

GLINSK N.S. NEWSLETTER

September 2021

Welcome Back

We welcome everybody back to school after the summer holidays. We especially welcome our new pupils Grace, Lauren, Cían, Jake, Darragh, Neal, Max, James and Leo look forward to helping them settle into school routine. We also welcome Ms. Derbhla Phillips and wish her well in the junior room and Ms. Lisa McIntyre who will teach 1st, 2nd & 3rd class on principal admin days.

Healthy Lunches

Remember our Healthy Lunch Policy is for all school days. Some pupils have serious food allergies and therefore we ask that pupils don't offer lunches to other pupils and in return should not accept lunches from other pupils. This is the only time when sharing is not good!!

E-mail addresses

You can contact the school on (094) 9655257 or e-mail glinsknschool@gmail.com Staff can also be contacted at the following e-mail addresses:

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Brennan Pupil Insurance

Brennan Insurance Company has a Personal Accident Insurance cover for school pupils. There are 2 options available under the optional scheme.

1. Cover for school related activities only which costs €4.60 per pupil
2. Cover on a 24-hour basis, 365 days per year which costs €7.10 per pupil

Please see www.pupilcover.ie for more information & benefits of the cover. Please find enclosed an application form for this **optional insurance scheme** for interested families which can be completed and returned to the school by **Friday 1st of October.**



Amber Flag Initiative

The Pieta Amber Flag Initiative recognises the individual efforts of primary and secondary schools, youthreach, third level institutions, community groups and clubs to create healthy, inclusive environments that support mental well-being.

All classes will work on different well-being activities and collectively as a school to support and improve mental well-being throughout the year.

Book Rental Scheme

Please find enclosed book rental & workbook fees for all pupils payable for 2020 – 2021. Payments can be made securely through the school website at www.glinskns.ie and click on the **About** tab at the top, then click on **Make a payment** and select a payment or by E.F.T. [Electronic Funds Transfer]. The school bank account IBAN number for E.F.T. payments is **IE57 AIBK 9371 4212 8280 44**

Text – a – Parent

If you have changed your mobile number or have not received the text sent at the end of August, please contact the school to ensure that you receive future texts and that the correct number is on the contact list. Or if you have changed your e-mail address, please contact the school with your current e-mail address.

Voluntary Contribution

The voluntary family contribution is based on the number of children attending the school. This voluntary contribution goes directly towards the cost of photocopying, art materials and school activities for pupils. The voluntary family contribution can be contributed at any time during the year with amounts as follows: Contributions can be made online through the school website.

- 1 pupil attending school - €60 per year (or €20 per term)
- 2 pupils attending school - €120 per year (or €40 per term)
- Maximum for 3 or more pupils attending - €150 per year (or €50 per term)

School Absence

If your child is absent, please **complete an online absence form on the homepage of the school website www.glinskns.ie** The school must inform the NEWB (National Education Welfare Board) if a child is absent for more than 20 days in a school year.

Sacraments

Congratulations to 3rd class pupils who received the sacrament of First Holy Communion on Saturday. We also congratulate our 6th class pupils of the 2020 – 2021 class who received the Sacrament of Confirmation and we wish them well in secondary school. Sincere thanks to the Parents Association for organising and delivering a gift bag with goodies & treats following the celebration of the sacraments to each child. It was very much appreciated. Thank you to Fr. Morris for organizing and conducting meaningful ceremonies for each sacrament.

Galway County Council

Congratulations to last years 4th, 5th & 6th classes who won an award in Galway County Council anti-litter slogan campaign in June. They won a €50 One 4 All voucher to spend on classroom resources

Gaelic Training


Gaelic Training for 1st – 6th classes will be on Wednesdays, and we encourage all pupils from 1st – 6th class to take part.

Homework

Homework will be assigned to all classes from **Monday 13th of September**. Please ensure homework diaries are signed each night.

Date to note:

A half-day school closure has been sanctioned for all schools in Term 1 2021/22 for the Primary Language Curriculum in-service training. The school will close at 12 p.m. on **Friday 26th of November**.



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