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# Gaelscoil Naomh Pádraig

Leamhcán, Co. Bhaile Átha Cliath

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A thuismitheor/chaomhnóir,

06/09/21

Ba mhaith liom míle fáilte a chur romhaibh ar ais ar scoil. Tá súil agam go bhfuil gach éinne ag socrú isteach i saol na scoile arís tar éis an tsamhraidh. Seo a leanas na huasdátaithe ar an bhfoireann teagaisc:

Comhghairdeachas le Múinteoirí *Aisling, Odhrán, Stiofán, Dayna & Éamonn* a bheidh ag feidhmiú ar bhonn sealadach i mbliana.

Cuirimid fáilte roimh Múinteoir *Cian MacAodhagáin* a bheidh ag clúdú saoire mháithreachais Gráinne dúinn.

Cuirimid fáilte roimh Múinteoir *Kate* ó Ghaelscoil Nás na Ríogh, a bheidh ag feidhmiú ar bhonn post roinnte arís i mbliana le Múinteoir *Eimear*.

Táimid ag fágáil slán le Múinteoir *Brid Ní Dhonnchú*. Ba mhaith linn go léir ár mbuíochas a ghabháil léi as an bpost iontach a rinne sí chomh maith leis na dualgaisí breise ar fad a ghlac sí leo go deonach le linn a seal ama anseo. Guímid gach rath uirthi!

Cuirimid fáilte ar ais roimh an CRS *Niamh Coilféir* a bheidh linn ar feadh bliana eile agus fáiltimid *Sylvia Jones (CRS)* a bheidh linn ar feadh na bliana.

## Ceachtanna Rothaíochta:

**Beidh ceachtanna rothaíochta agus sábháilteachta** ag tosú ar laethanta Mháirt ón **7-9-21** do dhaltaí R5, R6. D'éirigh le Redempta deontas a aimsiú ó 'An Taisce' a rachaidh I dtreo an chostas. Tá Comhairle Contae Átha Cliath Theas toilteanach cuid den gcostas a chlúdú chomh maith. Tá Cumann na dTuistí chun an fuilleach den gcostas a chlúdú ar son daltaí na scoile. Ní bhíonn aon airgead le n-íoc de bharr seo! Tá fáilte roimh do pháiste a rothar féin agus a clogad féin a thabhairt ar scoil don traenáil.

## Ranganna Ióga:

D'éirigh go hiontach leis na ranganna Ióga anuraidh. Mar sin, táimid ag bualadh ar aghaidh le ranganna Ióga do gach rang arís i mbliana. Cuirimid fáilte ollmhór roimh *Mary Reynolds* atá ag filleadh chun freastal ar seo gach Máirt. Beidh gach rang ó N1 - R4 ag freastal ar 8 sheisiún. Beidh R5 & R6 ag fáil 12 sheisiún de bharr nach mbeidh siad ag freastal ar ranganna veidhlíní san athbhliain.

## Ranganna Veidhlíní/Dorveidheal:

Ní bheidh **ranganna veidhlíní/dorveidheal** ag tosú i rith an chéad téarma. Déanfar athbhreithniú ar seo arís roimh an athbhliain.

Beidh gach dalta ó N2 - R4 ag freastal ar ranganna veidhlíní nuair a fhillfidimid chuige. Rinneadh athbhreithniú ag deireadh na bliana anuraidh agus shocraíomar gan leanúint ar aghaidh le ranganna veidhlíní do ranganna 5 & 6 go seachtainiúil. É sin ráite, beidh deis ag gach éinne sna ranganna seo leanúint ar aghaidh ag forbairt tríd freastal ar sheisiún seachtainiúil leis an gceolfhoireann.

### **Cumann na mBunscoil (CLG):**

Mar is eol daoibh, ní bheidh aon comórtas Cumann na mBunscoil ar siúl an téarma seo. É sin ráite, tá fonn orainn freastal ar na páistí agus traenáil a chur ar fáil dóibh. Beidh orainn uimhreacha a thógáil san áireamh ag leanúint na rialacha a bhaineann le Covid. Tabharfar tús áite do na ranganna is sine I dtosach báire mar go bhfuil níos lú ama fágtha acu linn ar scoil. Beidh tuilleadh eolas ag teacht ar seo.

### **Lúthchleasaíocht**

Cosúil leis an traenáil CLG, teastaíonn uainn traenáil lúthchleasaíochta a thosnú arís go luath. Beidh orainn teacht suas le plean a bhraitheann ar uimhreacha agus laethanta a bheidh an páirc ilaimseartha ar fáil.

