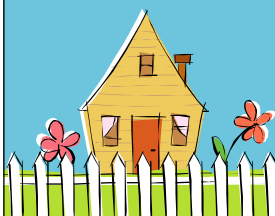


GLINSK N.S. NEWSLETTER

October 2016



SCHOOL MASS

Fr. Deogratias will celebrate mass in the school hall on **Tuesday 4th October** at 11a.m. All are welcome.

W.S.E. (WHOLE SCHOOL INSPECTION)

The school inspector presented a digital draft of the school report on Thursday 29th September to staff, Chairperson of the Parents Association & Chairperson of the B.O.M. The next stage of the process between the Department of Education and the B.O.M was outlined by the inspector. The final report when the process is completed will be published on the school website and the Department of Education website.

FAI SOCCER COACHING

FAI Roscommon & Districts have begun soccer coaching for all classes on Mondays. Two groups will have training each Monday. Junior & Senior Infants will have training each Monday and it alternates between the middle room (1st, 2nd & 3rd classes) & the senior classroom (4th, 5th & 6th classes) every second week with Garrett Muldoon & Mary Kelly.

HATCH FOR SCHOOLS

The **Hatch for Schools** programme begins on the 10th of October. Chickens will need to be looked after in a home during the weekend of the 14th, 15th & 16th of October as recommended by Inagh Free Range Farm. If you are interested in or willing to take care of the chickens, please let the school know.

SPACE WEEK 2016

Space Week begins on Monday 3rd of October. The theme for Space Week is 'Under One Sky.' The aim is to create an understanding of life on Earth and our place in the broader Universe.



CUMANN NA MBUNSCOL

Congratulations to the girls' team and their coaches who won the Cumann na mBunscol area final on Wednesday 21st and are the first girls team to win the area final. The county finals take place in **Loughgeorge** on **Wednesday 12th Oct at 10a.m.** Good luck to Aoibhe, Ava, Tegan, Sarah-Jane, Éimear, Ciara, Gabrielle, Taylor, Alanna, Marissa, Emma, Nadine, Sarah & Nichola in the finals.

ROSCOMMON ARTS CENTRE

Pupils from Junior Infants & Senior Infants will attend **Monster Music Improv on Tuesday 25th October** in Roscommon Arts Centre. Tickets for the show are €5. "Join outstanding guitarist and technology whizz Shane Latimer, acclaimed vocalist and improviser Lauren Kinsella and inventive cartoonist Patrick Sanders for a music performance with a difference. The musicians will create funky jazzy melodies on-the-spot, while Patrick draws cool cartoons of the music that are projected live! Expect lots of spontaneous music, fun, some well-known tunes, fantastic cartoons and strange spooky sounds thrown in for good measure!"

HIP-HOP DANCE

Hip-Hip dance for all classes with Dance World West will take place on the 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th of October during school for a contribution of €8 per pupil for the 4 classes.

MATHS WEEK 2016

Pupils will take part in Maths Week Ireland 2015 from the **15th – 23rd October**. Maths Week Ireland promotes, awareness, appreciation and understanding of maths.

GOAL JERSEY DAY

A guest speaker from Goal will host a workshop for pupils in the 4th, 5th & 6th classes and a talk for pupils in 1st, 2nd, & 3rd class. National Goal Jersey Day takes place on Friday 14th October. Pupils are invited to wear a jersey of their choice and make a €2 donation to GOAL or wear their school uniform as usual.

HALLOWEEN

On Thursday 27th October, we will scoop out and carve pumpkins. Each pupil will get a pumpkin to scoop out at school and then take home for Halloween. On Friday 28th October pupils can dress up for Halloween and we will play some traditional Halloween games!



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 €4.20 per pupil
2. Cover on a 24-hour basis, 365 days per year which costs €6.30 per pupil

Both of the above options are inclusive of a 30% discount when purchased online by the school. 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 21st October**. Printed copies of the attached application form are available in the school.

SHOEBOX APPEAL

Over the past few years we have participated in the Team Hope Christmas shoebox appeal. Shoeboxes go directly to children that are victims of war, disease or poverty. Leaflets with a list of items that can be included in the shoeboxes for any family that would like to donate a shoebox to Team Hope (entirely optional) will be available in the school before the Halloween holidays.

DATES TO NOTE

There will be Parent- Teacher meetings on Monday 21st & Tuesday 22nd November. More details nearer the dates.

DESIGN-A-CARD

Pupils will work on designing their own Christmas card before Halloween. Each pupil will receive a sample card of their work after Halloween with all the details about the different options for cards etc. included.

FIRE DRILL

All pupils and all staff completed a fire drill on Thursday 8th September. Fire Drills will be completed once a month up to and including December and once a term thereafter.

OÍCHE SHAMHNA "Enjoy the Halloween holidays!"



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