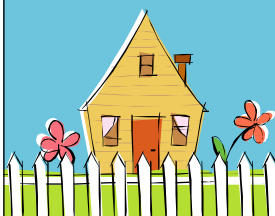


GLINSK N.S. NEWSLETTER

January 2023



New Year

Wishing you all a *Happy New Year* and every good wish for the coming year.

Staff

We welcome Ms. Julie Brennan back to the staff following leave. Ms. Brennan is teaching junior & senior infants and her school email address is juliebrennan@glinskns.ie

Thank you to Ms. Derbhla Phillips for all her great work in both the junior classroom and senior classroom since May 2021. Ms. Phillips will finish teaching on this Friday 13th of Jan and will be greatly missed by staff and pupils. We wish her every happiness on her new adventure abroad.

Ms. Rachel Smyth will begin teaching pupils in 5th & 6th class from Monday 16th of January and her school email address is rachelsmyth@glinskns.ie

Little Blue Heroes

Thank you to everyone who supported our Christmas jumper days in aid of the Little Blue Heroes Foundation. A total of €132 was raised for the charity and honorary Garda Shaun Doherty presented a cheque to Garda Sarah Staunton and Garda Gerry Davies before the Christmas break.

Dates to Note:

- Mid-term break – school will be closed on **16th & 17th of February 2023**
- Swimming lessons for 1st – 6th classes will commence on **Thursday 2nd of March 2023 at 11:50 a.m. at Roscommon Leisure Centre**
- Confirmation for 6th class will be celebrated on **Wednesday 10th of May** at 11 a.m. in St. Bride's Church.



Vex Robotics

Vex Robotics Competition is a worldwide engineering and programming challenge for children from primary school all the way up to university graduates. The team are required to design, construct and programme a robot to carry out specific challenges in a restricted amount of time.

Pupils in the senior room have been working on the G.M.I.T. (in conjunction with M.T.U. – Munster Technological University) Vex Robotics Challenge building the arena and robot over the past few weeks. Pupils will take part in the Vex Robotics competition on **Friday 13th of January** at A.T.U. Galway.

The bus will leave the school at **8 a.m. tomorrow Friday 13th** and pupils will be back before normal finishing time. Please bring €10 for the bus and pupils should wear their school uniform. Pupils in 5th & 6th class do not need to bring their school bags on Friday and will need a healthy lunch.

Peace Proms 2023

Pupils from 2nd to 6th class are taking part in the Peace Proms concert on **Saturday 21st of January** at University of Limerick. The concert begins at 2 p.m. in the University of Limerick Sports Arena. Parking is free in UL at weekends with seven car parks available. Please remember all pupils in the choir must wear a plain white t-shirt (long or short sleeved with no logos) and a black or navy tracksuit bottoms or leggings.



Credit Union Quiz Date

Glenamaddy Credit Union Quiz will take place on **Friday 20th of January at 7 p.m.** in Glenamaddy Community Centre for U11 & U 13 teams. There are 10 rounds of 6 questions with 2 additional rounds of 6 questions for the U13 competition. Glenamaddy Credit Union have issued the following rules for this year's competition:

- **No teachers, SNAs or parents are permitted to stay in the hall during the quiz**
- Pupils should be dropped off at the foyer of the Community Centre
- Pupils can be collected **at 9 p.m.** after the quiz is finished from the foyer of the Community Centre. Best of luck to all teams taking part.

Credit Union Art Competition

Congratulations to Donagh O'Mahony, Shaun Doherty, Rachel Connelly, Maggie Keane, Aoife Mannion, Ryan Connelly, Kate Devaney and Caitlin Feeney who were all winners in the recent Credit Union Competition based on the theme *It's a Wonderful World*.

Catholic Schools Week

Sunday 22nd of January marks the beginning of Catholic Schools Week 2023. The purpose of the week is to highlight and celebrate the contribution that Catholic Schools make to our local communities. This year's theme is *Walking Together in Faith & Love*. To celebrate the joy that grandparents bring to families, we will hold a prayer service on **Wednesday 25th of January at 10 a.m.** in the school hall. All are welcome.

St. Brigid's Day

We will make St. Brigid's crosses on **Wednesday 1st of February** so please remember to bring some rushes to school on this day.



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