Nuachtlitir na Nollag 2022

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Tá foireann agus páistí na scoile gnóthach na laethanta seo agus iad ag tnúth go mór leis an Nollaig. Tá spás alainn san fhorhalla, agus dírítear aird na bpáistí ar an máinséar atá lasta suas. De réir a chéile, beidh na páistí ag crochadh a gcuid maisiúcháin ar chrann na scoile. Táimíd buíoch do Shane Phelan, New Orchard, as an gcrann Nollag álainn a bhronn sé orainn. Is féidir crann atá ag fás a roghnú, muna bhfuil ceann agat cheana féin.

The staff and pupils of Gaelscoil Osraí are busy preparing and looking forward to Christmas. We have a lovely space in the hall where children are encouraged to look at the crib which is beautifully lit and decorated. Our huge Christmas tree is being decorated by the children. We are grateful to Shane Phelan, New Orchard, for donating the tree. If you haven't bought yours already, children can pick their tree from those growing in the field.

Gaeilge: Le dhá mhí anuas, tá spreagadh ar leith ar siúl, chun Gaeilge a labhairt.Táimíd ana-shásta, go bhfuil feabhas mór ar líon na bpáistí ag labhairt Gaeilge eatarthu féin sa chlós. Múineann rang sínsearach difriúil, cluiche chlós nua gach Aoine, agus is iontach an rud é, na páisti beaga a fheiscint á n-imirt. Táimíd buíoch don tacaíocht sa bhaile chomh maith.

Gaeilge: We are implementing a number of strategies to encourage children to speak Irish. We are very happy that the level of spoken Irish in the yard has improved significantly. The older classes introduce a new yard game to the younger children every Friday, and it's marvellous to see the positive effect they have on the younger children. We are grateful for your continued encouragement at home also.

Athchoimre ar obair Choiste na Gaeilge: Coiste Ghaeilge (Fé stiúir Múinteoir Neasa)

- **Ag eagrú róta le haghaidh Cinnirí na Gaeilge .. na páistí ó na ranganna sínsearacha ag spreagadh agus ag spraoí leis na bunranganna le linn am lóin mhór .**
- **Le cuidiú ón ndeontas don leabharlann tá cúig seiteanna des na leabhair " Sona ag léamh " roghnaithe agus ceannaithe . Beidh léitheoireacht roinnte ag tosnú sa bhliain úr idir árdranganna agus bunranganna ag baint usáid astu.**
- **Cur i láthair des na cluichí clóis ag an tionól.**
- **Tá beagnach gach rang ó rang a trí ar aghaidh tar éis cluiche clóis a chur I láthair ag an bpointe seo . Molaimid dos na páistí iad a thrialladh le linn na mbristí .**

Coiste na Gaeilge continue to play a big part in promoting Irish in the school:

- *Organising a rota for mentoring younger children on the yard*
- *New Irish readers have been purchased, which will be used for peer reading in the New Year*
- *Almost all classes from Rang 3-6 have taught the younger children a yard game as Gaeilge*

Seo roinnt de na rudaí ata ar siúl ar scoil:

Naíonáin Shóisearacha: Múinteoirí Jennifer agus Máise

- **Táimíd ag ullmhú do cheolchoirm na Nollag a beidh ar siúl i halla na scoile ar an gCéadaoin 14ú ag 1pm.**
- *We are preparing for our Christmas Concert, which will take place in the hall on Wednesday 14th, 1.00*
- **Beimíd ag dul ar siúlóid thíos faoin mbaile ar an Déardaoin le cabhair ó daltaí san idirbhliain chun maisiúcháin na Nollag sa bhaile mór a fheiceáil.**
- *We will go on a walking tour on Thursday to see the Christmas decorations in town.*
- **Táimíd ag tabhairt faoi píosa ealaíne speisialta le sheoladh chuig sean-dhaoine a beidh ag caitheamh an Nollag i dteach altranais i mbliana.**
- *We are preparing some special artwork to send to elderly people who will spend Christmas in nursing homes.*

Naíonáin Shínsearacha Múinteoirí Maria D agus Ivan

- **Beidh ceolchoirm Rang Maria D ar siúl dé hAoine ag 1.00 agus ceolchoirm Rang Ivan ar siúl dé Luain ag 1.00.**
- *Rang Maria D. are preparing for their concert which will take place on Friday at 1.00, and Rang Ivan will hold their concert at 1.00 on Monday*
- **Chuireamar na Boscaí Nollag le chéile**
- **We prepared lots of Christmas Shoe Boxes for other children**
- **Thugamar cuairt ar Shéipéal Naomh Fiacre.**
- **We visited the St. Fiachre's Church**
- **Chuamar ar chuairt go dtí an Leabharlann chun scéal na Nollag a chloisint**
- **We visited the library and listened to the Christmas Story.**
- **Is breá linn gleacaíocht sa Halla**
- *We really enjoy gymnastics in the halla.*

Ranganna 1- Maria T/ Niamh agus Deirdre /Nell

- **Dhúisigh na páistí le dúthracht gach Maidin Dé Máirt agus thugadar faoi Sraith Iomána le fonn agus fuinneamh ar an Astro roimh am scoile. Bhaineadar an-sult as an deis a gcuid scileanna a fhorbairt agus thug sé deis iontach don dá rang 1 am a**

chaitheamh i dteannta a chéile ag comhoibriú agus ag spraoi. Beidh an Chraobh Sraithe ar siúl an tseachtain seo chugainn.

