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Deireadh Fómhair 2023

Cúrsaí Scoile

-Tá na ranganna ar fad socraithe isteach i gcóras a ranga ag an stad seo sa bhliain. Tá obair den scoth ar siúl ag cách agus molaim an tréan iarrachta atá á dhéanamh, ach go háirithe sna ranganna Naíonáin, ó thaobh na Gaeilge de. Iarraimid ar R1 agus R2 deá-shampla a thaispeáint dos na páistí níos óga agus Gaeilge a úsáid leo i gcónaí. Bhí lá na pitseámaí i N2 le déanaí, mar duais ranga don Ghaeilge iontach atá á úsáid acu. Táimid ag súil go mbeidh laethanta deasa eile ag chuile rang tríd na scoile, chun an sár-oibre a cheiliúradh!

It's great to see all the children settling into their class routines at this point in the year. Everyone is working very hard on different projects throughout the school. A big well done to the Infant classes, who are making great progress ag caint as Gaeilge. We ask R1 and R2 to always set a good example for the younger children and to use Gaeilge with them, especially in the yard. N2 had a PJ day in school recently as a prize for the great efforts ag caint as Gaeilge. We hope to have plenty of fun days in all the classes throughout the school as celebrations for the children's hard work!

-Tá iontráil don scoil bhliain seo chugainn oscailte anois agus tá an nasc beo ar suíomh na scoile. Beimid ag glacadh le hainmneacha go dtí an 31ú Deireadh Fómhair. Scaipigí an scéal! https://gaelscoilnamara.ie/

Entry for next year's Junior Infant class is now open and the link is live on the school's website. We will be accepting names until October 31st. Spread the word!

-Bhí comórtas ealaíne ar siúl an mhí seo caite, urraithe ag an Ionad Phobail áitiúil, leis an téama, Conas aire a thabhairt dár gceantar. Bhí ard-chaighdeán san obair ar fad agus bhí sé thar a bheith deacair beirt a roghnú ó chuile sheomra. Comhghairdeas leis na buaiteoirí, tá súil agam go raibh deis agaibh bhur dearbhán Easons a chaitheamh go fóill. Tá obair na mbuaiteoirí le feiceáil ar Twitter na scoile @GaelscoilnaMara Beidh tuilleadh oibre ar siúl i R1 agus R2 ar an téama seo i mbliana. Tá an rang ghrúpa théis clarú leis an scéim Picker-Pals. Tá siad ag súil go mór leis an tionscanamh seo. Tuilleadh eolais anseo https://pickerpalsworld.org/

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Buaiteoirí N1 - Dáithí agus Sadhbh

Buaiteorí N2 - Cian Mac C agus Isla

Buaiteoir R1 - Alice

Buaiteoir R2 - Liam

We held an art competition last month, sponsored by the local Community Centre. The theme was, How to Take care of our Local Community. The artwork was of a high standard and it was extremely difficult to choose two people from each room. Congratulations to the winners, I hope you all had a chance to spend your Easons voucher.

The work of the winners can be seen on the school's Twitter page. Rang 1 and Rang 2 will endeavour to continue in this vein of thought when taking part in the Picker Pals project this academic year. The project aims to get children involved in caring for their local environment through beach clean-ups and litter picking days etc. More info on their website.

-Bfhéidir go gcloisfidh tú na páistí ag caint faoi chártaí Nollag sna laethanta amach romhainn. Nílimd théis ár gcuid mírlíní a chailiúnt (go fóill!). Beidh cárta Nollag á dhearadh ag chuile pháiste sa scoil an tseachtain seo. Beidh siad ar fáil le ceannach ansin ag druidim leis an Nollag i pacáistí áirithe. Déanann go leor scoileanna é seo mar scéim tiomsú airgid, agus táimid lán-sásta é a thriáil i mbliana go bhfeicfimid conas a éiríonn leis an scéim.

You might hear the children talking about Christmas Cards over the next few days. We haven't lost our marbles (just yet!). Every child in the school will be designing a Christmas card this week. They will then be available to buy in the run-up to Christmas for all the school community. Many schools do this as a fundraising scheme, and we are very happy to try it this year to see how it goes.

