

04/10/2022

A thuismitheoir/ a chaomhnóir,

I hope you are all keeping well. It has been great to welcome your children back to Gaelscoil na mBeann and I have been delighted to see them all settle into school routines seamlessly in our first month back.

With the widely reported cost of living crisis and price increases across the board in society, as a school we have been considering ways in which we can help our school community. In light of this, all afterschool clubs directly affiliated with the school will be provided free of charge to all pupils starting from Monday 10th October 2022 until the Christmas break. We hope that this move will go some way to help alleviate finiancial pressures on families during what is always a difficult time of year and will no doubt prove to be even more difficult this year. Please ensure that any outstanding bills up until Friday, 7th October are paid off in full as soon as possible.

Please note that Conradh na Gaeilge's Club Óige na mBeann (Tuesday & Thursday 3:30-4:30pm) will continue to be a paid for club. Fees will remain at £2 per child for this hour long club.

Siopa Malartaithe/ Swap Shop

Another initiative which we hope will both reduce waste and help our school community is the establishment of our Siopa Malartaithe/ Swap Shop for pre-owned school uniforms.

We all know how fast children can outgrow their clothes so in a bid to reduce spending for you the parents, and to reduce waste, we are asking that you donate your pre-owned uniform items that your children have outgrown to our school Swap Shop.

This will be open to all during school hours and will allow you to drop off for example, a size 3-4 years school jumper and take home the next size up free of charge. It will obviously take some time to build up enough stock to allow this to function properly so I am asking that you send any pre-owned uniform items you may have at home into school with your child



before next Friday, 14th October 2022. Once sufficient stock is available, we will let you all know that our Siopa Malartaithe is officially open.

Please ensure that all donated items have been washed and are in sufficient condition prior to sending them into school.

Please share this message with former parents of the school who you may be in contact with. The more contributors we have to our Siopa Malartaithe, the better.

Go raibh míle maith agaibh.

Le meas,

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Mícheál Ó Brádaigh Príomhoide