika's help. We will practice the movements that she has taught us. For the final class we did some 'rhythmic gymnastics'. We had so much fun!

By Sinéad O'Reilly & Emily Griffin.

Garda Vetting

If parents/guardians would like to get involved with school activities, please contact Olive at the school office to check if your garda vetting is still in date. A garda vetting form is attached to this newsletter for parents who might like to get involved. Your support is always welcome

End of Year School Mass

Our end of year mass will take place at St. Cronan's Church on Wednesday 21st of June at 10am?? Family and friends of our school community are very welcome to attend.

Sixth Class Graduation Ceremony

A ceremony to mark the end the sixth-class pupils' time at primary school will take place at school on **Wednesday 21st of June at 7pm.** Parents and families of sixth class pupils are invited to join us to celebrate this special milestone.

Reminder: 1st to 6th Classes Home Time

From Tuesday 6nd June to Friday 23rd June the following will apply for home time collections:
Pupils with surnames N – L: 2.55 p.m.
Pupils with surnames M – Z: 3.00 p.m



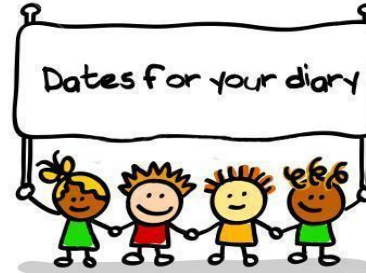
Keeping children safe at the school gate

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.

Traffic Management – Car Parking Reminder

Car parking spaces are limited outside the school. At the busiest times some motorists are parking in front of residents' driveways. Please exercise care and do not parking in a way that would restrict residents' access to and from their homes.



Upcoming School Events

- **School closed on Monday 12th June** for Staff Inservice Training
- **Active Week** Tuesday 13th – Friday 16th June
- **School Sports |Day Friday 16th June**
- **Junior Infants School Tour** to 'Turoe Pet Farm, Tuesday 13th June
- **End of Year School Mass** – Wednesday 21st June at St. Cronan's Church, Crusheen.
- **Graduation Ceremony** – Wednesday 21st June at 7.00 pm at the school.
- **Summer Break-** School will finish for the summer holidays on **Friday June 23rd 2023 at 12:30pm.**