-Tá go leor oibre déanta ar ghairdín na scoile le déanaí, faoi stiúr Neil. Táimid thar a bheith buíoch le chuile tuismitheoir a thagann chun lámh cúnta a thabhairt dúinn in aon ghné don saol scoile. Is féidir linn a rá cinnte go mbaineann na páistí an-chuid taitneamh agus tairbhe as am a chaitheamh ag obair sa ghairdín. D'imigh glasraí den chéad scoth imithe abhaile le chuile pháiste an tseachtain seo caite agus míle buíochas do Paul, Noel agus Aaron a chabhraigh le Neil an lá sin! Bhí sé thar a bheith spesialta dos na páistí bia, a chur siad lena lámha féin i Mí Aibreán, a thabhairt abhaile ón scoil leo.

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A lot of work has been done on the school garden recently, under Neil's direction. We are extremely grateful to all parents who come to give us a helping hand in any aspect of school life. We can say for sure that the children enjoy and benefit greatly from spending time working in the garden. All the children went home with a marvellous array of vegetables last week and many thanks to Paul, Noel and Aaron who helped Neil that day! It was very special for the children to bring food home from school, which they planted with their own hands back in April.

-Tá Múinteoir Clár agus Múinteoir Emma tosaithe linn go páirt-aimsire le déanaí. Beidh an bheirt acu ag déanamh tacaíocht in-ranga agus ag obair le grúpaí léitheoireachta, fónaic agus obair bhéil. Beish siad ag obair le chuile rang-ghrúpa agus táimid an-shásta go bhfuil siad linn chun tacú leis na páistí. Fáilte mhór roimh an bheirt!

Múnteoir Clár and Múnteoir Emma have recently started with us on a part-time basis. Both of them will be engaging in-class support and working with reading, phonics and oral language groups. They are working with every class group and we are very happy that they are with us to support the children. A big welcome to both teachers!

Ranganna lar-scoile

Tá ag éirí go hiontach leis na bpáistí faoi stúir Mhúinteoir Sinéad sa Chlub Lego. Molaim an obair chruthaíoch ar fad atá ar siúl ag na páistí ó R1 & R2 chuile Chéadaoin.
Mar chuid do sheachtain na hEolaíochta (i Mí na Samhna) beidh deis ag páistí N1 agus N2 roinnt oibre Lego a dhéanamh le Fingal Bricks 4Kids, a bheas ag teacht ar chuairt chun na scoile. Táim cinnte go mbainfidh siad an-sult as sin.
Beidh an Club Ceoil ar siúl do R1 & R2, chuile Déardaoin ón 9ú Samhain ar feadh tréimhse 6 seachtaine. Tá costas €48 ar chuile pháiste don tréimhse sin. Le bhur dtoil cur rphost chuig oifig@gaelscoilnamara.ie má tá spéis agaibh sa chlub ceoil. Seolfar amach nasc ar Aladdin nuair a thagann an t-am chun na táillí sin a íoc.
Arís mo mhíle buíochas do Nicole agus Sinéad atá sásta na clubanna seo a rith.

The children are doing great under the guidance of Múinteoir Sinéad in the Lego Club. I commend all the creative work the children are producing from R1 & R2 every Wednesday. As part of Science week (in November) N1 and N2 will have the opportunity to do some Lego work with Fingal Bricks 4Kids, who will be visiting the school. I'm sure they'll really enjoy that.
The Club Ceoil will begin for R1 & R2, every Thursday from 9th November for a period of 6 weeks. There is a cost of €48 for each child for that period. Please send an email to

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oifig@gaelscoilnamara.ie if you are interested in the club ceoil, if you haven't done so already. A link will be sent out on Aladdin when the time comes to pay the fee.
Many thanks again to Nicole and Sinéad who are willing to run these clubs.

