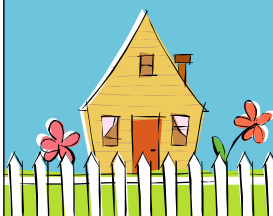


GLINSK N.S. NEWSLETTER

December 2017



IRISH WHEELCHAIR ASSOCIATION

Thank you to everyone who supported the Irish Wheelchair Association angel badge campaign. This year €144 was raised for this worthy charity.

TEAM HOPE SHOEBOX APPEAL

Thank you to everyone for supporting the Team Hope Shoebox Appeal. A total of 92 shoeboxes were collected by the charity.

ROAD SAFETY

Caroline Jordan, Road Safety Promotion Officer with the Road Safety Authority will visit the school on **Tuesday the 19th December**. Caroline will work with all classrooms on the importance of road safety through a series of fun interactive resources which will be tailored to suit each age -group.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Please remember the school will be **closed on Friday 8th of December** as per the school calendar.

CONFESSIONS

Confessions for Christmas for pupils from 3rd – 6th class will take on Tuesday 19th December at 10:30 a.m.

SUNSHINE VIDEOS

Sunshine Videos (Williamstown) will produce a video of the concert during rehearsals. These videos cost €12 for anyone interested and the final date for order is **Friday 15th December**. Cheques can be made payable to Fiona Mannion if paying by cheque.

Christmas Concert

Our Christmas Concert takes place on **Friday 15th December**. All are welcome to an enjoyable night of entertainment. Doors open at 7p.m. and our concert will begin at 7:30p.m. Thank you to the Parents Association for their help in preparing for this night. A raffle will be held on the night.

Our programme for the night:

- Music recital 1st – 6th classes
- Junior & Senior Infants present *The Bossy Kings*
- 1st, 2nd & 3rd Classes present *The Christmas Code*
- 4th, 5th & 6th Classes present *Lights, Camel, Action*

Pupils do not need to wear their uniforms for the music recital. All pupils should come dressed in their costumes to the school. Please take care of and return all costumes to the school on Monday after the concert so that they can be minded for future concerts. Any props belonging to pupils will be returned on Monday after the concert.



Sunshine Videos will record a full rehearsal on Thursday 14th and pupils will need to have their full costumes for that day. Parents, grandparents or members of the community that are unable to attend the concert on Friday night are welcome on Thursday 14th at 10:30 a.m. to watch the performances.

GREEN SCHOOLS

The Green School committee held a low energy day on **Wednesday 6th December**. They also organised an energy slogan competition to come up with a new energy slogan for the school as we work towards the Green Flag for energy. All pupils & staff tried to be more aware of energy use throughout the day and didn't use devices where possible.

ART COMPETITIONS

Congratulations to Sarah, Éanna, Caoimhe, Conor, Lee & Nicole, recent prize winners in the Glenamaddy Credit Union art competition. Congratulations to Seán, Conor & Eoin on winning prizes in the Caisleán Óir Christmas colouring competition.



COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION WEEK - HOUR OF CODE

Computer Science Education Week takes place from the 4th – 10th December. Pupils are taking part in the Hour of Code during the week working through coding levels at their own pace. This year's Hour of Code is "**Minecraft**." Pupils use blocks of code to take Steve or Alex on an adventure through this Minecraft World, work on animating their own Google logo and will also use Box Island & Lightbot coding apps on the ipads.



KNITTING

We will begin knitting & crochet for 6 weeks beginning on Friday 12th January 2018 at 2p.m. We invite any grandparent or person in the community who would be willing & interested in coming into the school to help out during the 6 weeks or even occasionally throughout the 6 weeks.

School closes on **Friday 22nd Dec at 12 o'clock** to facilitate the secondary school bus collection at 1p.m. & re-opens on **Monday 8th January**.

Wishing all families, a happy & peaceful Christmas.



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