

Nuacht Neachtain

Meán Fómhair, 2021.

FÁILTE!

Beatha agus sláinte! Fáilte romhat ar ais go Nuacht Neachtain – nuachtlitir mhíosúil de chuid Gaelscoil Neachtain. Chun tuismitheoirí nua a chur ar an eolas, meán teagmhála breise é Nuacht Neachtain idir an Gaelscoil agus tú féin mar thuismitheoir. Cuirimid fearadh na fáilte ar ais roimh achan duine go Gaelscoil Neachtain don scoilbhliain nua 2021 - 2022. Cuirimid fáilte ó chroí roimh na páistí go léir go Naíscóil Neachtain agus ba mhaith linn fáilte ó chroí a chur roimh pháistí Rang 1. Tá súil againn go mbainfidh gach páiste sult is sonas is fiúntas leanúnach as táithí Gaelscoil Neachtain a sheasfaidh leO ar feadh a shaoil. Tá súil againn fosta go mbainfidh gach tuismitheoir tairbhe as bheith linn ag Gaelscoil Neachtain. Gabhaim buíochas leat roimh ré as a bheith tuisceanach agus as bheith ag obair linn maidir leis straitéisí sábháilte atá in áit againn in éadan Coróinvíreas-19. Bímid ag leanstan agus ag glacadh le treoir ón Roinn Sláinte Phoiblí i rith an ama. Má tá ceist ar bith agat i dtaca leis seo, téitear i dteagmháil leis an Gaelscoil, le do thoil. Go raibh maith agat.

BALL NUA FOIRNE

Cuirimid fáilte roimh Ghearóid Breathnach go Gaelscoil Neachtain. Tá Múinteoir Gearóid ag teagasc páistí Rang 5 i mbliana. Tá sé ina Chomhordaitheoir Spórt don scoilbhliain seo agus beidh sé ag stiúradh an cheoil sa Gaelscoil fosta. Guímid gach rath air.

MÚINTEOIR LAUREN

Ar an drochuair, tá Múinteoir Lauren ar shaoire tinnis go fóill. Le cuidiú Dé, beidh sí ar ais ag teagasc faoi thus mhí Dheireadh Fómhair. Idir an dá linn, tá na páistí ag socrú isteach go maith le Múinteoir Orlaith.

COSAINT AN PHÁISTE, 2021 – 2022.

Is í Fionnuala Ní Dhufaigh Múinteoir Ainmnithe do Chosaint an Pháiste. Is í Róisín Mhíic Thaidhg Leasmhúinteoir Ainmnithe do Chosaint an Pháiste. Má tá tú buartha faoi aon rud, gabh i dteagmháil le ceachtar acu láithreach bonn.

CÓTAI!!

BÍ CINNTE, LE DO THOIL, GO gCUIRTEAR CÓTA AR SCOIL LE DO PHÁISTE GACH LÁ. GO RAIBH MAITH AGAT. CUIRTEAR AINM AR AN CHÓTA, LE DO THOIL!



WELCOME!

Beatha agus Sláinte!
Welcome back to Nuacht Neachtain – Gaelscoil Neachtain's monthly newsletter. By way of introduction to new parents, Nuacht Neachtain is an extra means of communication between the Gaelscoil and you as parent. We welcome everyone back to Gaelscoil Neachtain for the school year 2021 - 2022. We warmly welcome all the children to Naíscóil Neachtain, and likewise, we warmly welcome our Rang 1 children. We sincerely hope that *all* our children enjoy their learning at Gaelscoil Neachtain and that their experience here will be positive, happy and will stand with them throughout their lives! We also hope that you, as a parent, benefit from your association with Gaelscoil Neachtain. I thank you, in anticipation, for your understanding and co-operation regarding safety strategies we have in place against COVID-19. We follow, and take advice from, the Public Health Agency on an ongoing basis. If you have any questions regarding this, please contact the Gaelscoil. Go raibh maith agat.

NEW MEMBER of STAFF

We welcome Gearóid Breathnach to Gaelscoil Neachtain. Múinteoir Gearóid is teaching our Rang 5 children this year. He is the Sports Co-ordinator for this school year and he will also direct music. We wish him every success.

