

# Nuacht de h-Íde

## The newsletter of Gaelscoil de h-Íde

### Samhradh 2018



**Ár Scoil Nua**

### *Focail ón bPriomh Oide*

***Bliain scoile eile thart agus gach éinne ag súil leis an sos. Bhí alán ar siúl ag na daltaí arís an téarma seo agus táim buioch do fhoireann na scoile a d'oibrigh go dian leo. Bhí lá iontach againn nuair a d'oscail an tEaspag Liam Ó Croidheáin an scoil go hoifigiúil le deanaí. Tá súil agam go mbeidh saoire deas sabháilte agaibh go léir.***

**Another school year draws to an end and the school community is looking forward to the holidays. I would like to thank teachers, pupils, Sp. Needs Assistants, Caretaker and Secretaries for all their hard work and support during the year. Thank you to Cairde de hÍde for your excellent support and work as always. The fantastic support from parents is of course always appreciated. We had a great day recently for our official opening and I thank all who helped with the organizing in any way. Unfortunately we could not invite all the school community due to lack of space and the protocol that goes with official openings. Our Fete again proved to be a major success. Cairde are always looking for new members.**

**I am asking you to encourage your child to go outdoors as much as possible this summer. Children need to be active and unfortunately we are hearing too many stories about children staying indoors and playing games on their X Box/Playstation. We are hearing about young children playing games that will in time affect their concentration and will also have an impact on their behaviour. It is vital that parents are aware of the games their children are playing and of the amount of time spent on gaming. Be very careful.**
**So here's to good weather and the great outdoors!!!**
**Hope you all have a happy and safe Summer.**





**Féilire 2018/19**

**School Re -opens :** Friday 31st August 2018

**Halloween Mid-Term Break:** Monday 29th October 2018- Friday 2nd November 2018

**Christmas 2018: Close 12 Noon, Friday** 21st December 2018 and re –open Monday 7th January 2019

**February Mid-Term:** Monday 18th February 2019—22nd February 2019

**Easter Holidays : Closed 12 Noon Friday** 12th April re-open Monday 29th April 2019

**Summer Holidays : Close 12 Noon,** Friday 28th June 2019

**Closures in 2018/19 could be affected by weather conditions. i.e. Easter holidays may be shorter to make up for days lost to adverse weather conditions.**




**Turas Scoile Nn.Bheaga.** Nn. Bheaga went to Chuckies Soft Play Area in Ballincollig for their school tour. There was so much to do there and they had great fun. Everybody enjoyed the day .

**Turas Scoile Nn.Mhóra.** Nn. Mhóra went to Monkey Maze for their school tour. The bus was noisy with everybody talking and some children had an early lunch. When we got to Monkey Maze everybody got a tag and then we all went and played. There was a really big red slide. It was so high but not scary. When it was time to go home we gave back our tags and then we went home. It was a great day.**Ellie Ní Chíosóg , NNII reporting**

**Turas Scoile Rg. 1 agus Rg. 2.** We went to the Mardyke for our school tour. When we got there we went into a big hall and it was divided into 3 sections. We met our leaders and the teachers put us into groups . We played lots of games. My favourite was the indoor rock climbing. We put on a safety harness and a helmet. I'm afraid of heights but I went to the top of the wall. Then we played more games. We changed leaders and then we went to dance. It was great fun. We ate our lunch and played some more games. It was time to go home. We had a fantastic day.**Jasmine Nic Cárthaigh Rg.2 reporting**

**Turas Scoile Rg. 3 agus Rg. 4.-** Rg. 3 and Rg. 4 went to UL for their school tour. It was a long trip to Limerick and we all chatted on the bus. It was a very hot day. First we were in the swimming pool. It was a huge pool and we had great fun playing with our friends. Then we went into the bouncy castle. We went canoeing and everybody had their own canoe. There was also rafting and orienteering. We sat in the shade when we ate our lunch. We were tired on the trip home and some people fell asleep. We had an amazing day.**Ruth Nic Oitir Rg 3 reporting**

**Fete an tSamhraidh -**Bhí an Fete ar siúl ar an 10ú lá de mhí an Mheithimh. Bhí an aimsir go hálainn agus bhí gach duine ag súil leis. Bhí a lán rudaí iontacha ar siúl cosúil leis an Jumble Sale, Díolachán Leabhar, Díolachán Cístí, Whell of Fortune agus an chuid cluichí eile. Bhí alán duaiseanna iontacha ar fail ar an lá chomh maith. Bhí bearbaiciú ann agus bhí na "hot dogs" thar barr. Bhain gach duine sár taitneamh as an lá agus táimíd ag súil leis an mbliain seo chugainn.

