GLINSK N.S. NEWSLETTER

November 2026

Thank you

Sincere thanks to all who called by the school during the strike day on Wednesday 14th of October with food & refreshments to support the school staff. It was greatly appreciated and very thoughtful.

Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Thank you to all who generously donated shoeboxes to the Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal.

Dates to Note:

- School will be closed on ***Tuesday 8th of December*** (Holy Day) as per the school calendar
- Our Green Schools committee will hold a ***Toy Swap*** on ***Friday 4th of December***. All pupils are invited to bring a toy or a book to school for a *permanent* swap the week beginning Monday 30th of November. In return each pupil will have an opportunity to choose **one** toy and **one** book in return to keep.
- The Christmas concert will take place on ***Thursday 17th & Friday 18th of December*** (times confirmed nearer the date).
- The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on ***Thursday 11th of March 2027*** at 4 p.m. in St. Bride's Church, Ballintubber.
- The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be celebrated on ***Saturday 15th of May 2027*** at 10:00 a.m. in St. Michael's Church, Glinsk.

The Dig



We welcome the Roscommon Arts Centre theatre play ***The Dig*** to the school on ***Thursday 19th of November*** for all classes.

THE DIG is a new theatre play for young audiences written and performed by Paul Curley, designed by Ger Clancy and directed by Robert Alan Evans. The piece is set on an Archaeological Dig site. The story follows Mac, an archaeologist who has a tendency to make up stories. It's day 294 of The Dig and Mac still hasn't found anything 'significant'.

All his life Mac has wanted to be an Archaeologist, to be an expert in finding things and working out what they mean. If only he could stick to the facts and not get carried away with his highfalutin stories. But in a world where facts and figures mean so much more than fairy tale and fantasy, Mac has to dig deeper to prove what he finds is what he thinks it is. Will people believe him, or is this just another of his tall tales?

Science Week 2026

Science week Ireland takes place from 8th – 15th of November with all classes taking part in a variety of different science activities during the week.

County Photos

County photos will visit the school on ***Wednesday 18th of November*** to take family and individual photos. Class photos for junior infants and 6th class will also be taken on the day. All families will receive a proof of the photos taken and the purchase of photos is optional.



Amber Flag Committee

The Amber Flag Committee for 2026-2027 are Leah Collins, Jack Morgan, Jake Kelly Jake Martin, Shay Rattigan and Glen O Boyle. They will work together to continue to promote positive wellbeing in the school, in the hopes of receiving our fifth Amber Flag.

Glinsk G.A.A.



We were delighted to welcome Glinsk G.A.A. team & management, Junior A county champions to the school before the Halloween break with the Junior A North Board final cup and the Junior A final Paddy Sweeney cup. Congratulations to Glinsk GAA on their county title.

Parents Association Halloween Raffle

Thank you to everyone who supported the Parents Association Halloween Raffle which raised €165.50. Congratulations to the prize winners in each classroom Amber Woods, Grace Shaughnessy, Richie Mullaney & Matthew Devaney.

Glinsk NS Parents Association

The Parents Association would like to encourage parents to follow the new **Glinsk NS Parents Association** Facebook page.

Christmas Annuals

Christmas annuals costing €2.50 can be ordered up to ***Friday 27th of November*** with the class teacher.





Design A Card

All pupils will shortly receive their sample Christmas card 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. Any online orders placed with Design A Card will be delivered to the school.

E-mail addresses

You can contact the school on (094) 9655257 or e-mail glinskschool@gmail.com Staff can also be contacted at the following e-mail addresses:

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School Absence

Reminder: If your child/ children are absent from school, it is parental responsibility under the Education (Welfare) Act 2000 to inform the school in writing. Please ***complete an online absence form on the homepage of the school website at*** 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." All absences both explained and unexplained must be reported annually.