



MARCH NEWSLETTER

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 6th March

World Book Day

Friday 14th March:

Lá Glas

Monday 17th March:

School closed St. Patrick's Day

Friday 11th April:

Easter Holidays

(School closed for two weeks)

Saturday 24th May:

First Holy Communion



St. Patrick's Day The school will close on Monday 17th March for St. Patrick's Day.

Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion

Our sixth-class boys and the girls from St. Patrick's Girls' School received the sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday 1st March. We wish God's blessings on all the children on this very special occasion.

Parents, sponsors, family and friends of the Confirmation group attended the school on Friday for a Confirmation Prayer Service.

First Holy Communion has been arranged for Saturday 24th May at 1:00 pm.

Lá Glas

As part of Seachtain na Gaeilge, we will celebrate **Lá Glas** on Friday 14th March. Children and staff are invited to dress up in green on this special day. We look forward to seeing your green outfits.

Seachtain na Gaeilge

Is Féile idirnáisiúnta Ghaeilge í Seachtain na Gaeilge agus tá speis mhór againne anseo inár dteanga agus inár gcultúr dúchais. Tá a lán imeachtaí siamsúla agus spráíúla eagraithe ag na múinteoirí le linn Sheachtain na Gaeilge. Beidh na buachaillí sna hardranganna ag glacadh páirt i gcomórtas sheanfhocail. Beidh duaiseanna ar fáil do na buaiteoirí. Beidh Lá Glas ag dul ar aghaidh ar an Aoine Iú lá de Mhí an Mhárta. Is féidir leis na daltaí agus na daoine fásta éadaí glasa a chaitheamh ar an lá speisialta seo. Beidh damhsa mór ar síúl ar an lá seo chomh maith. Beidh buachaillí ag rince le daltaí ó Scoil na gCailíní i Halla Mhic Colgáin. Beidh trí damhsa ann - An Damhsa Mór, Ballaí Luimnigh agus lonsaí na hinse. Tá a lán imeachtaí eile á reachtáil freisin an tseachtain seo chugainn, mar shampla comortas seanfhocail, tráth na gceist, rannta agus ceol.

Trí Seanfhocail:

“Mol an Óige agus tiocfaidh sí” - “Praise the youth and they will prosper”

“Is fearr Gaeilge briste na Béarla cliste” - “Broken Irish is better than clever English”

“Níl aon tinteán mar do thinteán féin” - “there’s no place like home”

Ceilí Mór: The boys and girls from the senior classes (fourth, fifth & sixth) will get together for a Ceilí Mór in the Colgan Hall on Friday 14th March as part of our Seachtain na Gaeilge and Lá Glas activities. The boys are practising their dancing and look forward to meeting up with their friends from GNS. We hope everyone enjoys the fun.

Library Visits: Children will attend the local library for Bingo and an Irish Author visit as part of our celebrations.

Easter Holidays

The school will close for two weeks for the Easter break. The school will close from Friday 11th April (which will be a normal school day) and will re-open on Monday 28th April.

World Book Day

World Book Day is on 6th March. All children have received World Book Day tokens which may be redeemed in book shops.

Parents' Association Fundraiser

The parents' Association are currently running the 50/50 draw every week up until Easter. Draw takes place in the school at 11:15am on a Wednesday. Well done to Carolanne Doherty, Charles' mum who was the lucky winner of €109 this week. Envelopes will be sent out every week on a Monday. You may also pay on www.paypal.me/carnboysschoolpa and your entry will be included in the draw. Half the money collected will be given as prize money. Good luck everyone!

Morning Assembly

Children are supervised every morning from 9:10 am to 9:20 am. Thank you for making sure that children do not arrive before this time. There is a Breakfast Club available for children/families that need to arrive earlier. The Breakfast Club is available from 8:00 am and is run by Spraoi & Sport. It has proved very popular and we now have many children attending daily. Spraoi & Sport also run the after-school provision.

Parents are reminded that they should not drive into the school carpark in the mornings or afternoons. The carpark is extremely busy with staff cars and buses. A small number of families have permission to drive in. If you feel that you need to drive into the school grounds, please speak to Mrs. McLaughlin, Principal.



Chess

Sixteen boys from Fifth & Sixth classes represented the school on Wednesday at a chess tournament in Scoil Eoghan, Moville. The group included:

Jay Doherty, Matvii Ryga, Edward Doherty, Daniel Bhatti, Aidan Jackson, Adam Khadija, James Doherty, Lochlainn Harkin, Alex Doherty, Matthew Kelly, Rory Bradley, William Ponder, Carter Taitt, Jaxon Logue Farren, Cole Crumlish Porter, Declan McConomy.

The boys had great success on the day, with the two teams placed first and sixth and they enjoyed the challenge.

We say “Si” to Spanish

Fifth & Sixth Class pupils are currently involved in the “Say Yes to Languages” programme. The children are learning basic Spanish and are enjoying the challenge. We have received funding for a ten-week programme which is delivered by Mr. Mark Spencer, an experienced teacher from Carndonagh Community School. Mr. Spencer is sharing his passion and expertise in Spanish with our pupils and the boys are enjoying the lessons immensely. We recognise the value and importance of a module such as this and it will give our senior pupils a great head-start before they transfer to post primary school.

Fair Trade

Fairtrade Fortnight runs from 3rd to 16th March. Change Makers' focus this year is on getting more fairtrade products available in Donegal shops, cafes and hotels at a time when climate change is already affecting growers, producers and traders. Well done to Mrs. Barr and our Fair Trade committee for their great work.

Beannachtaí na Féile Pádraig oraibh go léir.

Happy St. Patrick's Day to all our children and families.

