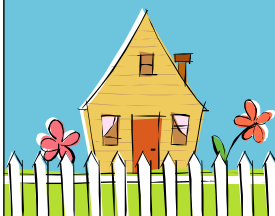


GLINSK N.S. NEWSLETTER

September 2016



WELCOME BACK

Welcome back everyone to school after the summer holidays. We especially welcome Fionnán, Conor, Cían, Finn, Lara, Kate, Isabelle, Aibhilín, Niamh, Caitlín & Beth and look forward to helping them settle into school routine.

We also welcome Ms. Sharlene Coyle (Learning Support Teacher) appointed in June and Ms. Emma Morgan who will be the visiting Resource Teacher to the school.

WHOLE SCHOOL INSPECTION

We have received notice of a whole school inspection from the Department of Education & Science which will begin on the 19th of September. Parent questionnaires from the Department will be sent out to all families as part of the W.S.E. (Whole School Inspection). **It is important to complete these and return to the school please.**

BOOK RENTAL SCHEME

Please find enclosed book rental & workbook fees for all pupils payable for 2016 – 2017.

KEEPING FIT & HEALTHY

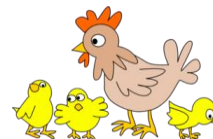
Remember our Healthy Lunch Policy for all school days. Some pupils have serious food allergies and therefore we ask that pupils do not offer lunches to other pupils and in return should not accept lunches from other pupils. This is the only time when sharing is not good!! Please find enclosed a Healthy Lunch booklet from Safe Food Ireland. If your child has any allergies that we are unaware of, please let us know.

F.A.I.

F.A.I. soccer coaching for all classes will continue this year.

HATCH FOR SCHOOLS PROGRAMME

The **Hatch for Schools** programme offers an opportunity for children to learn about chickens and their life cycle from incubation, hatching and finally growth. The school will receive an incubator with eggs which are just 2 days off hatching, brooder box, heat pad and food for the hatched chicks from Inagh Free Range Farm on the 10th of October. This is a 2 week programme & we look forward to hatching some chicks!



TIN WHISTLE

Tin whistle for all pupils from senior infants to 6th class will begin on the **28th of September** with Orla Wynn. Pupils in senior infants will need a **D** tin whistle (**D** written on the front of the whistle) and a folder for tin whistle notes e.g. poly pocket display folder.

SCHOOL ABSENCE

All pupils will receive school absence forms in the coming week. If your child is absent, please complete a form and return to the class teacher for school records. The school must inform the NEWB (National Education Welfare Board) if a child is absent for more than 20 days in a school year.

SCHOOL NEWSLETTERS

Hard copies of school newsletters received by e-mail are also available in the school on request.

GAELIC TRAINING

Gaelic Training for 1st – 6th classes will be on Wednesdays and we encourage all pupils to take part. During poor weather, the school hall will be used. Please remember a gum shield.

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.

SAMMY SAVING STAMPS

Glenamaddy Credit Union visits the school every **Tuesday** for pupils who wish to save small amounts regularly or occasionally with Sammy Stamps. Sammy Stamps cost 50c each. If younger pupils bring money to school for Sammy Stamps, please put in a safe place in their bag. Pupils in the senior classes will help younger pupils to ensure that any stamps purchased are stuck into their Sammy Savings Card. Thank you to the Credit Union for sponsoring a set of football jerseys for the school.



Credit Union

P.E.

- Ms. Roughneen's class – Wednesday
- Ms. Brennan's class – Fridays
- Ms. Nolan's class - Fridays

Remember school tracksuit bottoms & runners or comfortable footwear for these days.

SCHOOL MASS

Our school mass for the new school year will be in October (date to be confirmed)

SCHOOL CALENDAR

You can check the school calendar on the school website at www.glinskns.ie for activities & upcoming dates. You can also follow us on Twitter @Glinsk_NS

REMEMBER

Please sign your child's homework diary or homework copy (infants). Also we ask you to sign your child's spellings & table test each week and any other test that you child takes home during the school year. Go raibh míle maith agaibh



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