MÚINTEOIR LAUREN

Unfortunately, Múinteoir Lauren remains on sick leave. Hopefully, she'll be back teaching by the beginning of October. Meanwhile, the children are settling in well with Múinteoir Orlaith.

CHILD PROTECTION, 2021 – 2022.

Fionnuala Ní Dhufaigh is the Designated Teacher for Child Protection. Róisín Mhíic Thaidhg is the Deputy Designated Teacher for Child Protection. If you have any concerns, contact either immediately.

COATS!!

PLEASE SEND A COAT WITH YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY. THANK-YOU! PLEASE ENSURE CHILD'S NAME IS ON THE COAT!

TOPAICÍ FOGHLAMA

Leítear thíos, le do thoil, na topaicí éagsúla, a bhfuil na páistí ag foghlaim faoi i dTéarma 1a, 2021 – 2022.

Rang 1

Tá páistí Rang 1 ag foghlaim faoin topaic *Mé Féin* an leath-théarma seo. Tá muid ag foghlaim faoi theaghlaigh agus faoi bhaill an choirp. Tá muid ag foghlaim fosta faoinár n-ainmeacha agus faoi na spéiseanna atá againn. Beidh muid ag díriú isteach fosta ar scileanna éisteachta agus labhartha i ngach gné den fhoghlaim.

Rang 2

Is é *Nach Iontach Mise!* an topaic atá ag páistí Rang 2 an leath-théarma seo. Is iad féiniúlacht, muintearas agus féinghlacadh na príomhthéamaí. Forbraíonn agus cleachtann na páistí féinghlacadh sna gníomhaíochtaí foghlama agus cuirfear lena bhféinmheas trí eolas níos fearr a chur orthu féin. Iad féin agus dtréithe pearsanta a fhiosrú agus a phlé: fiosraíonn siad cé hiad féin; aithníonn siad na rudaí is féidir leo a dhéanamh; aithníonn siad na rudaí is fearr leo; aithníonn siad cad chuige a bhfuil siad speisialta. Spreagf na páistí le dearcadh dearfach a bheith acu ar an fhoghlaim.

Rang 3

Tá Rang 3 ag dul don topaic *Mé Féin agus An Scoil*. Tá siad ag foghlaim faoi chineáil éagsúla scoileanna sa tír seo agus i dtíortha eile. Cuirfear suirbhé amach chuig Mamó agus Daideo an tseachtain seo chugainn ag fiosrú scoileanna mar a bhíodh. Tá na páistí ag foghlaim faoin Fhómhar fosta.

Rang 4

Is é *Athrú an Fhómhair* an topaic atá ag páistí Rang 4 an leath-téarma seo. Agus na páistí ag foghlaim faoin Fhómhar agus na hathruithe a bhaineann le teacht an Fhómhair, beidh deis acu foghlaim faoin aimsir, na séasúir agus crainn. Beidh siad ag foghlaim fosta faoi ainmhithe agus féilte san Fhómhar. Rachaidh na páistí ar shiúlóid an Fhómhair fosta.

Rang 5

Tá Rang 5 ag foghlaim fá an aimsir an téarma seo. Tá muid ag bailiú eolais ar an dóigh a bheas an aimsir ag athrú sa todhchaí mar gheall ar an téamh domhanda. Beidh muid ag scríobh plean aicsean fá choinne an cheantair áitiúil. Beidh smaointe ann a chuideoidh le pobal an cheantair an tionchar mar gheall ar an athrú aeráide a laghdú.

Ranganna 6 / 7

Tá ranganna 6/7 ag foghlaim faoin Ghorta Mór an leath-théarma seo. Beidh deis ag na páistí fáthanna a mbíonn gorta ann a fhiosrú agus an tionchar a bhí ag an Ghorta Mór ar an daonáireamh in Éirinn. Beidh muid ag amharc ar ghorta timpeall an domhain sa lá atá inniu ann fosta.

LEARNING TOPICS

Please read below the various topics children are learning about in Term 1a, 2021 - 2022.

Rang 1

Children in Rang 1 are learning about the topic *Myself* this half-term. We are learning about families and about parts of the body. We are also learning about our names and about our interests. We will also focus on listening and speaking skills in every aspect of our learning.