I mí Feabhra d'inis an múinteoir dúinn faoin **"Texaco Childrens Art Competition".**Cheap mé go mbeadh sé deas rud a chur is-teach. Chuir mé isteach péintéail agus chuir me an t-ainm "A Walk in the Woods" air.Tar éis cúpla mí, fuair mé litir sa phost. Dúirt an litir gur bhuaigh mé "Special merit award" agus bhí cuireadh dom dul go dtí an duais bhronnadh. Bhí mé an-shásta. Ar an 30ú lá de mhí Bealtaine, bhí sé ar siúl. Dhúisigh mé go luath, agus chuaigh mé suas go dtí Mala. Ansin, fuair mé an traein ó Mhala go dtí Hueston i mBaile Átha Cliath. Nuair a shroicheamar Baile Átha Cliath shiúlamar go dtí halla Kilmainham.Chuaigh gach duine suas chun teastas a fháil agus tar éis sin chuamar chun "Afternoon Tea" a fháil. Ansin fuair mé mo dhuais agus chuamar abhaile.Bhí lá iontach agam! **Daisy Moller Lily Raphalen** received a Certificate of Commendation from Texaco Children's Art Competition.



**Graduation in UCC** On Monday 28th May, Rang 1 and Rang 5 went with their teachers to a graduation ceremony for the BFG (Big Friendly Guide) to EU programme that they had completed over 6 weeks in school. Some of our parents also made the trip to UCC. Two pupils from each class were on stage for the ceremony. The ceremony opened with a speech from Emmanuelle, our teacher for BFG to EU. Next to speak was Dr Marian McCarthy, Interim Vice President of Teaching and Learning in UCC. Celebrity guest, Ryan Tubridy, then spoke to us. He was by far the funniest of the speakers. He told us that if we want to earn enough money to buy "stuff" we should read books! Ryan then presented the certificates to the schools. After the ceremony we went for a short tour around the Quad and saw the Boole statue. We then put on blue and gold gowns (colours of the EU) and had a group photo taken. The day ended with a buffet in the Main Rest. It was a very enjoyable day and hopefully it won't be the only time we will graduate from UCC .**Tadhg Ó Diomasaigh Rang 5**



**Cake Sale. Rg 4 (Cian and Jamie)** held a bake/cake sale on the 20th of June.This is now an annual event. All classes were invited to the hall throughout the day to purchase. Children and parents put a tremendous amount of work into the baking for the sale and pupils were very proud of their results. All monies raised will be going to a charity but at time of Nuacht de hÍde going to print this had not been decided. Míle buíochas to all.

## Frasaí ag rang a sé:

**Rg 6 Orla**

Seán: Bhí na turas scoile I Rg 5 agus Rg 6 go hiontach!
Eabha Ní C: Ní chreidim go bhfuil an t-am sa Ghaelscoil imithe!
Jack: Thaitin sé go mór liom bheith ag obair le Pól!
Josh: Bhí an Spelling Bee thar barr!
Kaitlyn: Bhuamar Sciath na Scol I Rg 5!
Aoibhe Ni D: Bhuamar na Euro Eddies!
Clodagh: Bhain mé alán taitnimh as na Gala Snamha
Gearóid: Bhí gach muinteoir an-greannmhar!
Keelin: Bhí gach duinr sa rang an-dheas nuair a thainig mé isteach sa scoil!
Marina: Bhi an Spraoi agam I Seo na Nollag!
Evie: Bhí Cór Fheile ar fheabhas!
Adam O Don: Thaitin an garraiodoitreacht liom!
Emily: Thaitin se go mór liom bheith arv an gCoiste Glas!
Mia: Bhí an summon wrestling ag an fete ar fheabhas
Tayler: Bhain me taitneamh as gach rud!
Alisha: Bhí an Spraoi agam I gCiarraí!
Ellen Ní M: Braithfidh mé uaim mo chaired go léir!
Ellen Ní D: Bhi alán spraoi agam I Rg 6!
Adam O Duin: Bhi Spórt na Cathrach thar barr!
Eilís: Bhain mé taitneamh as mo cvhuid ama anseo ó Nn Bheaga go Rg 6!
Zara: Thit me go minic I Rg 2 agus ritheamar amach as bindealáin!!
Leah: Bhain mé taitneamh as rince sa seo na Nollag deireannach!