### **Ceachtanna Snámha:**

Beidh daltaí na scoile ó R2 - R6 ag filleadh chuig ceachtanna snámha i mbliana. Beidh rang amháin ag freastal ar na ranganna don chéad dhá thréimhse de bharr na srianta atá i bhfeidhm i láthair na huaire. 'Sé an plean ná go bhfreastalóidh dhá rang ar na ceachtanna tar éis seo má tá cead againn. Tá cóip den bplean sealadach ag teacht leis an e-phost seo.

### **Seisiúin Leabharlainne:**

Beidh muid in ann deis a thabhairt do pháistí na scoile filleadh chuig seisiúin leabharlainne go luath. Is seisiún amháin in aghaidh na coicise a bheidh i gceist ag an bpointe seo. Beidh cead uasmhéid de 2 leabhar a thógáil ar iasacht ag aon am amháin.

### **Sábháilteacht Idirlíon:**

Beidh an comhlacht 'ZEEKO' ag teacht ar chuairt chun freastal ar na daltaí i ranganna 4, 5 & 6 maidir le sábháilteacht idirlíon agus na baoil a bhaineann leis na meáin sóisialta. Beidh na ceardlann ar siúl @ Dé Luain 11/10/21 agus Dé Máirt 12/10/21. Beidh ceardlann eolas ar siúl do thuismitheoirí na ranganna seo oíche Dé Máirt @ 19:00 ar líne ar zúm.

### **Pointí Ginearálta:**

Ba mhaith liom cúpla pointe a chur i gcuimhne duit maidir le rithim na scoile:

### **Clárú do Mheán Fómhair 2022:**

Beidh tú in ann an Polasaí Iontrála a léamh ar suíomh idirlíon na scoile @ [www.gsnp.ie](http://www.gsnp.ie). Beidh an fógra bliantúil le feiceáil go luath chomh maith. Is i rith Mí na Samhna amháin a nglacfar le hiarratais.

## Gaeilge:

Le cur i gcuimhne duit, is suíomh lán-Ghaelach í Gaelscoil Naomh Pádraig, ar nós Gaeltacht. Nuair atá tú ar an suíomh nó díreach taobh amuigh de geataí na scoile, iarraid ort gach iarracht a dhéanamh aon Gaeilge atá agat a úsáid. Is cuma mura bhfuil ach cúpla focal agat, ach a bheith toilteanach an teanga a úsáid agus iarracht cur leis an stór focal atá agat! Tá sé an-tábhachtach an teachtaireacht cheart a thabhairt do na páistí!

## Covid-19 - teagmháil:

Más gá teagmháil a dhéanamh le GSNP taobh amuigh d'uaireanta oscailte na scoile maidir le cúrsaí Covid, bain úsáid as an seoladh ephost thíos

**Covid.gsnp@gmail.com**

## Pairceáil:

Bí aireach faoin áit ina ndéanann tú do charr a phairceáil. Ní féidir pairceáil i suíomh pairceála na mbusanna nó in aice leis na cóin. Ní féidir tiomáint trí gheataí na scoile ag am ar bith. Tabhair faoi deara go bhfuil línte buí ar Bhóthar an Chaisleáin. Impimid ort gan do charr a phairceáil os comhair tithí na gcomharsan le do thoil. Tabhair faoi deara go bhfuil Bóthar an Chaisleáin oscailte ag amanta áirithe. Tá sé rí-thábhachtach go mbíonn tuismitheoirí agus páistí fíor chúramach ag trasnú an bhóthar anseo. Bíonn an bealach tuirlingthe ar oscailt ar maidin agus um thrathnóna. Tá fáilte romhat pairceáil ar na suíomhanna pairceála ach níl cead ag carranna pairceáil ar an mbóthar féin. Cothaíonn sé an t-uafás fadhbanna sábháilteachta agus tráchtá. Chomh maith le seo, níl cead do charr a iompú thart ag bun Bóthar an Chaisleáin díreach roimh geataí glasa an bhealach tuirlingthe. Tá sé an-dáinséireach a leithead a dhéanamh.