Rang 2

Wonderful Me! is the topic for children in Rang 2 this half-term. The main themes are identity, security and acceptance of self. The children will develop and practise self-acceptance throughout the learning activities, and their self-esteem will be enhanced through developing a greater sense of awareness and self-discovery. They will explore and discuss themselves and their personal attributes - exploring who they are; recognising what they can do; identifying their favourite things; recognising what makes them special. The children will be encouraged to develop a positive attitude to learning.

Rang 3

Children in Rang 3 are *Myself and School*. They are finding out about different kinds of schools in this country and in other countries through the topic *We Like School!* A survey will be sent out to grandparents next week as part of their research into schools long ago. The children are also learning about Autumn.

Rang 4

Children in Rang 4 are investigating the topic *Change in Autumn* this half-term. As the children investigate the seasonal changes of Autumn, they will have the opportunity to learn about aspects of the weather, seasons and trees. They will also learn about animals and festivals in Autumn. The children will go on an Autumn walk.

Rang 5

Rang 5 are learning about the weather in this half-term. We are gathering information regarding the impact that global warming will have on our climate in the future. We aim to write an action plan for the local area, highlighting the potential areas of concern and develop practical solutions that will help lessen the impact on the changing climate in the locality.

Ranganna 6 / 7

Children in Ranganna 6 / 7 are learning about the Great Famine this half-term. The children will be given the opportunity to investigate the causes of famine and the effects the famine had on the population of Ireland. We will also be looking at famine around the world today.

AG SOCRÚ ISTEACH

Is í mí Mheán an Fhómhair mí don socrú isteach in achan scoil ar fud fad na tíre. Mí í ina gcuireann an múinteoir ranga aithne ar na páistí (munar theagasc sé iad roimh ré) agus ina bhfaigheann sí / sé amach cá háit a bhfuil gach páiste maidir leis an fhoghlaim. Má tá ceist ar bith agat, nó buaireamh ar bith agat, sna luathlaethanta seo, iarrtar ort dul i dteagmháil, le do thoil, leis an mhúinteoir ranga chun é a phlé. Tá sé tábhachtach go ndéanann tú seo sa dóigh is go mbíonn tu cothrom do do pháiste AGUS don mhúinteoir. Go raibh maith agat.

POLASAÍ AR OIDEACHAS CAIDRIMH AGUS GNÉASACHTA (OCG)

Tá cóip den Pholasaí Gaelscoile ar Oideachas Caidrimh agus Gnéasachta a chur abhaile le gach páiste inniu. Cuirtear OCG san áireamh sa Churaclam ar bhonn reachtúil trí mheán an Forbairt Phearsanta agus Comhthuiscint, An tSláinte agus an tOideachas, an Domhan Thart Orainn agus Teagasc Críostaí. Iarrtar ort an polasaí seo a léamh go cúramach agus nótaí ar bith atá agat a scríobh sa litir atá leis agus a chur ar ais chun na Gaelscoile faoin **Aoine, 1 Deireadh Fómhair**, le do thoil. Go raibh maith agat.

PLEAN FORBARTHA SCOILE, 2021 – 2024.

Tá obair tosaithe cheana féin ar Phlean Forbartha na Scoile, 2021 – 2024. Beidh deis ag tuismitheoirí cur leis an phleanáil seo. Cuirfear ceistiúchán chuig gach teaghlach sna seachtainí atá le teacht. Go raibh maith agat.

NÍL DALTAÍ, NÓ BAILL FHOIRNE, LE FREASTAL AR SCOIL MÁ TÁ COMHARTHAÍ DEN TINNEAS COVID-19 ORTHU.

GSP agus RIANÚ TÁIRGE

Mar a mhaíodh sa litir de chuid an Phríomhoifigeach Leighis, Dé hAoine, 10 Meán Fómhair, is í an Ghníomhaíocht Sláinte Poiblí anois atá i mbun rianú táirge maidir le teagmhálaithe de Choróinvíreas-19. Más ann do chás deimhneach den víreas i do theaghlach, áfach, iarrtar ort an Ghaelscoil a chur ar an eolas fosta, le do thoil. Go raibh maith agat.

