



Gael Scoil Droichead na Banndan

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Scoil Dúnta/School Closure

Beidh an Ghaelscoil dúnta ar Aoine 28ú lá Samhain.

The school will be closed on Friday, November 28th to facilitate Child Protection Procedures – Whole School Professional Learning Day.

Ceoldráma/School Musical – Coláiste na Toirbhirte 'School of Rock'

Beidh páisti Rang 5 & Rang 6 ag freastal ar cheoldráma dár teideal 'School of Rock'.

Pupils of Rang 5 & Rang 6 have been invited to attend the school musical 'School of Rock' in Coláiste na Toirbhirte on Thursday, November 27th. Pupils will walk over with their class teachers and will return to the school before 1pm.



Rugby Blitz – Rang 5 & Rang 6

Beidh Blitz Rugbaí ar siúl ag páisti Rang 5 & Rang 6 ar an 4ú lá Nollag. Pupils from Rang 5 & Rang 6 are invited to participate in a Rugby Blitz in Bandon Rugby club on Thursday, December 4th. Pupils will travel by bus to the event and return approx. by 1pm. Pupils are asked to contribute €4 towards bus transport. A payment link will be sent via Way2Pay shortly.



Éide Scoile / School Uniform

Ba cheart do gach dalta an éide scoile a chaitheamh gach Luan, Máirt agus Aoine. Is ar an gCéadaoin agus an Déardaoin amháin go mbíonn an culaith reatha á gcaitheamh.

The new school jumper has arrived at Kevin Bowens, Bandon. Naíonáin Bheaga & Naíonáin Mhóra will continue to wear their school tracksuit each day. Pupils from Rang 1-Rang 6 are requested to wear their full school uniform on Monday, Tuesday and Friday. The school tracksuit is to be worn only on Wednesday and Thursday. Parents are reminded to label all jumpers, coats etc. Please be reminded rain jackets are to be brought to school every day.

Debating

Maith sibh Rang a 6 a bhí san iomaíocht i gComórtas Díospóireachta Bunscoile Concern inné.

Well done to Rang 6 who competed in the next stage of the Concern Primary Debating Competition yesterday. Maith sibh!



Bailiúchán Bia / Food Drive for Bandon Food Bank

Tá bia á bhailiú againn i gcomhair Bandon Food Bank an Nollaig seo. Bheimis buíoch as aon tacaíocht gur féidir libh a thabhairt don charthanacht iontach seo. Beidh tralaí siopadóireachta fágtha ag príomhdhoras na scoile. Baileofar na boscaí lán de bhia ar an Luan an 15ú de Nollaig.

This Christmas we would like to continue our tradition with a local food collection. We would be delighted if any families were in a position to donate even 1 non-perishable item (dried food) for our *Bandon Food Bank* food drive this Christmas. Bandon Food Bank is available for any family/individual that just needs a little bit of help this Christmas. Please feel free to add any food items at the main door. Items will be collected by a member of the Bandon Food Bank on Monday morning December 15th. Go raibh céad míle maith agaibh.



Go Raibh Maith Agaibh/Thank you

Go raibh maith agaibh. A big thank you to the Army Band who performed for the school on Thursday, November 20th. The performance was a huge success and the pupils thoroughly enjoyed it. A very big gratitude to Captain Ben Jacob and Enda Moynihan (Chairperson of the Parents' Association) who organised such a memorable and enjoyable day for all students and staff. Go raibh maith agat also to Sinéad Faithfull who prepared delicious sandwiches for the army band to enjoy after the performance.



Way2 Pay

Le meabhrú daoibh gur féidir libh na táillí thíos a íoc ar Way2Pay anois.

A gentle reminder –Payment links are available on Way2Pay.

- *Final date for payment for the Pantomime in the Everyman in Cork (December 1st)*
- *Final orders for Christmas Annuals were taken on November 13th. Annuals will be distributed next week.*

Páirceáil/ Parking

Tá cosc ar pháirceáil do thuismitheoirí i gcarrchlós Jeffers.

There are a small number of Parents still accessing Jeffers/Staff car park in the morning and evening drop off and collection at Club Spraoi. To ensure the safety of all children we would kindly request that all parents avoid parking in these areas.



Daidí na Nollag / Santa Claus

Hó Hó Hó! Beidh Daidí na Nollag ag teacht chuig an scoil ar Luan 15ú lá de mhí na Nollag. Tabharfaidh an cuairteoir speisialta roghbhosca do gach páiste. Más fearr leat gan roghbhosca a fháil dod' pháiste cuir nóta sa dialann roimhré le do thoil.

Santa Claus will be visiting the school on December 15th to visit all classes. A selection box will be given to each child to take home. Buíochas le Coiste na dTuistí a chur na boscaí seacláide ar fáil! A big thanks to the Parents' Association for providing selection boxes for the children.