**Rg 6 Richeal**

Takara: An rud is fearr liom sa scoil ná gach lá bím le mo chairde
John Mac:I s maith liom an turas scoile agus mo chairde
Nicole: Bhain mé an-taitneamh as an turas I Rang a 5
Amyra: Braithfidh mé uaim na múinteoirí agus an scoil
Katie K: Ní dhéanfaidh mé dearmad ar an turas scoile I rang a 6
Ben: Ní dhéanfaidh mé dearmad ar an am a sheas duine suas dom sa rang
Nathan: Ní dhéanfaidh mé dearmad ar an am a chuamar go Ciarraí
Saoirse:Ní dhéanfaidh mé dearmad ar an Blitz Euro Eddie
Daisy:Ní dhéanfaidh mé dearmad ar an lá a bhogamar go dtí an scoil nua agus braithfidh mé uaim na múinteoirí go léir
Niall:Ní dhéanfaidh mé dearmad ar m'am sa scoil seo
Cormac: Ní dhéanfaidh mé dearmad ar an turas scoile
Ellen: Braithfidh mé uaim na múinteoirí agus an scoil go léir. Ní dhearmadfaidh mé an lá a bhogamar go dtí an scoil nua, lá anmhór a bhí ann!
Katie H: Ní dhearmadfaidh mé Am Ciorcail
Eve: Ní dhéanfaidh mé dearmad ar bheith ag imirt sa chlós le mo rang
Levi:Thaitin sé liom nuair a bhíomar ag dul go Ionad na nÓg chun cleachtadh
Sadhbh: Ní dhéanfaidh mé dearmad ar an seachtain a rinneamar ealaín don seachtain ar fad
John L: Ní dhéanfaidh mé dearmad ar Chiarraí I Rang a 5
Noah: Ní dhéanfaidh mé dearmad ar CLG agus m'am I Rang a 5 & 6
Aaron: Bhí an turas scoile go Ciarraí go hiontach
Liam: Braithfidh mé uaim an scoil nua
Cillian:Ní dhéanfaidh mé dearmad ar an blitz iománaíochta I gColáiste Cholmáin
Rachel: Braithfidh mé uaim mo rang agus na múinteoirí
Maria:Ní dhéanfaidh mé dearmad ar an siúlóid suas go dtí an scoil nua
Criostóir : An rud is mó a thaitin liom ná an chéad lá ar scoil
Zoe : Thaitin an cluiche idir buachaillí agus cailíní sa chlós

**Rang 6—**Martina Donfield gave a talk to Rang 6 about Mental Health Issues. Go raibh maith agat Martina.



## Go n-éirí go geal libh

Thank you to all the pupils and parents of Rang a Sé.. A special thank you to the parents who have their youngest moving on to Second Level. Thank you for your hard work and support.
Be sure to keep in touch :)



**Páistí / Clann ag críochnú sa Ghaelscoil.** We would like to thank the following families who have finished with their primary education in Gaelscoil de hÍde. We appreciate the commitment and support given throughout the years of involvement with the school and wish all the pupils the best of luck with their secondary education.
Marina Ní Dhuarcáin, Mia Ní Cheallaigh Mhuiris, Tayler George, Zara Ní Dhonnabháin Campbell, Adam Ó Duinneagáin, Alisha Ní Chuirc, Emily Ní Chonaill, Evie Rose Ní Nuanáin, Jack Ó Súilleabháin, Kaitlyn Ní Chróinín, Nathan Mac Iomhair,Maria Ní Sheasnáin, Levi de Róiste, Katie Ní hAirtnéada, Eve de Paor, Cormac Ó Briain, Amyra Seoigh, Nicole Ní Ghallachóir, Takara Bowes, Noah Sherwood, John Ó Lonargáin, Aaron Mac Craith.