CISTE GAELSCOILE

Mar is eol duit, chuir *Cairde Neachtain* tús le ciste Gaelscoile sa scoilbhliain 2019 – 2020 chun taca maoinithe a thabhairt don Ghaelscoil. Tá muid anois ag glacadh le tabhartais, le buíochas, don scoilbhliain seo. Mar a leanas atá sonraí an chiste: £25 an páiste agus £40 an teaghlach in aghaidh na bliana. **Más féidir, tugtar, le do thoil, faoin Aoine, 22 Deireadh Fómhair.** Go raibh maith agat.

MAOINIÚ ENGAGE agus AN LÉANN LEATHNAITHE

Tá maoiniú faighte againn arís don chlár *Engage* agus don Léann Leathnaithe i mbliana chun taca foghlama a chur ar fáil i mbliana. Má bhaineann sé leat, beidh an múinteoir ranga i dteagmháil leat roimh i bhfad.

SETTLING IN

September is the month for settling in, in every school throughout the country. It is a month in which the class teacher gets to know the children (if they haven't taught them already) and in which she / he finds out where every child is regarding learning. If you have any questions, or concerns, in these early days, you are asked, please, to contact the class teacher to discuss them. It is important that you do this, to be fair to your child AND to the class teacher. Go raibh maith agat.

POLICY for RELATIONSHIPS and SEXUALITY EDUCATION

A copy of the Gaelscoil's Policy for Relationships and Sexuality Education is being sent home to every family today. RSE is included on a statutory basis within the NI curriculum through Personal Development and Mutual Understanding, Health Education, the World around Us and Religious Education. You are asked to read this policy carefully and to write any comments you may have on the accompanying letter and return to the Gaelscoil by **Friday, 1st October**, please. Go raibh maith agat.

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT PLAN, 2021 – 2024.

Work has already commenced on the School Development Plan, 2021 – 2024. Parents will have an opportunity to contribute to this planning. A questionnaire will be sent to every family in the coming weeks. Go raibh maith agat.

PUPILS AND STAFF MUST NOT ATTEND SCHOOL IF THEY DISPLAY ANY SIGNS OF COVID-19 ILLNESS.

PHA and TRACK and TRACE

As stated in the Chief Medical Officer's letter of 10th September, the Public Health Agency is now in charge of track and trace relating to COVID-19 contacts. If, however, there is a positive case in your household, you are asked to also inform the Gaelscoil, please. Go raibh maith agat.

GAELSCOIL FUND

As you are aware, *Cairde Neachtain* initiated a Gaelscoil fund in the school year 2019 – 2020 to provide financial support for the Gaelscoil. We are now accepting, gratefully, donations for this school year. The details of the fund are as follows: voluntary financial contribution from parents - £25 per child and £40 per family annually. **If possible please donate by Friday, 22nd October.** Go raibh maith agat.

ENGAGE and EXTENDED SCHOOLS FUNDING

Gaelscoil Neachtain has again received funding for the *Engage* programme and for Extended Schools this year to support learning. If applicable, the class teacher will contact you soon.

AN CLUB BRICFEASTA

Tá An Club Bricfeasta ar oscailt gach maidin idir 8.15 – 8.45r.n. Fáilte roimh achan pháiste. **Tugtar faoi dheara, le do thoil: Glactar leis na hordaithe deireanacha don bhricefeasta ar 8.40rn.** Go raibh maith agat.

CUMARSÁID GHAELSCOILE

Úsáidtear *Class Dojo* mar mheán cumarsáide na Gaelscoile. **Tá sé práinneach go bhfuil an aip seo íoslódáilte agat sa dóigh is go bhfuil teacht isteach agat ar eolas Gaelscoile.** BAIN AMACH AN AIP ROIMHE GAELSCOILE.

Iarrtar ar thuismitheoirí cumarsáidí n Gaelscoile a léamh go cúramach, le do thoil. **Má tá ceist agat fá rud ar bith, GABH i dTEAGMHÁIL LEIS AN GHAELSCOIL, LE DO THOIL.** Go raibh maith agat.

SCOIL a DHÍRIONN AIRD AR AN RÉITEACH

Is scoil í Gaelscoil Neachtain a dhíríonn aird ar an réiteach. Tugtar faoi dheara, le do thoil: **má bhíonn buaireamh nó gearán agat, iarrtar ort dul i dteagmháil le múinteoir ranga an phaiste s'agatsa a luaithe agus is féidir, le do thoil. MUNA BHFUIL FOIREANN na GAELSCOILE AR AN EOLAS FÁ ÁBHAR AR LEITH, NÍ THIG LINN TOISEACHT AR AN RÉITEACH.** Go raibh maith agat.