- ***Ranganna 1 have really enjoyed their Hurling League before school on Tuesday mornings. Their skills have improved, and it has afforded them a great opportunity to play together. Encouraged by the whole school audience, the final will be held shortly.***

Ranganna 2- Sylvia agus Fiona/ Dearbhail

- **Bhí blitz againn le Nathan i Larchfield, Laoch na himeartha bronnta ar Sinéad.**
- **Táimid ag baint taitneamh as an ngleacaíocht le Múinteoir Caoimhe.**
- **Bhainemar go léir taitneamh as Aonach na Leabhar sa Halla.**
- ***Ranganna 2 completed their activities with Nathan, Games Promotion Officer, with a blitz in Larchfield. Well done to Sinéad- Player of the Match.***
- ***We are enjoying gymnastics with Caoimhe.***
- ***Ranganna 2 really enjoyed the Book Fair in the hall.***

Ranganna 3: Michelle/ Liselott, Tanya/ Carolann agus Máire Ruth-

- **Ghlacamar páirt i séisiúin CLG agus blitz thíos i Larchfield láthair Shéamúis Stiopháin.**
- ***We participated in the GAA blitz in Larchfield***
- **Rinneamar obair ar ár gcártaí Nollag féin a dhearradh.**
- ***Our class designed our own Christmas cards***
- ***We are working on our reading targets on the Accelerated Reader programme with daily D.E A.R time(Drop Everything And Read) in ár leabharlann nó sa seomra ranga! We are enjoying the books we bought at Aonach na Leabhar!***

Ranganna 4- Brian agus Ashleigh

- **Tá an dhá rang ag cleachtadh na hamhráin do Cheolchoirm na Nollag go tiubh faoi láthair. Is iad na hamhráin a bheidh siad ag casadh ar an lá ná Trasna na dTonnta, Óró Sé do Bheatha 'Bhaile agus Peigín Leitir Móir. Tá na páistí an-tógtha leis na hamhráin seo a d'fhoghlaim roinnt mhaith againn agus muid ar scoil fadó, fadó. Tá togha na Gaeilge sna hamhráin agus le cúnamh Dé fanfaidh siad leis na páistí go deo.**
- ***Both classes are practicing for the Christmas Concert on Tuesday 20th. They are enjoying the songs,* Trasna na dTonnta, Óró Sé do Bheatha 'Bhaile agus Peigín Leitir Móir *and we hope they will remember these songs long after their time at school has ended.***

Ranganna 5- Conor agus Niall

- **Le mí go leith anuas, tá an dá Rang 5 ag cleachtadh do Sing Out. Beidh ceithre scoil ag teacht le chéile in Ard Eaglais Naomh Cainneach an Luan seo chugainn don gceolchoirm. Táimíd an-bhuíoch do Music Generation as an deis seo.**

- *Ranganna 5 accepted an invitation to participate in Sing Out- a 6 week four school collaboration programme, ending with a Cathedral Concert on Monday night next.We are very grateful to Sinéad Blanchfield of Music Generation, for affording us this opportunity, and to Barbara Kelly and Clare Kilkenny, two vocal musicians with Music Generation Kilkenny, who have been rehearsing with the children every Friday.*

If you don't have tickets, and want to be placed on a waiting list, please email: musicgenerationkilkenny@kcetb.ie

Ranganna 6- Nioclás, Neasa/Maria R. agus Cormac

- **Téann ranganna 6 ag snamh gach Céadaoin**
- **Spreagann siad na páisti níos óige chun Gaeilge a labhairt**
- **Bíonn siad ag léamh leis na bun ranganna**

- *Rang 6 continue their swimmimg programme on Wednesdays*
- *They are encouraging younger classes to improve their Irish*
- *They are also participating in peer-reading sessions with younger classes.*

Aonach na Leabhar/ Book Fair (f/c Múinteoir Michelle)

Bhain na páisti an-taitneamh as Aonach na Leabhar ag deireadh na míosa seo caite. Bhí sé go hiontach é a bheith ar siúl arís, tar éis cúpla bliain le Covid. Táimíd fíor-bhuíoch do Khan as a cuid oibre agus tacaíocht donn scoil. Míle buíochas do na tuismitheoirí a chabhraigh leis an Aonach.
The children really enjoyed the School Book Fair. It was a new experience for many of them, as we were unable to hold it for a few years due to Covid restrictions.. We are extremely grateful to Khan for her hard work , support and enthusiasm, and to all the parents who helped organise the Book Fair.

