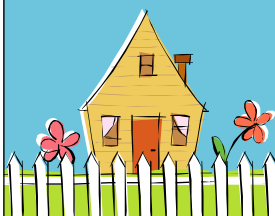


GLINSK N.S. NEWSLETTER

February 2016



GREEN SCHOOLS ASSESSMENT

Mr. Mark Molloy from Galway Co. Council visited the school on Wednesday 20th January to meet the Green Schools co-ordinator Ms. Roughneen and the Green Schools Committee for the schools assessment on litter and waste. An Táisce will contact the school based on this assessment and hopefully we will achieve our first Green Flag for our work on litter and waste.

GYMNASTICS

Gymnastics which is a part of the P.E. curriculum for all classes will begin on this **Thursday 4th February at 1p.m.** with an experienced gymnastics coach. They will continue on the 11th, 25th February & 3rd March. Classes cost €1 per pupil for each one hour session (**Total cost €4 per pupil for 4 weeks**). We hope pupils enjoy gymnastics and wear school tracksuit for comfort.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

All are welcome to join us for our Grandparents prayer service on Friday 5th February at 1p.m.

KNITTING

We are very grateful to all the grandparents and members of the community who have given so generously of their time to ensure our weekly knitting session are a great success.

ENROLMENT 2016

Glinsk N.S will hold an enrolment evening on Monday 15th February from 6-8p.m. for all pupils enrolling in September 2016.

CREDIT UNION QUIZ

Well done to all teams who took part in the Credit Union Quiz on Sunday. Congratulations to Sarah-Jane, Daniel, Paul & Tegan's team who were runners-up in the U13 section.



SIGHT SAVERS IRELAND

There were 15 regional winners and 20 certificates of commendations. Congratulations to Lee Hegarty whose painting titled **"2030 No bricks, Living in the Hills"** caught the attention of the judges and was awarded a Special Commendation Certificate. It is a great achievement to be in the final 35 from 5,000 entries in the competition. Sight Savers Ireland will circulate an image of Lee's painting to regional press. Well done Lee.

COUNTY PHOTOS

Friday 5th February is the final date for returning County Photos for any families interested in photos.

MIDTERM

The school will be closed on the 18th & 19th February for the mid-term break as per the school calendar.

Safer Internet day 2016

Safer Internet Day is an EU wide initiative to promote a safer internet for all users, especially young people. It is promoted in Ireland by the PDST Technology in Education and [Webwise](http://www.webwise.ie) (www.webwise.ie). National Safer Internet day will be celebrated in Ireland on Tuesday 9th February 2016. All classes in the school will work on anti-bullying posters as part of the Internet Safety poster campaign which can then be shared on #Up2Us.



J.E.P

The senior room had guest speakers from a variety of business backgrounds visit the school and share their business experience and entrepreneurial advice with pupils. On Friday 22nd January we had a Dragon's Den where all groups presented and pitched their ideas to the dragons. Our speakers and dragons were Mr. Tommy Griffith (P.E.L Balla, Co. Mayo), Audrey from Mill House Farm in Williamstown, Ms Sarah Meehan and Mr. John Murphy (Castlerea). Following a vote last week on the final three ideas, the **Car Wash Café** project has been selected as the project for the whole room. Well done to all the pupils who put huge effort into their ideas and pitches and congratulations to the **Car Wash Café** entrepreneurs. **Car Wash Café** is conducting J.E.P market research on our school website (www.glinskns.ie) for their project. Please take time to complete the short online survey so the senior room can progress this project.

Write a Book Project 2016

Well done to all pupils for the great effort put into all books. Books from Glinsk N.S. were exchanged on Monday 1st February. We hope they enjoy reading all the books from our young authors. Books are returned to all schools following this exchange and pupils will eventually have their own book returned to them. Presentations will take place in the **Radisson Hotel Galway** on **Monday 11th April** this year for writers of books selected as Merit Books.

Go raibh míle maith agaibh. G. Nolan, C. Roughneen, J. Keegan



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