## Páistí ag teacht ar scoil agus am dul abhaile:

Beimid ag leanúint an clár-ama céanna a bhí ag na rang-ghrúpaí ó thaobh am oscailte agus am dul abhaile díreach mar a bhí anuraidh

Beidh daltaí ag teacht isteach agus ag siúl amach tríd na geataí céanna díreach mar a bhí anuraidh

Nuair is gá: siúlfaidh cuairteoir nó tuismitheoir isteach tríd an gheata siúlóide ag príomh gheata na scoile más gá dalta a bhailiú i rith uaireanta a chloig scoile. Siúlfaidh an cuairteoir/tuismitheoir go dtí oifig na scoile mar is gnáth. Tá sé riachtanach masc a chaitheamh, na lámha a dhíghalrú agus an scaradh sóisialta a chóimeád nuair is gá ag na hamanta seo.

Caithfear **príomhghheata na scoile do chuirteoirí** i rith an lae a **choinneáil dúnta** an t-am ar fad. Ciallaíonn sé seo gur chóir an geata beag a dhúnadh i do dhiaidh i gcónaí agus tú ag teacht nó ag imeacht ón scoil i rith am scoile.

Ní féidir leis na páistí teacht isteach sa chlós ar maidin **roimh 8.45r.n.** Ba chóir go mbeadh gach duine imithe ó suíomh na scoile @ 15:00.

Má thagann do pháiste ar rothar/scútar nó rothaí scátála caithfidh siad tuirlingt roimh theacht isteach trí gheataí na scoile. Moltar do pháistí a thagann ar rothar nó scútar, clogad a chaitheamh. Moltar chomh maith go gcuirtear glas ar na rothair nó na scútair.

## Asláithreachtaí & Poncúlacht:

Tá sé rí-thábhachtach chuile iarracht a dhéanamh a dheimhniú go bhfágfar do pháiste isteach ar scoil **in am** (roimh 09:00). Mura mbíonn fáth eisceachtúil leis, níl sé sásúil do pháiste a fhágáil isteach déanach **go rialta**.

**Asláithreachtaí:** Ba chóir teagmháil a dhéanamh leis an múinteoir ranga tríd Aladdin maidir le haon asláithreacht a bhaineann le do pháiste. Ba chóir an fáth leis an asláithreacht a shonrú.

**Níor chóir na páistí a bhaint ón scoil go luath ach amháin i gcásanna práinneacha.** Ba chóir cumarsáid a dhéanamh ar Aladdin d'aon asláithreachtaí nó coinnithe. Bí cinnte go síníonn tú do pháiste amach ag an oifig ma tá tú ag teacht chun é/í a bhailiú.

## Cumarsáid le múinteoirí:

Déanfaidh an tuismitheoir nó an múinteoir cumarsáid lena chéile ar na bealaí seo a leanas ag braith ar an gcúis:

**Glaoch guthán:** Má tá cás práinneach i gceist, is féidir le tuismitheoir glaoch a chur ar oifig na scoile agus teachtaireacht a fhágáil le Pauline. Cuirfidh an múinteoir glaoch ar ais ort nuair atá sé/sí réidh.

**Aladdin:** Déanfaidh an scoil cumarsáid ginearálta le pobal na scoile tríd Aladdin (i bhfoirm e-phost, téacs nó an clár fógra). Is féidir le tuismitheoirí cúiseanna asláithreachtaí agus eolas faoi choinnithe & srl.. a chur suas ar Aladdin

**SeeSaw:** Cumarsáid ginearálta chun eolas a roinnt idir tuismitheoirí agus múinteoirí

## Oifig an rúnaí:

Beidh oifig an rúnaí **dúnta ó 1:05 - 1:35i.n** gach lá ó Luain go hAoine. Iarraim ort fanacht go dtí 1:35i.n. ach amháin más cás fíor-phráinneach atá i gceist. Bíonn ar an rúnaí a lón a ghlacadh ag an am seo.

## Polasaithe:

Tá **polasaí lón sláintiúil, Cód iompair** agus **Polasaí Frithbhulaíochta** againn sa scoil a leantar i gcónaí. Tá siad ar fáil ar [http://gsnp.ie/Polasaithe\\_Scoile.html](http://gsnp.ie/Polasaithe_Scoile.html). Beidh athbhreithniú á dhéanamh ar an gcód iompair agus an polasaí frithbhulaíochta i mbliana

## Guthán Póca:

Níl cead ag daltaí na scoile guthán póca a bheith acu ar scoil. Má tá cás eisceachtúil ann, agus má tá tuismitheoir den tuairim go bhfuil sé riachtanach go mbeadh guthán póca ag an bpáiste le n-úsáid tar éis am scoile, caithfear litir a scríobh chuig an phríomhoide ag míniú an fáth. Más rud é go bhfuil guthán póca ag páiste sa scoil i rith an lae, níl cead é a chur ar siúl ag aon am. Caithfear an guthán a fhágáil múchta sa mhála scoile. Tá an polasaí um úsáid guthán póca ar fáil ar suíomh na scoile ar [www.gsnp.ie](http://www.gsnp.ie).

