Gaelscoil na Camóige

Nuachtlitir, 21 Deireadh Fómhair 2024

Seachtain Mata/ Maths Week

Bhí Seachtain Mata den scoth againn i rith na seachtaine seo caite, le neart spórt is spraoi le Mata! Ár mbuíochas le Múinteoir Clíodhna agus le Múinteoir Caitríona, a chur clárama iontach le chéile do gach rang. Bhí meascán de chlúichí, Dubhfhocal an lae, Maths Eyes, Cluichí Corp Oideachais, ealaín agus go leor eile!! Bhain na páistí an-sult as na gníomhaíochtaí éagsúla, maith sibh!

We had a fun packed Maths Week last week, with plenty of fun and games for all the classes! A huge thank you to Múinteoir Clíodhna and to Múinteoir Caitríona who organised the timetable, full of maths fun for the children. Plenty of Maths games, Maths Art, Riddle of the Day, Maths Eyes in Corkagh Park, Maths in P.E class and so much more- The children had a wonderful week, enjoying all the activities- maith sibh go léir!

Grow at School Initiative

Is cúis áthais dom a chur in iúil daoibh, go mbeidh Gaelscoil na Camóige ag glacadh páirte sa chlár Grow at School i mbliana. Beidh an clár seo ag cabhrú le páistí foghlaim faoi bhia, ag súil go mbeidh tuiscint níos doimhne acu ar bhia atá sláintiúil inbhuanaithe ag deireadh. Beidh Rang 2 ag tabhairt faoin gclár, le Múinteoir Sandra, agus táimid ag súil go mór leis an bpaca garraíodóireachta atá ar an mbealach chugainn faoi láthair!

We are delighted that GAELSCOIL NA CAMOIGE, is invited to take part in GIY's GROW at School food growing programme for primary schools. This is being offered as part of a fully funded GIY Neighbourhoods programme in the Citywest and surrounding area of Dublin.

GROW at School is designed to increase food literacy in primary schools. Through garden-based learning and hands-on growing experiences, the children develop a deeper understanding of where healthy, sustainable food comes from. Rang 2 with Múinteoir Sandra are excited to be the leading class on this programme, and we cannot wait for our delivery of a garden kit during the Autumn term.

Scoil Rothaíochta / Cycle School

Beidh Rang 5 ag cur tús leis an Scoil Rothaíochta ar an Dé Máirt 5 Samhain, ar feadh 7 seachtaine. Is deis iontach é seo Sábhailteacht Bóithre a mhúineadh agus taithí rothaíochta a fhorbairt sna bpáistí. Tá costas , le h-íoc, €2 don mhúinteoir ranga. Beidh na páistí ag caitheamh éadaí spóirt na scoile gach Máirt don Scoil Rothaíochta. Ár mbuíochas leis an gComhairle Contae Átha Cliath Theas agus le An Taisce, as deontas a laghdaigh an costas go mór dúinn.

5th class will be starting the Cycle Right Cycling School on Tuesday 5th November, for 7 weeks on the school yard. This is a fun opportunity to teach Road Safety to the children, whilst giving them a chance to develop their cycling skills. The children may wear the school tracksuit for the duration of the course. The cost for the Cycling School is ϵ 2 and can be paid directly to the class teacher. Our thanks to South Dublin County Council and to An Taisce for grants, which has reduced the cost significantly.

Bille Scoile/ School Bill

Mar is eol daoibh, is é **an Aoine seo, 25 Deireadh Fómhair** an data deiridh le bille na scoile a íoc, tríd an Aip Aladdin. Ár mbuíochas leo siúd a d-íoc an bille. Chun cabhrú leis an mBord Bainistíochta pleanáil éifeachtúil a dheánamh don scoil bhliain atá le teacht, tá se rí-thábhachtach go n-íocfar an bille in am.

