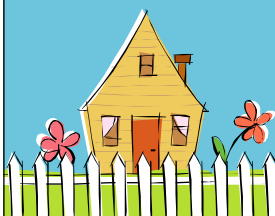


# GLINSK N.S. NEWSLETTER

March 2023



## KPMG Junior Juries

Pupils in 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> class are participating in the KPMG Junior Juries program. The KPMG Children's Books Ireland Awards Junior Juries' Programme encourages children and young people to engage with reading in an innovative way.

There are 10 books shortlisted on the KPMG Children's Book Awards 2023 and pupils will read discuss and assess the shortlisted books. At the end of the process the class will collectively vote for their favourite book and submit our response to the Junior Juries programme. The school will receive a set of the shortlisted books from Children's Books Ireland to use for the programme.



## Dates to Note:

- Hip-Hop dance sessions for all classes will continue on **Friday 10<sup>th</sup>, Friday 24<sup>th</sup> & Friday 31<sup>st</sup> of March.**
- School will finish at 12 o'clock on **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> of March** to facilitate staff inservice on the Primary Language Curriculum.
- First Holy Communion will be celebrated on **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> of May 2023** in St. Michael's Church, Glinsk at 11:00 a.m.
- Confirmation will be celebrated on **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> of May 2023** at 11 a.m. in St. Bride's Church, Ballintubber

## Amber Flag



The school Amber flag committee will hold a wellbeing day on **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> of March** for pupils & staff to raise awareness around and promote mental health well-being.

Pupils will participate in different activities throughout the day.

*Pupils do not need to bring their school bags to school or wear their uniform on this date and should bring a lunch.*



## STEPS Engineers Week

STEPS Engineers week takes place from the **4<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> of March 2023** and celebrates the world of engineering. The aim of the week is to promote engineering and the importance of the profession to children in Ireland. Pupils will take part in different engineering activities during the week.

On **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> of March**, Shauna Keane & Sandra Grogan from Boston Scientific will visit the school to present a STEM workshop including some hands-on activities for pupils in 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> class.

## Fís Film Awards

Congratulations to all the pupils in 2nd, 3rd & 4th class that attended the Fís Awards ceremony hosted by Sinéad Kennedy, RTÉ at the Helix Theatre, D.C.U. on the 22nd of February. The group were delighted to win the best junior film award for our film, The Nature Fairy and were also shortlisted in the best director and curriculum relevance categories. The Fís Film Project is a collaborative partnership between the Institute of Art, Design & Technology (IADT) and the Professional Development Service for Teachers (PDST). Ciara O'Donnell, National Director of the PDST and Rónán Ó Muirthile, Head of Dept. of Film & Media IADT presented the awards to winners at the ceremony.



*Rónán Ó Muirthile, IADT & Ciara O'Donnell, National Director of the PDST present the award to Glinsk N.S.*

## Fís Storyboard 2023 Competition

Fís launched the annual storyboard competition on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February and pupils from 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> class are encouraged to take part in this creative project. Pupils come up with a storyboard idea on any area of the curriculum or a story idea. The closing date for entries is the 31<sup>st</sup> of March.

## Daffodil Day

National Daffodil Day takes place on **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> of March**. Daffodil pins and badges costing €3 each will be on sale for the Irish Cancer Society in the school.

## Seachtain na Gaeilge - Celebrating our Irish Culture & Heritage

Seachtain na Gaeilge events take place nationally from the 1<sup>st</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> March. We will have different activities during the week “as Gaeilge” beginning the 13<sup>th</sup> of March for all classes to take part in.

**Happy Easter** - School closes on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> of March for the Easter break and reopens on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> of April.



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