Bord Bainistíochta na Scoile

Díscaoilfear Boird Bhainistíochta (BOM) gach bunscoil sa tír ar 30ú Samhain 2023. Bunófar Boird Bhainistíochta nua, don téarma 4 bliana 2023-2027. Tosnóidh siad an t-aistear ar an 1 Nollaig 2023. Leagtar amach sa lámhleabhar rialachais conas a tharlaíonn sé seo, agus róil agus freagrachtaí an Bhoird Bainistíochta. Is féidir leat an lámhleabhar rialachais iomlán a fháil anseo.
https://www.gov.ie/ga/eolas-polasai/8dcbcb-none/

Cad is Bord Bainistíochta (BOM) ann?
Bainistíonn Bord Bainistíochta scoil thar ceann an Phátrúin. Is é an Bord Bainistíochta an scoil, is é an fostóir é agus tá freagracht dhlíthiúil aige as gach rud a tharlaíonn sa scoil. Slánaítear baill BOM go pearsanta as a ngníomhartha mar Bhord Bainistíochta, ag glacadh leis go n-oibríonn siad laistigh de na treoirlínte. Cuireann Pátrúin oiliúint ar fáil agus cuirfear oiliúint ar gach ball den Bhord Bainistíochta.

Tá 8 gcomhalta ar ár mBord Bainistíochta.
2 ionadaí an phátrúin, á roghnú ag ár bpátrún, An Foras Pátrúnachta .
An Príomhoide
Ionadaí múinteora - Pléfar é seo leis na múinteoirí chun an chinneadh a dhéanamh.
2 ionadaí tuismitheora - Vótálfaidh tuismitheoirí chun a chinneadh cé a sheasfaidh mar iondaithe na tuismitheoirí.
2 ionadaí an Phobail - Seo daoine nach bhfuil baint dhíreach acu leis an scoil, a roghnaíonn agus a cheapann na 6 Chomhalta Boird eile tar éis dóibh a bheith ceaptha.

Cén fáth ar chóir dom mé féin a ainmniú?
Tugann áit ar Bhord Bainistíochta léargas uathúil ar an gcaoi a rithear scoil go laethúil, conas a dhéantar cinntí, cad atá ar siúl ag an scoil, polasaithe srl. Seo do sheans do ghuth a bheith ag an mbord nuair a dhéantar na cinntí deiridh. Ní féidir le scoileanna feidhmiú gan Boird Bhainistíochta, agus gan 2 thuismitheoir deonach atá sásta a gcuid ama a thabhairt, ní féidir an Bord a bhunú.

Má tá imní ort faoi aon bhac ar pháirt a ghlacadh e.g. am, teanga, scileanna, déan teagmháil le do thoil agus labhair liom nó le duine de na Comhaltaí Boird reatha. Tá rud éigin le tairiscint ag gach tuismitheoir don Bhord Bainistíochta, tá súil againn go ndéanfaidh go leor agaibh machnamh air.

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Má tá aon cheist agat, déan teagmháil le oifig@gaelscoilnamara.ie

The Boards of Management (BOM) of every primary school in the country will dissolve on 30th November 2023. New Boards of Management will be constituted, for the 4 year term 2023-2027. They will take the reins on the 1st Dec 2023. The governance manual outlines how this happens, and the roles and responsibilities of the BOM. You can find the full governance manual here.

What is a Board of Management (BOM)?
A BOM manages a school on behalf of the Patron. The BOM runs the school, is the employer & has legal responsibility for everything that happens in the school. BOM members are personally indemnified for their actions as a BOM, assuming they work within the guidelines. Training is provided by Patrons and all BOM members will be trained.

There are 8 members on our Board of Management.

- *2 Patron nominees, chosen by the our patron, An Foras Patrúnachta..*
- *The Principal*
- *A teacher nominee - Teachers will vote to determine who becomes teacher nominee.*
- *2 Parent nominees - Parents will vote to determine who becomes parent nominees.*
- *2 Community Nominees - These are people not directly connected to the school, who are chosen & appointed by the other 6 Board Members after they're appointed, for skills they can bring to the Board.*

Why should I nominate myself?
Being on a Board of Management gives a unique insight into how a school runs day to day, how decisions are made, what the school is working on, policies etc. It's your chance to have your voice at the table where final decisions are made. Schools cannot run without Boards of Management, and without 2 parent volunteers willing to give their time, the Board cannot be formed.

If you are worried about any barriers to joining e.g. time, language, skills, please reach out and have a chat with me or one of the current Board Members. Every parent has something to offer the Board of Management, we hope that many of you will consider it.

