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Goal Jersey Day

This year €155 was raised for GOAL. Thank you to all who contributed generously to this charity.

Christmas Shoebox appeal

Team Hope Christmas Shoebox leaflets (including labels) with suggestions of what can be included in shoeboxes are available in the school on request. Donated shoeboxes can be left into the school up to Monday 14th November.

Cumann na mBunscol Cross – Country

Well done to all the pupils from 3rd to 6th class that took part in the Cumann na mBunscol cross-country competition before Halloween in tough conditions!

Art Work

Congratulations to all the pupils who won prizes the recent Glenamaddy Ploughing Championships Art competition & the Glenamaddy Credit Union Art competition. Members of the Glenamaddy Ploughing committee presented prizes to the winners before Halloween. Glenamaddy Credit Union will hold a presentation evenina on Thursday November in Glenamaddy Community School.

- Pupils will work on the Doodle 4 Google competition. This year's theme for the doodle is "If I could create anything it would be......"
- The theme for this year's Sight Saver Competition is "Framing the Future."

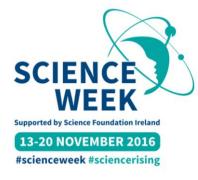
Irish Wheelchair Association (IWA)

Angel badges costing €2 will be on sale in school during the coming week. Money raised goes to the Irish Wheelchair Association national fundraising campaign.



Science Week 2016

Science week begins on 13th November. Last year pupils took part in *The Robot Hill Climb Challenge* which was very interesting, exciting & competitive. Colmac Robotics will return to the school on Tuesday 15th November to host a further workshop for all pupils from 3rd – 6th class as part of Science Week. This year pupils will work on the *Sumo Robot Challenge*. Pupils in all classes will also take part in fun science experiments-activities during this week.



Colmac Robotics Ltd is an award – winning Irish Edtech in the field of robotics education. All equipment needed for the workshop will be supplied. Pupils will use Lego NXT robotics & electronic kits during the workshop. They will design and build a sumo robot to challenge other sumo robots!



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Dates to Note:

• The H.S.E. school dentist will visit the school on *Friday 18th November* for 6th class pupils

- County Photos will be in the school on *Monday 21st of November*. Group photos of Junior Infants and 6th class will be taken on the day as well as individual photos and family photos.
- Our Green Schools committee will hold a *Toy Swap* day on Friday 2nd December. All pupils are invited to bring a toy or a book to school for a *permanent* swap. In return each pupil will have an opportunity to choose <u>one</u> toy and <u>one</u> book in return to keep.
- Please note that the school will be closed on *Thursday 8th December* The Feast of the Immaculate Conception as per the school calendar.
- The Christmas concert will take place on the *Friday 16th December* (time confirmed nearer the date)

International Anti-Bullying week

International Anti-Bullying Week takes place from the 14th – 18th November. Pupils in all classes will work on anti-bullying activities which is promoted and supported by the H.S.E. Health & Wellbeing Department. The theme for the week is *Power for Good*.

Confirmation date

Pupils in 6th class will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday 17th May at 11a.m. in Ballintubber Church.

Remembrance Day

On *Friday 18th November*, pupils from 1st – 6th classes will visit Ballinakill cemetery to pray for all Holy Souls at 2:15p.m. On return to the school we will plant spring bulbs in the nature area in memory of all. All are welcome to join the school in remembering our dearly departed.

Parent – Teacher Meetings

Parent – Teacher meetings will take place on **Monday 21st & Tuesday 22nd** of November. **The school day will end at 2:45p.m.** for all classes from 1st – 6th on each of these days. Junior & senior infants school day will end at 2p.m. Parent – teacher meetings will begin at 3:15p.m. with each family receiving a note with allocated times next week. If one of the above dates does not suit, please contact the school to organise an alternative date.

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