If you would rather your child does not receive a selection box please leave a note in the homework diary for the class teacher before December 10th.



Lá na nGeansaithe Nollag/Christmas Jumper Day!

Beidh fáilte roimh na daltaí geansaí Nollag a chaitheamh nó hata Nollag a chaitheamh ar an Luan 15ú lá de mhí na Nollag. Ní bheimis ag súil go gceannódh thuismitheoirí aon rud nua chuige seo.

Children are invited to wear a Christmas Jumper/Christmas Hat on Monday, 15th December (Anything with a Christmas theme is suitable). Pupils are asked to contribute €1-€2 for a local charity.



Feachtas na mBroscaí Bróg / Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Go raibh maith agaibh dos na boscaí Nollag. Thank you to everyone who supported the Team Hope Christmas Box appeal this year.



Christmas Pantomime — Everyman Theatre

Beidh Naíonáin Mhóra - Rang 6 ag dul go dtí an Everyman Theatre ar, an 17ú lá de mhí na Nollag chun féachaint ar sheó na Nollag. Tá 'Cinderella' á chur i láthair. Beidh costas €27 ar gach páiste. Fágfaidh an bus an scoil ag 9.15 agus beidh sé thar nais do 2:50.

Naíonáin Mhóra – Rang 6 will travel to the Everyman Theatre on December 17th to see the Christmas Pantomime. This year's performance is 'Cinderella'. The entry to the pantomime and transport is €27 per child. The bus will leave the school at 9:15am for the 11am performance and return back to the school before 2.50pm. Children are asked to bring a packed lunch and drink on this day.

Payment can be made via Way2Pay. The closing date for payment for the pantomime can be made up to December 1st. The Everyman will be contacted with final confirmed numbers on December 1st. As a result, refunds after this date are not available.

While the other classes attend the pantomime the Naíonáin Bheaga will have a Christmas Movie pyjama day in the halla. Junior Infants can be collected at the normal time of 1:50pm.

Due to the pantomime – there will be no hot meals for any classes on this day.



Seó na Nollag – 16ú Nollaig Christmas Show

Beidh Seó na Nollag á chur ar siúl i mbliana sa Ghaelscoil ar an 16ú de Nollaig.

Well done to all the children and múinteoirí ranga who are busily preparing for this year's Christmas show. A special thank you in advance to our wonderful staff, support staff and drama teachers to help to make this a special event for the children and the parents of the Gaelscoil.

Our Christmas shows will take place in the school hall on Tuesday, December 16th. Teachers are informing pupils of the costumes for their performance. Due to the limited hall space, two adults per family are welcome to view the Christmas Show. To facilitate the smooth running of each Christmas Show, the hall will need to be vacated after each performance. Siblings will have the opportunity to see all performances prior to the big day.

The Show will be recorded by Greg Mulcahy Video and a private link will be sent in due course. Purchase for the Show link is available on Way2Pay until Friday, December 12th (please note this is optional).

Please see Aladdin to give consent for the recording & sharing of the Christmas Show. The link will be from Mediazilla and it will be sent to one email address per family.

<i>Naíonáin Bheaga & Naíonáin Mhóra</i>	<i>Frozen</i>	<i>9:30-10:00</i>
<i>Rang 1, Rang 2 & Rang 3</i>	<i>Matilda</i>	<i>10:30-11:20</i>
<i>Rang 4, Rang 5 & Rang 6</i>	<i>Shrek</i>	<i>12:00 -12:50</i>

All classes are requested to come to school in their full costume on the day of the performance.



Coding Ireland

Tá Rang 3- Rang 6 tar éis tús a chur le Clár Scileanna Digiteacha. Foghlaimeoidh na daltaí scileanna digiteacha tábhachtacha, ina measc códú agus litearthacht dhigiteach. Is cuid de rolladh amach náisiúnta an Churaclaim Eolaíochta, Teicneolaíochta agus Innealtóireachta é seo.

Rang 3-6 have started Coding Ireland's Digital Skills Curriculum. Pupils in these classes are developing digital skills such as coding and digital literacy. This programme forms part of the national rollout of the NCCA Science, Technology & Engineering Curriculum.



FUSE Anti-Bullying and Online Safety Programme

I mbliana, ghlacamar páirt sa chlár frithbhulaíochta FUSE le ranganna 3, 4, 5 agus 6. Múineadh na ceachtanna sa rang thar chúig seachtaine. Thug na ceachtanna seo tuiscint níos fearr do na daltaí ar bhulaíocht agus ar shábháilteacht ar líne.

This year pupils from Rang 3-Rang 6 took part in the FUSE anti-bullying and online safety programme. Lessons were taught over five weeks to help students to deepen their understanding further of bullying and how to stay safe online.



GOAL Jersey Day

Go raibh maith agaibh. Thank you to everyone who supported the GOAL jersey day in October the amount raised was €287.00. Go raibh maith agaibh.