



SÉ Parent Newsletter - March 2023

School Attendance If your child is going to be late to school/or leaving early please log the reason on Aladdin Connect. This can be completed in the same way as recording absences. **Under the Education Welfare Act 2000 parents must inform the school if their child will be absent from school on a school day and the reason for the absence.**

Under current legislation (Education Welfare Act 2000) the school must notify the National Educational Welfare Board (TUSLA) if a child is absent for more than 20 days in a school year.

Dates for your Diary

2nd March – World Book Day Celebrations

7th March – School Photographer

14th March – Staff Planning Afternoon – School Closes @ 12

13th - 16th March - Seachtaine na Gaeilge

15th March – County Monaghan Primary Schools Cross Country Athletics

16th March - Lá Glas

17th March – School Closure (St. Patrick's Day)

22nd March – Sacrament of Reconciliation 2nd class. St. Patrick's Church @ 7pm

27th March – 2nd – 6th Class visit Scoil na gCailíni (Peace IV event)

31st March – EASTER HOLIDAYS @ 12noon

3rd – 14th April – School Closure (Easter Break)

30th April – Confirmation. St Patricks' Church @ 3pm

11th May – Senior Tour to Crystal Maze, Kingscourt

13th May – First Holy Communion. St Patrick's Church @ 11am

15th June – 1st & 2nd class tour to Airbound, Dundalk

16th June – Junior & Senior Infants tour to Airbound, Dundalk

Staff Planning Afternoon – DEIS Action Planning for Staff will take place on Tuesday 14th March. **School will close for all pupils @ 12 noon**

Congratulations to the pupils of 6th class who attended St Patrick's Church on Sunday for their Confirmation Enrolment and Pledge Ceremony. Their behaviour and engagement was excellent and we commend them for this. A special thank you to Fr Kieran and the 6th class teachers for their work in preparing the class.



Enrolment has now closed and Offers of Admission for September 2023 will be made in the coming weeks.

GAA Coaching continues with Eamon every Tuesday until the end of March.



Seachtain na Gaeilge We will be holding a number of events in school from 13th- 16th March to celebrate Seachtain na Gaeilge.... Comórtas Ealaíne, Damhsa, Ceol Traidisiúnta, Amhránaíocht, Comhrá, Drámaíochta, Tráth na gCeist, Sport trí Ghaeilge, Scéalaíocht.

Lá Glas will take place on Thursday 16th March this year. Pupils are encouraged to be fun and creative as they dress in green, paint their faces, wear hats to school to celebrate Lá Fheile Padraig. Weather permitting, we will have our own colourful parade through the town @ 10am.



The Wizard Of Blayney - Scoil na gCailíní

Our Peace IV project continues and work is well under way in both schools to produce our joint book. Launch night will take place in June (date to follow). On Monday 27th March pupils from 2nd to 6th class will visit Scoil na gCailíní to attend their production of The Wizard of Blayney in the Iontas Theatre.

Congratulations to our two teams who competed in the Cumann na mBunscol quiz during the month of February. One team qualified for last night's final in the Hillgrove Hotel and finished strong showing fantastic team work.



County Monaghan Primary Schools Cross Country Athletics Event – Training is under way with a number of pupils who will represent the school at this annual event which takes place on Wednesday 15th March @ 11am in Donaghmoyné Fontenoy's GAA Club. We wish them well.

Google map location: https://maps.app.goo.gl/bz6EDi21Mu53Be2x5?g_st=ig



Thank you to Niall, Daryl and Marco from Ballybay Fire Station for an excellent presentation for all pupils on fire safety. We were pleased to share this experience with the pupils and staff of Ballybay Central School.

Pancake Tuesday took place on Tuesday 21st February. Thank you for your support. €220 has been donated to the Trócaire Lenten Appeal. Thank you to the Student Council, Maire and Ann for their help on the day with *flipping and toppings!*



Student Council are supporting World Book Day today Thursday 2nd March. SC held a **free** raffle in each class with the prize being a new book..... congratulations to all our lucky winners. Thank you to our SC who hosted a very successful Hot Chocolate and cookie event during Well-being Week. SC will be organising yellow badges, yellow pictures and yellow art pieces in support of Daffodil Day on March 24th. Keep an eye out for our **'yellow windows'** and please feel free to donate to another worthy cause. The student council are also planning to hold an *Easter egg hunt* for junior classes before our Easter break. This is a fun activity for our young pupils and the student council are working hard behind the scenes planning their event.

Green School Council Our Green Schools' Committee remind parents of their pledge not to be 'idling' (leaving your car running) when dropping off/picking up as they work to create a cleaner environment for us all. They thank you for your support of their hugely successful 10-day travel challenge which took place in February.

Pupil Newsletter Please read our attached newsletter produced by Mr Atkinson's 4th Class

<http://www.scoileanna.ie/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/February-Student-Newsletter-2023.pdf>



Wellbeing Week was a huge success with pupils and staff alike and many pupils reported that their *'best day ever'* took place during that week!

Scoil Éanna Parents' Association will hold their next meeting on Monday 13th March @ 8pm
All parents welcome.