Lá Rothaíochta na Nollag/ ***Christmas School Cycle (f/c Muinteoir Proinnsiasa)***

Ag braith ar aimsir fhabhrach, ba mhaith linn Rothaíocht na Nollag a chur ar siúl dé hAoine ag 10.00. Beidh cead ag Ranganna 1-6, bheith gléasta in éadaí Nollag, agus rothaíocht 3 km a dhéanamh. Beidh thart ar 15 tuismitheoir uainn chun cabhrú linn. Led' thoil, cuir glaoch ar Aisling san oifig más féidir leat rothaíocht nó maoirseacht a dhéanamh.
Depending on favourable weather, we hope to hold a Christmas cycle on Friday at 10.00. Ranganna 1-6 will be welcome to dress in Christmas clother and complete a 3km Christmas cycle. We will need approximately 15 parents to help- please contact Aisling in the office if you can cycle or steward. The cycle can't go ahead without your help.

Seisiún Ceoil/ Music Session (f/c Múinteoirí Proinnsiasa, Fiona, Carolann)

Táimíd ag tnúth go mór leis an Mháirt seo chugainn. Bainfidh an scoil ar fad taitneamh as seisiún mór ceoil scoile. Tiocfaidh aíonna chun cur leis an ócaid, agus feicfear toradh na hoibre agus an chleachtaidh ata ar siúl ó thus na bliana. Is ócáid do pháistí é, mar sin, ní bheidh spas do thuismitheoirí san halla.

We are all looking forward to a great occasion on Tuesday 20th, when all school pupils and special guests will participate in a music session in the hall. The School Choir and School band have been practicing since the start of the year, and it promises to be an enjoyable occasion. It is an occasion for all school children to participate in, so unfortunately, there will not be room for parents in the hall.
Thanks to John Purcell, who will record this event for sharing with parents.

Boscaí Nollag/ ***Christmas Shoe*** **Box Appeal (Buíochas do Mhúinteoir Maria D. a d'eagraigh)**
Míle buíochas do na páistí ar fad a dheonaigh boscaí álainn go flaithiúil, a chuirfidh áthas ar pháistí faoi bhuntáiste, in áiteanna eile ar domhan. Tugadh isteach 278 boscaí!
Sincere thanks to all the children who generously donated Christmas Shoe Boxes, which will bring happiness to less-fortunate children, in other parts of the world. A total of 278 boxes were donated!

Ceolchoirm na Leon, Cór na Scoile agus Grupa Ceoil na Scoile/ Lions Concert and School Band and Choir (f/c/ Muinteoirí Sylvia, Rós, Proinnsiasa, Fiona agus Carollann.)
Beidh Cór na Scoile ag canadh ag Ceolchoirm na Leon ar an Déardoin, agus beidh an Grupa Ceoil ag seinnt, ag 7.30, i Séipéal Naomh Cainneach.
Our school choir will sing at the Kilkenny Lions Club Christmas Concert, and the Grupa Ceoil will perform, in St. Canice's Cathedral on Thursday 15th, at 7.30.

Múinteoirí Tacaíochta/ ***Support Teachers (Múinteoirí Proinnsiasa, Rós, Iarla, Sorcha agus Ciara).***
Tá na múinteoirí tacaíochta fíor shásta leis na cláracha idirghníomhacha atá curtha isteach sna seomraí tacaíochta an deireadh seachtaine seo. Bainfidh na páistí tairbhe agus taitneamh astu. Go raibh maith agat Múinteoir Nioclás a d'eagraigh.
The support teachers are delighted with the interactive boards installed in their rooms this weekend. Go raibh maith agat Múinteoir Nioclás for organising.

Sábháilteacht/ Safety
Go raibh maith agat, Múinteoir Tanya, as an Druil Dóiteáin a eagrú ar maidin. Bhí na páisti an eagraithe agus tapaidh ag éalú ón scoil.
Tá Coiste agus Polasaí Theagmhais Chriticiúil curtha le chéile le déanaí- le cúnamh Dé- ní bheidh sé uainn.
Thanks to Múinteoir Tanya for co-ordinating a very efficient Fire Drill today.
We also have a Critical Incident Policy and Team in place- hopefully- we won't have to refer to them.

Guímíd gach rath ar Mhúinteoir Niamh de Buitléir, a bheidh ag imirt ar son Séamus Stiofán, i gCraobh Club Idirmheánach na hÉireann dé Sathairn seo chugainn i bPairc an Chrócaigh.

Best of luck to Múinteoir Niamh de Buitléir, who will play for James Stephens, in the All-Ireland Intermediate Club Final on Saturday in Croke Park.

Laethanta Saoire
Beidh an scoil ag dunadh ag meánlae ar an gCéadaoin, 21 Nollaig. Tiocfaidh an t-Athair Roderick chugainn an mhaidin sin, chun Aifreann a rá.
Gaelscoil Osraí will close for Christmas holidays on Wednesday December 21st, at 12.00.
We are grateful to Fr. Roderick, who will say Mass in the school that morning.

Guím Nollaig shona shíochánta oraibh go léir.

Le buíochas as bhúr dtacaíocht,

Siobhán Ní Chorcora, agus an fhoireann ar fad