Má bhíonn do pháiste as láthair caithfear teachtaireacht a fhágáil ar SeeSaw don mhúinteoir ranga ag míniú an fáth leis an asláithreacht. Ní leor glaoch a chur ar an oifig.

### **Trialacha Caighdeánaithe:**

Beidh na **trialacha caighdeánaithe** ar siúl i rith **Mí Dheireadh Fómhair** i mbliana do pháistí R1 (Gaeilge amháin) R3 & R5 ón tseachtain dár tús **04-10-21 go dtí an tseachtain dár gerích 22-10-21**. Roinnfear torthaí scrúdaithe do pháiste le tuismitheoirí/chaomhnóirí ó bhéal. Beidh sé riachtanach do dhaltaí R2, R4 & R6 na trialacha a dhéanamh i Mí Bhealtaine 2022. Is don Roinn Oideachais amháin a chuirtear an t-eolas seo ar aghaidh.

### **Curacdam Teanga do Bhunscoileanna (Ciorclán 0045/2019):**

Beidh leath lae inseirbhíse le déanamh ag foireann na scoile sa chéad téarma ar **Dé Luain 8 Samhain 2021**. **Beidh páistí na scoile ag dul abhaile @ 12:00 ar an lá seo.**

### **Clár ‘Bí Sábháilte:**

Beidh an Clár ‘Bí Sábháilte á chlúdú againn san athbhliain i Mí Eanáir agus Mí Feabhra 2022.

### **Airgead Leabhair/costais scoile:**

De ghnáth, íocann tuismitheoirí airgead leabhair/costais scoile ar líne (ar an gcóras íocaíocht ar líne). Tá na fadhbanna teicneolaíochta a bhí againn leis an gcóras íocaíocht ar líne réitithe anois. Mar sin, is féidir le tuismitheoirí an córas íocaíocht ar líne a úsáid atá ar fáil ar Aladdin anois nó airgead tirim a chur i gclúdach litreach agus é a fhágáil isteach chuig an múinteoir ranga. Tá sé tábhachtach an líon/méid airgid atá sa chlúdach litreach a scríobh/léiriú ar an gclúdach. Gheobhaidh tú admháil tríd an gcóras Aladdin. **Ní ghlacfar le h-airgead leabhair in oifig an rúnaí (Pauline)**. Is féidir líon beag airgid a íoc go rialta (seachtainiúil/in aghaidh na coicíse) má tá tú faoi bhrú airgid. Iarraim ort iarracht é seo a dhéanamh in ionad é a fhágáil ar fad.

- Tá cóip den **bhféilire scoile (laethanta saoire san áireamh)** na bliana seo ar fáil ar suíomh greasáin na scoile @ [www.gsnp.ie](http://www.gsnp.ie) chomh maith
- Tá cóip den sceideal do na ceachtanna snámha ag teacht leis an ephost seo chomh maith

Le gach dea-ghuí don scoilbhliain nua,

Liam Breathnach (P.O)

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Dear parent/guardian,

06/09/21

On behalf of the whole staff, I would like to welcome you and your children back to school! We hope the children are settling in to school here in GSNP!

## Staff update:

Congratulations to Múinteoirí *Aisling, Odhrán, Stiofán, Dayna & Éamonn* who have successfully been appointed to fixed term positions for the coming school year.

We welcome Múinteoir *Cian MacAodhagáin* who will be covering a maternity leave position this year.

We welcome back Múinteoir *Kate* from Gaelscoil Nás na Ríogh, who is job sharing with Múinteoir *Eimear* in an inter job share arrangement for the coming year.

We bid farewell to Múinteoir *Bríd* who is no longer with the teaching team of GSNP. We sincerely want to thank Bríd for her wonderful work carried out as an excellent team member and class teacher. We would like to offer our thanks for the extra responsibilities assumed both willingly and voluntarily.