Níl an Bord ag iaraidh cur le aon bhrú airgeadais atá ag tuismitheoirí, mar sin, má tá deacrachtaí agat an bille a íoc téigh i dteagmháil leis an oifig, go rúnda, le seo a phlé. oifig@gsnc.ie nó 01-4576878

As you know, the final date for payment of your child's school bill for this year 2024/25 is this **Friday 25th October**. Many thanks to those who have paid this bill to date. If you have yet to make a payment we remind you that all payments must be made through the Aladdin App. Timely payment of the school bill is essential to allow us to plan for the year ahead and continue to provide a high standard of education for the children.

As always, the Board of Management does not wish to add financial stress to any family, experiencing difficulties with payment and should this be the case, please contact the office in complete confidence; email oifig@gsnc.ie or phone 01 4576878.

Bailiuchán de Bhréagáin/ Toy Appeal

Beidh Gaelscoil na Camóige, in éineacht le tuismitheoir Joseph Nugent, ag bailiú bréagáin le tabhairt go carthanachtaí áitiúla roimh an Nollag. Beidh Joseph ag bailiú na bréagáin ó 4-11 Samhain ón scoil. Seolaigí bréagáin glan, a oibríonn go breá, chuig na scoile i rith na seachtaine sin le bhur dtola. Cabhróidh na bréagáin seo le teaghlaigh sa cheantair, ag an am seo den bhliain. Mo bhuíochas le Joe as an tionscnamh seo a chur i bhfeidhm. Gaelscoil na Camóige, along with Joseph Nugent, a parent in our school, are appealing for donations of toys to help local families, who may be struggling at this time of year. Joseph will collect the toys donated each day from the 4th - 11th November from the school. Please send in clean toys that are in good condition. Our thanks to Joe for arranging this generous and worthwhile initiative.

Max O'Connor First Light

Beidh lá gan éadaí scoile againn ar an gCéadaoin, 23 Deireadh Fómhair chun airgead a thiomsú do <u>First Light</u>. Más mian le páistí dath gorm nó bándearg a chaitheamh, dathanna a thaitin le Max, tá fáilte rompu. Is féidir airged a sheoladh tríd Aladdin nó airgead tirim a thabhairt don mhúinteoir /oifig. Ár mbuíochas libh as bhur dtacaíochta de.

On Wednesday (October 23rd) Gaelscoil na Camóige is organising a fundraiser in memory of Max O'Connor. Max died tragically in May while swimming - he was 15 years of age and a student in Coláiste Chilliain.

The fundraiser is for "First Light" a charity that offers free professional support and provides information to families in Ireland that have experienced the death of their child.

"First Light" has been a huge support to Max's family and friends since his tragic

passing.

We will have a "No uniform Day" on Wednesday, which would have been Max's 16th birthday. If children would like to wear something pink or blue (Max's favourite colours), they are welcome.

Parents can donate on Aladdin, or in cash to the class teacher or office.

All proceeds will be sent to "First Light".

Cruinnuithe Tuistí/Múinte oirí

Beidh na cruinnithe tuismitheoirí/ múinteoirí ar siúl, **20 agus 21 Mí na Samhna 2024**. Cruinnuithe sna seomraí ranga ata i gceist. Beidh cruinnuithe ar fáil ar Zoom más rud é nach bhfuil tuiste in ann bheith i láthair ar an lá. Téigí i dteagmháil leis an múinteoir ranga más fearr leat Zoom.

Beidh deis agaibh bhur am a chuir in áireamh go luath ar Aladdin.

Parent/ Teacher Meetings

Beidh an scoil ag dúnadh ag 2.15i.n ar an dá lá seo.

The parent-teacher meetings will take place on 20th and 21st November 2024. Face to face meetings are the preferred option. However, if a parent is unable to attend in person, a Zoom Meeting may be facilitated. Please contact the class teacher to arrange a Zoom meeting if this is required.

Parents will be able to select preferred time(s) shortly on Aladdin.

The school will close at 2.15 pm on Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st to facilitate the Parent/ Teacher Meetings.

Scoileanna Idánacha/ Creative Schools

Is cúis áthais dom a chur in iúil daoibh gur éirigh le Gaelscoil na Camóige lena n-iarratas go "Scoileanna Ildánacha" ag deireadh na bliana seo caite. Beidh Múinteoir Rachel agus Múinteoir Claire ag tabhairt faoin gclár iontach seo a chur faoi lánseol i mbliana, agus beidh na páistí ag oibriú ar thionscnamh cruthaitheach thar tréimhse dhá bhliain.

