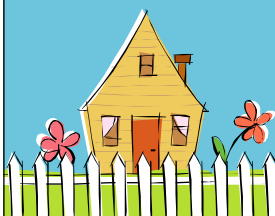


# GLINSK N.S. NEWSLETTER

January 2018



## New Year

Wishing you all a *Happy New Year* and every good wish for the coming year. We welcome Ms. Brennan back to the staff and Ms. Fannon who is teaching the senior room for the next few weeks.

## Write A Book 2018

Pupils in all classes will work on the Write a Book project over the coming weeks. This project is organised by Galway Education Centre. All pupils are encouraged to take part in this very worthwhile project with books to be completed by **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January**.



When books are completed, all books from Glinsk N.S. will be exchanged with another primary school for a 2-week period. This gives pupils an opportunity to see books from other young authors. Books are returned to all schools following this exchange and pupils will eventually have their own book returned to them.

## Dates to Note:

- School enrolment evening for 2018-2019 takes place on **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2018** from 7 p.m. – 8 p.m.
- Swimming lessons for 1st – 6th classes will commence on **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** at 10a.m. at Roscommon Leisure Centre pool.
- Confirmation for 6<sup>th</sup> class will be celebrated on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April** at 11 a.m. in St. Michael's Church, Glinsk. The school will be closed on this date.
- First Holy Communion for 2<sup>nd</sup> class will be celebrated on **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> May**.

## Lego Leagues - Hydrodynamics

The FIRST Lego Leagues competition for pupils in the senior classroom takes place on **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> of February** at the Radisson Hotel Galway (time to be confirmed). This is the first time the school in taking part in the Lego Leagues competition and best of luck to all pupils in 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> classes and teachers Ms. Coyle & Ms. Quinn who have put a lot of work into the project.



We are also grateful for all the external help with the project and input received from members of the Irish Federation of Group Water schemes, Karen Carney, Brían Ó Donall, Bert Curley, Yvonne Ward; Morris Mulhearn from Roscommon County Council & Seán Corrigan from Irish Water.



The pupils have chosen "**Go with the Flow**" as their team name and we welcome all support on the day. All parents, grandparents are invited into the school on **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> between 2 p.m. & 3 p.m.** to view the project before the competition day. We will travel by bus to Galway on Sat 3rd Feb.

## Gymnastics

Gymnastics which is a part of the P.E. curriculum for all classes will begin on **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January** with an experienced gymnastics coach. Classes will continue on the 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> January & 1<sup>st</sup> February. We hope all pupils enjoy gymnastics and recommend wearing the school tracksuit for comfort.



## Knitting & crochet

Knitting for all pupils from 1st – 6th class begins on **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January** from 2 p.m. – 3 p.m. Any parents, grandparents available to help out with our knitting sessions is welcome to join us on Friday afternoons.

## Sight Savers

The theme for this year's Sight Saver Junior Painter Awards is, ***Put us in the Picture***. All pupils will be working on their entries over the coming week.

## Buddy Bench

The Buddy Bench is a simple idea that promotes and encourages positive & inclusive friendships. Thank you to the Parents Association and in particular Brian McDermott for making and providing a buddy bench for the pupils. Pupils will work with Lorraine Curley on painting and putting their own creative touch on the bench for use in the playground.

## “Welcome Pope Francis”

Congratulations to Róisín Brennan whose art entry was among the final short-listed entries in the national “Welcome Pope Francis” competition. Pupils were invited to draw a picture of how they imagined Pope Francis visit to Ireland this year. Columba Press are making a book of the short-listed entries which is due to be published at the end of February.

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## Indoor Soccer Competition

Scoil Mhuire, Ballygar are holding an indoor soccer competition for primary schools on **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January** at the Mattie McDonagh Centre beginning at 10:30 a.m. Teams from 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> class will take part in the competition.

## Credit Union Quiz Date

Glenamaddy Credit Union Quiz will take place on **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January at 3p.m.** in Glenamaddy Community Centre for U11 & U 13 teams.

## Catholic Schools Week

Sunday 28th January marks the beginning of Catholic Schools Week 2018. The purpose of the week is to highlight and celebrate the wonderful contribution that Catholic Schools make to our local communities. This year's theme is **Called to be a Family of Families**. To celebrate the joy that grandparents bring to families, we will hold a prayer service during that week (Date & time to be confirmed).



## St. Brigid's Day

### Lá Fhéile Bríde – St. Brigid's Day

We will make St. Brigid crosses on *Wednesday 31st of January* so please remember to bring some rushes to school on this day.



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