EOLAS GAELSCOILE

Ar an dóigh chéanna, má tá tú ag iarraidh eolais, nó soiléireachta, maidir le dul chun cinn do pháiste, nó le hábhar ar bith Gaelscoile, téitear i dteagmháil, le thoil, leis an mhúinteoir ranga nó cuirtear glaoch ar oifig na Gaelscoile – 028 777 42529. Go raibh maith agat.

CORPOIDEACHAS / SPÓRT

Tá an t-ádh orainn go bhfuil triúr traenálaí spórt, mar atá, Emmett Stewart, Eoghan Mag Uiginn agus Caoimhín Ó hAnfaidh, ag teacht isteach chun na Gaeilsoile i mbliana. Bíonn Emmett ag teagasc bunscoileanna do gach rang ar an Luan, bíonn Eoghan ag teagasc scoileanna iománaíochta / camógaíochta do pháistí Ranganna 4 – 7 ar an Déardaoin. Bíonn Kevin ag teagasc bunscoileanna iománaíochta / camógaíochta do pháistí Ranganna 1 / 2 ar an Aoine. Téann páistí Ranganna 6 / 7 ag snamh ar an Aoine faoi láthair agus bíonn corpoideachas ag ranganna eile le linn na seachtaine. Iarrtar ar pháistí brógaí spórt a chaitheamh ar laethanta a bhfuil spórt acu. Go raibh maith agat. Mar a leanas atá Corpoideachas / Spórt ag na páistí -
R.1 – An Luan, an Aoine.
R.2 – An Luan, An Aoine.
R.3 – An Luan, An Déardaoin.
R.4 – An Luan, An Déardaoin.
R.5 – An Luan, An Déardaoin.
R.6/7 – An Luan, An Déardaoin.

BREAKFAST CLUB

The Breakfast Club is open every morning between 8.15 – 8.45am. All children are welcome. **Please note: last orders for breakfast are taken at 8.40am.** Go raibh maith agat.

GAELSCOIL INFORMATION

Class Dojo is used for Gaelscoil communication. **It is vital that you have this app downloaded so that you have access to all Gaelscoil information.** PLEASE DELETE THE PREVIOUS GAELSCOIL APP.

Parents are asked to read all Gaelscoil communications carefully. **If you have any questions about anything, PLEASE CONTACT THE GAELSCOIL.** Go raibh maith agat.

A SOLUTION BASED SCHOOL

Gaelscoil Neachtain is a solution based school. Please note: **if you have a concern or complaint, you are asked to contact your child's class teacher, as soon as possible, please. IF THE GAELSCOIL STAFF IS NOT AWARE OF A PARTICULAR ISSUE, WE CANNOT BEGIN TO RESOLVE IT.** Go raibh maith agat.

GAELSCOIL INFORMATION

Similarly, if you for seeking information, or clarity, in relation to your child's progress or any Gaelscoil matter, please contact the class teacher or phone the Gaelscoil office – 028 777 42529. Go raibh maith agat.

P.E. / SPORT

We are fortunate to have three sports coaches, namely, Emmett Stewart, Eoghan McGuigan and Kevin Hinphey, coming into the Gaelscoil this year. Emmett teaches basic skills to every class on Mondays, Eoghan teaches hurling / camogie skills to children in Ranganna 4 – 7 on Thursdays. Kevin teaches basic hurling / camogie skills to children in Ranganna 1 / 2 on Fridays. Children in Ranganna 6 / 7 currently go swimming on Fridays and other classes also have PE during the week. Children are asked to wear trainers on days they have PE / sport. Go raibh maith agat. Children have PE / Sport as follows -
R.1 – Monday, Friday.
R.2 – Monday, Friday.
R.3 – Monday, Thursday.
R.4 – Monday, Thursday.
R.5 – Monday, Thursday.
R.6/7 – Monday, Thursday

ALLERGY INFORMATION: KIWI AND NUTS

Kiwi fruit and nuts are not allowed to be brought into GaelsCOil Neachtain. Go raibh maith agat.