Is tionscnamh suaitheanta de chuid Chlár Éire Chruthaitheach é Scoileanna Ildánacha chun acmhainneacht chruthaitheach gach páiste a chumasú. Tá Scoileanna Ildánacha á stiúradh ag an gComhairle Ealaíon i gcomhpháirtíocht leis an Roinn Oideachais agus an Roinn Turasóireachta, Cultúir, Ealaíon, Gaeltachta, Spóirt agus Meán. Tacaíonn

tionscnamh na Scoileanna Ildánacha le scoileanna na healaíona agus an chruthaitheacht a chur i gcroílár shaolta páistí agus daoine óga. Soláthraíonn an tionscnamh seo deiseanna do pháistí agus do dhaoine óga a scileanna ealaíne agus cruthaitheacha a fhorbairt; cumarsáid a dhéanamh, comhoibriú, a samhlaíocht a spreagadh, a bheith airgtheach, agus leas a bhaint as a bhfiosracht. Cuirfidh sé ar chumas páistí agus daoine óga gníomhaíochtaí ealaíne agus cruthaitheacha a fhorbairt, a chur i bhfeidhm agus a mheas ar fud a gcuid scoileanna agus spreagfar bealaí breise oibre a threiseoidh tionchar na cruthaitheachta ar fhoghlaim, ar fhorbairt agus ar fholláine leanaí agus daoine óga. Beidh Gaelscoil na Camóige páirteach sa tionscnamh Scoileanna Ildánacha i mbliana agus táimid ag súil go mór leis!

I am delighted to inform you that Gaelscoil na Camóige succeeded in our application to the Arts Council for funding to be a "Creative School" at the end of last school year. This project will be driven by Múinteoir Rachel and Múinteoir Claire over the next two years, where the whole school will work on various projects to develop and highlight Creativity throughout the school.

Creative Schools is a flagship initiative of the Creative Ireland Programme to enable the creative potential of every child. Creative Schools is led by the Arts Council in partnership with the Department of Education and the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media. The Creative Schools initiative supports schools to put the arts and creativity at the heart of children's and young people's lives. This initiative provides opportunities for children and young people to build their artistic and creative skills; to communicate, collaborate, stimulate their imaginations, be inventive, and to harness their curiosity. It will empower children and young people to develop, implement and evaluate arts and creative activity throughout their schools and stimulate additional ways of working that reinforce the impact of creativity on children and young people's learning, development and well-being.

Gaelscoil na Camóige will be part of the Creative Schools project this year and we're really looking forward to it!

Dia dhaoibh go léir,

We ran a hugely successful Halloween costume swap at the beginning of the month. Thank you to everyone who donated costumes, and we hope that all the little trick or treaters enjoy them!

CAIRDE

Thank you so much to everyone who came to last weeks Open Cairde meeting. It was great to hear about all the exciting school news from Príomhoide Aoife and to update you all on how our plans are coming along. For a full run down of the meeting your class reps will have sent you the minutes to read through.

We were delighted to have so many of you order your Cartaí Nollag this year. The cards looked great and I'm sure everyone will love receiving them this Christmas! Plus we raised over ϵ 900 which will be used to directly help the children. Well done everyone, thank you so much!

We're now in the midst of creating the school's 2025 calendar which will be on sale in December. We are very grateful to Jenny Johnston, a parent of the school, and her company Azure Communications for creating and printing them this year free of charge. Go raibh míle maith agat! This means that 100% of sales and sponsorships will go directly back into the school. To make the most of this, we are currently looking for businesses to buy advertisement spaces within the calendar. If you have a business of your own or know someone who does and would like to support us in this way, please get in contact with us on the yard or via email.

As always, should you like to get in touch with us, please don't hesitate to grab us in the yard, email us at cairdecamoige@gmail.com or contact us through your Class Rep. Tabhair aire.

Your Cairde Committee, Jen, Laura and Richie