We also welcome back *Niamh Colfer* who will fill one of our SNA positions for the coming year. And a special welcome to *Sylvia Jones* who will fill another SNA position this year

## Safe Cycling Classes

Classes will begin on Tuesday **7-9-21** for the pupils of **R5, R6**. Further details have been sent to parents this week. A big thank you to Redempta who has secured a grant from 'An Taisce and the South Dublin County Council. The Parents Association fund the remainder from fundraising last year. The lessons are free of charge for 5th and 6th students as a result. Your child is welcome to bring their own bicycle and helmet into school for use during the cycling classes.

## Yoga Classes:

All classes will be facilitated to attend 8 Yoga sessions with Mary Reynolds who will be our Yoga Instructor! The 5th and 6th classes will attend 11/12 sessions as the violin classes plan for 5th and 6th has been amended and no longer include 5th and 6th for the class sessions (see below for further details)

## Violin/Cello Classes:

We hope to resume violin and cello classes in the new year once permitted. Classes will be provided for students from senior infants to 4th class this year. Any 5th or 6th class student who wishes to continue playing music will be facilitated through the ceolfhoireann scoile (school orchestra) who will practice at lunch time once a week.

### **Cumann na mBunscoil (GAA):**

At this point, there will be no Cumann na mBunscoil competition this side of Christmas anyway. However, we do intend in trying to arrange training for the **Girls and Boys Football** Training. We will have to see what is possible logistically before we name classes. We will prioritise the older classes as their time in the school is more limited. Further details to follow.

### **Athletics:**

We also hope to resume with Athletics training in the near future. The schedule will depend on how we can manage this logistically factoring in demand in numbers, Covid restrictions, and availability of all-weather pitch

### **Swimming Lessons:**

We have a revised swimming schedule for the coming year. Due to Covid measures in Clondalkin Leisure Centre, our initial plan is to facilitate an individual class to attend swimming lessons from Wednesday **08/09/21** for 6 weeks during school hours. The same will apply for the next class group. We have 2 classes per week scheduled in thereafter. We have swimming classes for 2nd - 6th only this year. Please see the additional attachment of swimming dates for all of the other classes.

### **Library sessions in school:**

We will be re-opening the library in late September. Each class will attend the school library on a fortnightly basis. There will be a reduced limit on the amount of books the students can take out on loan

### **Internet Safety:**

ZEEKO will be providing Internet Safety workshops for 4th, 5th and 6th classes during the 1st term. The workshops will take place over 2 days on Monday the 11th and Tuesday the 12th of October. There will also be a Parents' Talk on zoom on Tuesday evening (12/10/21) from 19:00 - 20:00.

### **General Information - Please take note of the following points:**

#### **Enrolment for 2022:**

If you have a child due to start in September 2022, the enrolment policy will be available on the school website during the month of October 2021. Keep an eye out for the Annual Notice which will be on the school website soon. The timeframe for submission of applications will take place during the month of November. [www.gsnp.ie](http://www.gsnp.ie)

#### **Gaeilge:**

It is so important to understand that while in the school grounds of GSNP we are all effectively operating in a Gaeltacht. This means that the 'Gaeilge' is the spoken language in the school at all times. It is imperative to send the appropriate positive message out to the children and lead by example. That said, the main objective has to be that a parent/guardian can communicate clearly with the school. The main point is, no matter how little Irish you have, I would be very grateful if you try to use it!



### Communicating Covid related concerns:

Should you have a reason to contact the school outside of school hours with a Covid related concern, please use the following email address:

**Covid.gsnp@gmail.com**

### Safety re: parking and pedestrians:

To ensure the safety of all our children please take care when parking your car. No cars may be parked in the bus section or beyond the cones. We appeal to all to comply with the road markings. Please do not drive through the school gates at any time. Please note that part of Castle Road is now a double yellow line area. Please do not block our neighbours' driveways. At the bottom of Castle Road, the road continues towards the Esker Educate Together 'set-down' area. You are welcome to park in the marked parking spaces. There is a limited number of spaces. No cars should be parked on the road near the green gates where the road narrows. This causes a traffic obstruction and blocks cars from driving up or down on the roadway part of the set-down area. I advise that parents and children be very careful crossing the road as the traffic is not compelled to stop on the roadway. Finally, I urge you to refrain from making a u-turn at the bend directly before the set-down entrance. A manoeuvre of this nature is extremely dangerous.

### Attendance & Punctuality:

It is very important to make every effort to ensure you child presents for school on time (before 09:00). Unavoidable/exceptional circumstances apart; it is crucial to develop a good habit and routine.

If your child is absent you should notify the class teacher via Aladdin explaining reason for absence.

