# GLINSK N.S. NEWSLETTER November 2022

#### Staff

We welcome Ms. Tara Chambers to the school staff. Ms. Chambers will be teaching in the S.E.T. position which is a permanent appointment following the Department of Education approval based on the increased school enrolment.

Congratulations to Ms. Lorraine Fallon S.N.A. who graduated from U.C.D. during the Halloween break following her studies during the 2021 – 2022 school year on the Inclusive School Support Programme for SNAs.

We welcome Ms. Katie Brennan who will be working with pupils in all classrooms during this school week.

# **Goal Jersey Day**

This year €188.20 was raised for GOAL. Thank you to all who contributed generously to this charity.

#### **Dates to Note:**

- Parent Teacher meetings will take place on next Monday 14<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> of November. School will finish at 2:45 p.m. for 1<sup>st</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> class on both days. Please check your child's homework diary for a letter with the date & time of your child/children's parent - teacher meeting.
- School will finish at 12 o'clock on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>
  of December for teacher in-service on the
  Primary Language Curriculum.
- Our Green Schools committee will hold a *Toy Swap* on *Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> of December*. All pupils are invited to bring a toy or a book to school for a *permanent* swap the week beginning Monday 28<sup>th</sup> of November. In return each pupil will have an opportunity to choose <u>one</u> toy and <u>one</u> book in return to keep.
- School is closed on Thursday 8th of December (Holy Day) as per the school calendar.
- The Christmas concert will take place on the Friday 16<sup>th</sup> of December (time confirmed nearer the date).

### Science Week 2022

Science week Ireland takes place from 13th – 20th of November with all classes taking part in a variety of different science activities during the week. These will include a Galway Science & Technology Fantastic DNA workshop for senior classes with the Cell Explorers Team from N.U.I.G. and an online Teagasc Zoom session about all things milk. During this Teagasc interactive session from Moorepark, Co. Cork, classes will have the opportunity to pose questions to the food scientists and watch some fun milk-based experiments.



# **Team Hope 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 14<sup>th</sup> Nov.* Thank you to everyone for all the shoeboxes generously donated so far.



### **Amber Flag**

Our Amber flag committee will work together to help promote positive mental health in our school. This year our committee includes Fionnán Keane Nolan, Marcus Joyce, Kate Devaney, Cillian Mc Dermott, Rosie O'Mahony, Glen O'Boyle and Shaun Doherty.

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# **Christmas Annuals**

Christmas annuals costing €2 can be ordered up to Friday 25<sup>th</sup> of November with the class teacher.





#### **Parents Association**

The Parents Association held their A.G.M on Monday 24th of October. Sincere thanks to the outgoing 2021 – 2022 committee for all the commitment and work in supporting school activities. We wish the newly elected committee members for 2022 – 2023 the best for the coming year as follows:

Chairperson: Elaine O'Neill Vice Chairperson: Shane Brennan Secretary: Sandra Turner Vice Secretary: Stacey Byrnes Treasurer: Lorraine Curley P.R.O.: Ann-Marie Feeney

Thank you to the Parents Association for organising a Halloween for each classroom and everyone who supported the raffle. Congratulations to all the prize winners in each classroom.

#### Peace Proms 2023

A workshop for the Peace Proms 2023 concert in January will take place on *Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> of November* at 12:30 p.m. at University of Limerick Sports Arena. The workshop will finish at 2 p.m. Pupils from 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> class taking part in Peace Proms 2023 should wear their uniform, bring a full lunch and do not need their school bags on this date. Pease bring €10 for the bus. We should return to the school at 5 p.m. approx. The concert conductor Mr. Greg Beardsell will conduct the rehearsal on Tuesday the 15th. Tickets for the concert on Saturday 21st January 2023 2p.m. can be purchased www.tickettailor.com/events/peaceproms Pupils singing in the choir do not need a ticket for the concert date.



#### **Design A Card**

All pupils received their sample Christmas card today with their unique reference number on the inside of the card. Should you wish to place an online order, a step-by-step guide is on the inside of your child's card. *Wednesday the 16th of November* is the final date for these optional online orders and any orders placed will be delivered to the school.



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