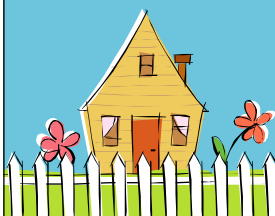


# GLINSK N.S. NEWSLETTER

October 2021



## Credit Union Art Competition 2021

All pupils will work on the Credit Union art competition over the coming weeks. The closing date is the **20<sup>th</sup> of October**. The theme this year is **Imagine**. Congratulations to Shaun Doherty whose entry in the 2020 Credit Union competition was the chapter winner and overall winner in Co. Galway in the U7 category. Shaun recently received his prize from St. Jarlath's Credit Union.

## Maths week 2021

Pupils will take part in Maths Week Ireland 2020 from the **16<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>** of October. Maths Week Ireland promotes, awareness, appreciation and understanding of Maths.

## Green Schools Award Day

A virtual presentation of Green Schools flags hosted by Galway County Council takes place on this **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> of October**. The school will be working on the theme of travel during this school year.

## Goal Jersey Day

National Goal Jersey Day takes place on this **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> of October**. Pupils are invited to wear a jersey of their choice and give a €2 donation to GOAL or wear their school uniform as usual.

## STEPS Young Engineer

Pupils in 3<sup>rd</sup> class will take place in the STEPS Young Engineer programme during this term. It is a programme for pupils that promotes interest & awareness of engineering as a future career. Pupils are tasked with designing an engineering project that would help their community.

## Design A Card

All pupils will work on Design-A-Card Christmas cards before the Hallowe'en break.

## School Inspector Visit

The school had an incidental visit from the school inspector last Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> of Sept to observe teaching & learning.

## School Absence

**Reminder:** If your child/ children are absent from school, please **complete an online absence form on the homepage of the school website [www.glinskns.ie](http://www.glinskns.ie)**  
The school must inform the NEWB (National Education Welfare Board) if a child is absent for more than 20 days in a school year. Where there is no absent note, absences are returned as "unexplained" which can be investigate by Tusla.



The Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal is back this year. 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 (optional) will be available in the school before the Halloween holidays. Team Hope suggests the following when filling a shoebox:

- Write - Pens or pencils, crayons, paper or copy books, colouring books, markers, sharpeners and erasers.
- Wash - Soap (wrapped), hairbrush, comb, toothbrush, toothpaste and facecloths.
- Wear - Socks, underwear, flip flops, hat, scarf and gloves.
- Wow - Cuddly toy, skipping rope, a yo-yo, sweets, a ball or stickers.

Shoeboxes can be brought into the school the week after the Hallowe'en break.

## SPAR National Tree Day

Pupils in the senior classroom will plant a native Irish wild cherry sapling received from the Tree Council of Ireland to mark National Tree Day which takes place on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> of October**.

## Discovery Primary Science & Maths

The school has been awarded a plaque of STEM [Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths] for 2020 – 2021 for activities across the 4 areas. A virtual award ceremony will take place on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> of Oct

## Climate Action

Climate Action week takes place from the 11<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> of Oct. Pupils in the senior room will be joining author Oisín McCann for a short talk about climate change via Zoom on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> of Oct**.

## Halloween

On **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> of October** pupils can dress up for Halloween & each class will play some traditional Halloween games. Enjoy the Halloween break.