**Children should not be collected before the usual finishing times except for urgent reasons.** A note must be sent to the class teacher in advance and the child must be collected by their parent/guardian. Children leaving the school early must be signed out at reception by their parent.

### Children entering/leaving the school premises in the morning and going home time:

We will continue with the same plan used throughout the last school year. The objective is to minimise contact between class groups. The children will be permitted to enter through the designated gates relevant to the class year from 08:45 onwards. Classes will enter through one of three pedestrian gates. Details highlighting to you the route your child should take coming in to the school have been sent to you via email and are also available to view on our school instagram page.

**NB:** There will be members of staff on hand to guide and encourage your child to the correct destination (classroom) if/when the need arises.

There will be staggered times at 'going home' time, 1:40 (N2), 2:30 (R1 & R2), 2:35 (R5) & 2:40pm (R3, R4 & R6). The junior infants will be going home at the earlier time of 12:00 on 26th & 27th of August and for the subsequent fortnight

**NB:** Siblings may enter the school through the same entry point from 08:45 onwards

If your child comes on a bike or scooter to school, please make sure he/she dismounts before coming through the gates. Roller skates must be removed before entering the school gates also. **(No**



**skateboards are allowed).** Children travelling to school by these means to school should be encouraged to wear helmets and protective gear where necessary. We also encourage that you lock your bicycle/scooter while on the school premises.

### Pedestrian School Gate:

In the interests of safety, the pedestrian school gate is to be kept closed at all times during school hours. I appeal to all to close the gate after you, whether you are visiting or leaving the premises.

### General Information:

#### Communication with Teachers:

#### Please adhere to the following protocols if/when communicating with your child's teacher:

**Telephone Call:** Please call the school office if you deem the matter to be urgent. Leave a message with the school secretary who will pass on to the class teacher/ SET teacher. The teacher will return your call when available.

**Aladdin:** All absenteeism and appointments can be communicated to the school/class teacher through Aladdin. The school will use Aladdin for general communication to the school community (via text, noticeboard our email)

**SeeSaw:** General communication between class teacher and parent will continue through SeeSaw.

#### Secretary's office (School Office) closing time:

The school office will be closed from **1:05 - 1:35pm Monday-Friday**. The office will re-open @ 1:35pm. There will be no personnel available to answer the office during the lunch time period. Please refrain from calling the office at this time except in cases that are a matter of urgency.

#### Policies:

We have a Healthy Eating Policy, Code of Behaviour and Anti-Bullying Policy in the school that are available for review on [http://gsnp.ie/Polasaithe\\_Scoile.html](http://gsnp.ie/Polasaithe_Scoile.html). The Code of Behaviour will be reviewed this year.

#### Mobile Phones in GSNP:

The students/children are not allowed to use a mobile phone during the school day in GSNP or while on the school premises. Children are not allowed to have a phone on their person while on the school premises. If a parent deems it absolutely necessary that their child has a phone on their person, the parent is required to write a letter to the principal explaining why. In an exceptional circumstance where a child does have a phone in school, the phone must be turned off at all times and remain in the child's schoolbag. There is further information available on the school website @ [www.gsnp.ie](http://www.gsnp.ie)

#### Standardised Testing:

Please note that the **standardised testing for Irish, English and Maths (R3 & R5 only)** will take place from the week commencing **04-10-21 to the week ending on 22-10-21**. **Standardised tests for Irish only will be administered to R1** during this period. The standardised test results will be communicated in person at the parent/teacher meetings. It is compulsory for 2nd, 4th and 6th

classes to undertake standardised tests again during the month of May 2022. These test results are passed on as mandatory information to the Department of Education and Skills.

### Primary Language Curriculum:

There will a half-day closure in the month of October on **Monday the 11/10/21** where the children will be going home @ **12:00**. The staff will be engaging with the contents of webinar 3 of the Primary Language Curriculum.

### Revised Stay Safe Programme:

The revised stay safe programme will be implemented and taught during the months of January and February 2022.

### Book Rental Scheme costs:

All book money must be paid either online (online payment facility on Aladdin) or to the class teacher in a sealed envelope that is clearly marked as soon as possible. **No book money will be accepted at the secretary's (Pauline) office.** If you are under financial pressure, reduced payments of €20 can be paid off regularly online (on a weekly/fortnightly basis). It would be better to try this rather than deferring altogether.

- Please find attached the swimming timetable for the year
- The school calendar for the 2021/22 school year is available to view @ [www.gsnp.ie](http://www.gsnp.ie)

Wishing you all a positive year in GSNP!

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