**Active week 2018**
As a part of our efforts to achieve the Active school flag we organised an action packed active week this year. To say it was a success is an understatement! Our aim this year was to promote and develop the PE strand athletics. We ordered some state of the art equipment and began the week with an athletics circuit. All staff and pupils wore tracksuits for the week. To kick-start each morning, we started with an outdoor boot camp for ten minutes. It was a brilliant way for all staff and students to get involved! We also invited cork city FC to come to the school and they carried out a professional soccer coaching session for us. The Irish wheel chair foundation also paid us a visit and the children got to experience wheelchair basketball and games, and they really enjoyed this activity! Tracy McDonald, a local Zumba instructor came out to do a session with all the classes. This was one of the most enjoyable activities of the week and everybody took part, even the teachers! Paul Howard, a parent and fitness coach was kind enough to come into the school and set up a state of the art strength and conditioning test for us. This was absolutely fantastic. During this week we also had a spinathon, a skipathon and a jersey day! We raised over €580 for Rebel Wheelers in Cork! To finish off our action packed week there was a variety of blitz held in our Astro turf pitch.




Ár seachtú mBrat Glas. We are very proud to announce that we recently received our 7th Green Flag when we travelled to the Radisson Blu Hotel in Little Island. This flag was achieved for our reduction in energy consumption in the school and also in raising awareness of climate change.We are very lucky that our new school is eco-friendly . Evie and Eve, who are members of the green school committee also travelled for the presentation. Rang 3(Martina) entertained other schools with their songs which gave a clear message of the importance of caring for the environment. We look forward to the flag raising ceremony this month. Comhghairdeas leis an gCoiste Glas agus le pobal uile na scoile.

**Eolaiocht -**This term we welcomed two scientists to work with the students on the electricity theme. Michael O Leary from Tyndall Institute worked with the senior classes while Angela McGlynn form Anyone4science worked with Rang 1-Rang 3. The children enjoyed the experience and we look forward to similar projects again next year.






**Orienteering.** Rg. 6 went to Corrin Hill on the 12th June for an orienteering activity. The pupils were divided into groups and the object of the exercise was to follow the map and find the markers dotted around the course. There were 11 markers in total and all the groups were timed to see who could find all the markers and get home in the fastest time. Of course, there can only be one winner!!




**Raising the Flags.** We raised 2 flags on Tuesday 19th of June. The first flag to be raised was for our initiative for healthy eating/ Bia Sláintiúil. The second flag raised was for the green schools initiative/ Scoil Glas. This is our 7th Green Flag! Keep up the good work.

**Internet Safety .**Ger Brick spoke to senior pupils about the importance of internet safety recently. He encouraged pupils to share any negative experiences with parents and to report cyberbullying. He answered questions from pupils. There was also a parent information evening .This can be viewed at www.inetsafetytalk.com/parentinfo.

**Spórt na Cathrach/ Cork City Sports.** The Cork City Sports were held in CIT on Friday 1st of June. It was a very busy day and the girls had an early start getting to the venue on time. The boys' races took place in the afternoon. Everyone enjoyed the day and the boys did particularly well bringing home a number of trophies. Buíochas to the múinteoirí and parents who travelled on the day, to those who were stewarding and to Martina who trained the children.








**Euro Eddie Blitz.** The Euro Eddie Soccer Blitz was held in the Fermoy Soccer Grounds on Friday 8th of June. Boys from Rg.1 and Rg.2 competed in the junior section and reached the final but met stronger opposition on the day. The senior boys' team reached the final and they also met the same fate as the junior team. Both teams however played really well and we were very proud of their commitment throughout the matches. The girls were in top form and stormed through their matches.Even the high temperatures (24 degrees) didn't hinder them and they eventually won the final. Comhghairdeas libh cailíní. Míle buíochas to Cian, Gavin, Richeal and Eibhlín who accompanied the teams.





**Blitz Peile for Gaelscoileanna.** Senior pupils travelled to Mayfield on the 22nd May for the annual Blitz Peile which is organised for Gaelscoileanna. The teams were a mix of buachaillí and cailíní. They played 2 games and lost both, however they were gracious in defeat and thoroughly enjoyed the day. Buíochas to the múinteoirí who travelled with them on the day.

**Céad Comaoine.** Children from Rg 2 celebrated their Céad Comaoine with their families in St. Patrick's Church, Fermoy on Saturday the 19th of May .The mass was officiated by Fr. Aquin . Children from ranganna 4, 5 and 6 sang in the choir which was conducted by Órla. Buíochas to múinteoirí Bernadette and Irene for all their work in preparing the children for the sacrament and also to the parents who helped out in the school hall with refreshments.






