# GLINSK N.S. NEWSLETTER June 2019

# Blue Star Programme - Europe Day

The Blue Star Programme is an education initiative for primary school pupils across Ireland. The idea of the Programme is simple: to foster better understanding and knowledge of the European Union and how it affects the lives of Irish citizens among primary pupils through classroom projects and activities. Pupils in the senior room held a Europe Day recently to showcase all their work. Marion Harkin M.E.P. visited the school on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> of May to talk to the pupils about her role as an M.E.P. & the European Union.



Luke Flanagan M.E.P. will visit the school on *Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> of June* to view the pupils Blue Star work. The pupils have been awarded the Blue Star flag in recognition of their work. *This flag will be raised on next Thursday the 13<sup>th</sup> by Luke Flanagan M.E.P. (time to be confirmed). All are welcome to the short flag raising ceremony. Well done to the pupils in the senior room & Ms. Roughneen on achieving this flag.* 

# G.A.A. 5 Star programme

The G.A.A. 5 Star initiative aims to support and recognise Primary Schools that provide pupils with Gaelic Games activity each week in a manner that ensures the children will experience fun & improve their fitness. Recognition as a "GAA 5 Star Centre" is awarded to Primary Schools that undertake to deliver a programme of Gaelic Games activity that is age-appropriate and meets the developmental needs of children within the school.



Glinsk N.S. will receive the *GAA 5 Star Centre flag* on *Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> of June* from the Cumann na mBunscol visiting coach Jason Taniane in recognition of all Gaelic activities completed by classes during the school year.

# F.A.I. SCHOOL SOCCER

The F.A.I. soccer finals competition for 3 & 4 teacher schools takes place on next Monday 10th of June at Lecarrow soccer pitch at 10:30 a.m. All players must wear shin guards. Good luck & best wishes to the girls team from 4th,5th & 6th classes.



# **Parents Association Sponsored Walk**

Sincere thanks to everyone who supported the walk organized by the Parents Association last Monday, with great support from families & the wider community. Thank you to all who prepared, cooked, served food & refreshments at the food counter and in the school hall, sponsored drinks, looked after face painting, supervised bouncing castles, organised the football skills competition, supervised football target shoot & header challenge, generously donated raffle prizes, organisers of the raffle, families who gave the use of marquees, all who helped to set them up, all the walk stewards who ensured safety along the walk, all who served refreshments & fruit mid-way on the walk throughout the afternoon. All help before, during & tidying up after the event was greatly appreciated. The Parents Association also made a small presentation to Des Joyce after he cut the ribbon on the play equipment. Well done to the Parents Association on organising a very successful event.

#### **BOOK RENTAL**

All book rental books will be collected before the summer holidays. Please ensure pupils return any textbooks and library books with a school stamp on them. All classes will only receive a stationary list as the book rental scheme (plus workbooks) will continue next year.

#### Glinsk P.O.

Sincere thanks to Margaret & Marty Farragher for the lovely commemorative pens they gave to each child in the school recently.

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## Maths Eyes

Congratulations to Iarlaith O'Toole on winning a prize in the national Maths Eyes competition in the U11 section. larlaith received his prize at a recent Maths Eyes ceremony at the Department of Education.

#### PIONEER COMPETITIONS

Congratulations to Nichola Mulligan on winning a prize in the Pioneer Regional Essay competition and Colin Griffin who won a prize in Pioneer Regional Art competition.

### Tom Lohan/ Noel Connelly Memorial Tournament

Well done to Lisheen/ Ardeevin schools who won the Noel Connelly shield, Creggs N.S. who won the Tom Lohan cup, Glenamaddy N.S who won the boys skills competition & Creggs N.S. who won the girls skills competition.

# Discover Primary Science & Maths

The school was awarded the Science Foundation Ireland Discover Science and Maths Award for the 2018 - 2019 school year. A STEM [Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths] log of evidence was submitted to SFI and having met the criteria the school will receive a plaque of STEM.

# JUNIOR INFANTS & 6<sup>TH</sup> CLASS

We welcome all pupils starting school in September to the school on Monday 10th of June. Good luck & best wishes to 6<sup>th</sup> class in secondary school and we hope you have happy memories from you time in Glinsk N.S. We wish you all every good health & happiness in the future.

We will hold a sports day on Tuesday 11th of June (weather permitting) for all pupils in all classes. Pupils should wear school tracksuit or shorts for comfort.

#### **SCHOOL TOUR**

The school tour for all classes will take place on *Friday 14<sup>th</sup> of June* to *Just for Fun Camp* at the Tennis Club, Sligo.

#### **END OF YEAR MASS**

Mass will be celebrated on *Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> of June at 10:30 a.m.* in the school hall.

#### School Uniforms

All pupils were measured for school uniforms last Tuesday by the Schoolwear centre, Tuam and they have completed the school order for the coming year. The Schoolwear Centre, Tuam can still take further uniform orders directly at the Schoolwear Centre, Tuam where they will have a record of pupil sizes.

# Lost Property

Please check in the school for lost uniform jumpers, mislaid coats, jackets, lunchboxes & drinks bottles before the end of the year.

#### **SUMMER HOLIDAYS**

Glinsk N.S. will close on Friday 21st of June at 12 o'clock for the summer holidays. We thank you all sincerely for your support, co-operation and help throughout the school year. We wish you all a happy, enjoyable and safe summer holidays. Go raibh míle maith agaibh.

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