If you have any questions, please contact oifig@gaelscoilnamara.ie

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Cairde na Scoile

Le cúnamh Cairde na Scoile, táimid ag iarraidh Bus Siúil a eagrú do pháistí na scoile. Chuaigh foirm léiriú spéise amach ar Aladdin an tseachtain seo. Iarraimid oraibh an fhoirm a líonadh chun cabhrú linn plean a chruthú. Beidh daoine fásta ag teastáil do a leithéad do thionscanamh seo. Sa nasc Aladdin tá leabhrán eolais faoi conas bus siúil a rith i gceart agus na nithe tábhachtach a mbaineann leis. Measaim gur smaoineamh iontach atá ann, go háirithe nuair a fheicimid an méid caranna a bhíonn i gcarrchlós na scoile roinnt laethanta. Caithfimid tosnú ag smaoineamh ar an todhchaí anois, mar níl ach carrchlós an-bheag againn, don fás bliaintiúil a tarlóidh.

With the help of Cairde na Scoile, we are trying to organise a Walking Bus for the children of Gaelscoil na Mara. We have sent out an expression of interest form on Aladdin this week. We ask you to fill out the form to help us create a plan. Adults will be required for this initiative. In the Aladdin link there is an information booklet about how to run a walking bus properly and the important things involved. I think it's a great idea, especially when we see the traffic in the school car park on some days. We have to start thinking about the future now, we have a very small car park, and the school community will only grow every year.

Coisir Oíche Shamhna

Beidh cóisir Oíche Shamhna ar siúl sna ranganna Aoine 27/10. Táimíd ar fad ar bís. Tá cead roinnt milseáin sa bhosca lóin comh maith le gnáth lón sláintiúil. Níl cead cnónna in aon bhealach - cnónna féin, nó nutella nó Kinder bueno srl. Tá cead gléasadh suas mar chailleach, phúca, súmaire nó rud ar bith eile máis mian libh! Níl aon ghá nó brú ar éinne gléasadh suas ach oiread.

Beidh craic 'is ceol sa rang agus ag brath ar an aimsir, paráid Oíche Shamhna comh maith.

The children will have their annual cóisir Oíche Shamhna Friday 27/10, where they can come to school dressed up as witches, ghouls, vampires or whatever takes their fancy. There is no pressure on anyone to dress up if they don't want to. Some treats are allowed in the bosca lóin on the day, along with their usual healthy lunch. Please remember, no nuts in any form...ie peanuts, nutella, kinder bueno etc. Weather permitting we hope to have a halloween parade and lots of fun and games.

Tá Cairde na Scoile ag pleanáil Díolacháin Císte ar lá an choisír Oíche Shamhna. Beidh cístí atá baile déanta nó ceannaithe ag teastáil uainne sa scoil chun an mhaidin álainn seo a chur i bhfeidhm. Beidh fáilte roimh na tuismitheoirí teacht (gléasta suas,

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más maith libh!) chun féachaint ar na feistis Oíche Shamhna i bparáid ó 9:30rn (ag brath ar aimsir) agus táimid ag súil le roinnt airgead a thiomsú don scoil chun trealamh nua spóirt a cheannach. Tuilleadh eolais le teacht ar Aladdin an tseachtain seo chugainn.

Cairde na Scoile are planning a Cake Sale on the day of the Halloween party. We will need homemade or bought cakes at school to celebrate the day. Parents are welcome to come (dressed up, if you like!) to see the Halloween costumes in a parade at 9:30am (depending on the weather) and we hope to raise some money for the school to buy new sports equipment. We will send out more info on this next week through Aladdin.

Ciorcal Comhrá

Beidh an chéad Ciorcal Comhrá eile ar siúl do thuismitheoirí Ghaelscoil na Mara ar Luan 23ú Deireadh Fómhair, i dteach tabhairne Keelings ag a 9in

The next Ciorcal Comhrá, for the Gaelscoil na Mara parents will be held on Monday 23rd October at 9pm in Keelings pub.

Dátaí don Dialann

Briseadh Meán-Téarma:

Scoil Dúnta ón 28ú Deireadh Fómhair & ag Oscailt Luan 6ú Samhain 2023.

Gnáth lá ar Aoine 27ú Deireadh Fómhair. (Ní leath-lá atá ann)

School Closed from 28th October & Opening again Monday 6th November 2023.

A normal day on Friday 27th October. (No half day)

Le dea-ghuí agus buíochas,
Orflaith Ní Mhaicín