**Glenahulla Quiz**. Well done to Hannah, Clara, Muireann and Róisín H. in Rg. 4 who travelled to Glenahulla for the final quiz of the school year. They competed against 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th class children and came 3rd overall. Comhghairdeas libh cailíní.

**Lá Spóirt Ranganna 3- 6.** Sports day was held in St. Colman's pitch on one of the hottest days of the year . With temperatures reaching 25 degrees it was decided that all classes would be back in school before 12 o' clock. There were plenty of events to enjoy ,both competitive and novelty. Pupils tested their skills with the poc fada and the cic fada and it was serious business for the class races. The only complaint on the day was that it didn't go on for long enough. However , pupils got an opportunity to finish novelty races, obstacle courses on another day and everybody was happy. Medals were presented in the school hall.

**Lá Spóirt Ranganna Naíonáin- Rg 2—**The junior classes had their sports day in the school grounds on Friday 29th of May. The yards, astro pitch and hall were divided into zones. Each class went to a designated zone and this rotated throughout the day. As well as class races there were novelty races, obstacle courses to be negotiated, skipping, basketball ,target throwing, hoola hoops , parachute games and much more. The children thoroughly enjoyed the day and went home with a little less energy than usual!

**Maths Quiz.** St Colman's College organised a maths quiz for 6th class primary pupils in May. It was very well attended. We sent 3 teams in total with 3 pupils on each team. The pupils enjoyed the event and did quite well overall. They thought the event was interesting. Míle Buíochas to the staff and pupils in St. Colmans for organising the quiz.

**Preparations for the Official Opening of our school.** There was so much preparation for the day of the Official Opening on the 11th May . Classes from Naíonáin to Rg. 2 had to practise the guard of honour .The children were so good on the day that they got " High Fives " from the Bishop. Ranganna 3,4,5,6 had to learn and rehearse their songs many times. Practise makes perfect and the singing and performing was super on the day. They had also received serious words of encouragement from the múinteoirí . Children looked so well in their full school uniform and the decision not to wear shoes, socks only in the hall, well maybe that won't be repeated ( skid marks!) . We had practised walking into the hall in an orderly manner and above all to be ciúin and the pupils deserve a big bualadh bos for doing exactly that. Múinteoir Jamie took the time to put masking tape on the floor so that each child would know exactly where to stand! The cleaners however thought the floor would look better if there was no masking tape so much to Jamie's amusement he had to redo the whole thing. Both Ailbhe and Jennifer's classes spent time practising for Raidió na Gaeltachta as did the music group who were happy to practise during their lunchtime. This is just a little insight into the busy week pupils had in preparing for a wonderful historical day in our school.



**Gala Snáimh.** This year's end of year gala was held on the 14th of June. Classes from Rg 2 to Rg 6 took part and were brought to the pool by bus. Although there were medals involved it was great fun and the children love the opportunity to go to the pool. Presentations were made in the school hall after the gala. Thank you to the parents who volunteered on the day , it is much appreciated. Míle buíochas do na múinteoirí a chabhraigh chomh maith.

**The Flower Bed.** The flower bed near the school yard was full of weeds and we dug them out with little shovels and rakes. My teacher brought in moss peat and we poured it all over the flower bed. Then everyone in my class planted their own flower that the teacher gave us. We dug a little hole and put the flower in and then we watered the flowers using watering cans. Then we put decorations in the flower bed.....come and take a look! Now the flowers are growing and the flower bed looks fabulous.**Dáithí Hussain Rg. 3 reporting**



**Ár Turas Scoile Rg 5 & 6 -** Bhí ár turas scoile ar fheabhas I mbliana! Bhí sport ag gach duine. Ar an gcéad lá, chuamar amach ar bhád chun Fungi a fheiceáil. Bhí an aimsir go hálainn agus bhí an t-ádh linn mar chonaiceamar Fungi cúpla uair. Thógamar alán pictiúrí dó. Bhí tuirse orainn mar bhí turas fada againn. Ar an dara lá chuamar go dtí Castlelgregoryag déanamh surfáil agus bádóireacht. Rinneamar an traimpilín ar an uisce chomh maith. Bhí lá iontach againn agus bhíomar fliuch báite. Rinneamar alán siopadóireacht sa Daingean. Is brae liom siopadóireacht! Bhí an turas scoile go hiontach agus tá súil agam go rachaidh mé ar ais.

**Déanta ag Ellen, Rang 6 Richeal**