

Nuachtlitir na Míosa
Mí: Meán Fómhair 2023

	Imeacht / Event	Dáta	Ranganna / Múinteoirí
Imeachtaí agus dátaí tábhachtacha / <i>Events and important dates</i>	Athoscailt na Scoile / School reopening FÁILTE IS FICHE ROMHAIBH AR AIS!	30.08.2023	8:40 - 9:00 Naí. Mh.- R6 9:00 - 9:30 Naí. Bheaga
	Ag teacht ar scoil @ 9:30 agus ag dul abhaile @ 12:00 / Arriving @ 9:30 am and going home @12:00	30.08.'23 - 01.09.'23	Naíonáin Bheaga
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	Ag teacht ar scoil @ 9:00 agus ag dul abhaile @ 12:45 / Arriving @ 9:00 am and going home @12:45	11 - 15.09.'23	Naíonáin Bheaga
	Féach ar an nasc thall chuig an bhFéilire scoile ar son gach eolais eile/ Please see the link for the school calendar for other important dates	Mí Mheán Fómhair	Féilire / Calendar
	Dúnadh scoile níos luaithe ar son cruinniú foirne. / School closing earlier to facilitate a staff meeting. Ag dul abhaile / Home time	26. 09. 2023	12:50: Naí Bheaga & Mhóra 1:00: R1 – R6
Meabhrúcháin/ <i>Reminders</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Éide Scoile / School Uniform <i>I mbliana táimid ag súil go gcaithfidh gach páiste an éide scoile iomlán, bróga nó bróga reatha dubha gach lá seachas na naíonáin agus ar an Aoine dheirneach de ghach mí. Ar laethanta spóirt caithfear an culaith reatha agus bróga reatha dubha. De bharr botún scoile ar an mbileog bróga ceadófar bróga reatha dáite dóibh siúd gur cheannaigh iad i mbliana amháin leis an gculaith reatha. Cuirfidh na múinteoirí ranga nóta amach ar SEESAW go luath faoi na laethanta spóirt. De bharr go mbíonn an scoil chomh te, tá briste gairid le suaitheantas na scoile ceadaithe go dtí briseadh Oíche Shamhna. Cloisim ó Hydes go bhfuil thart ar 40 páiste ó R1-R6 gan an briste gairid ceart go fóill. Beidh cead acu siúd briste dubha gairide oiriúnacha a chaitheamh ar feadh cóicíse go dtiocfaidh na cinn cearta isteach..</i> <i>This year pupils are expected to wear the full school uniform and black shoes or runners each day except for the infants, and on the last Friday of each month. On PE days the school tracksuit should be worn along with black runners. Due to a school error on the suitable footwear sheet, those who purchased coloured runners are permitted to wear them on PE days this year. Class teachers will shortly inform their classes of PE days via SEESAW. Due to the school building being quite warm, children are permitted to wear the school crested shorts until the October break. Hydes have informed me that 40 children or so from 1st-6th class are waiting school shorts. These children are permitted to wear black sports shorts of a suitable length for the first two weeks until the order arrives.</i> Lóin Scoile / School lunches Leanfaidh an Córas Seachadh Lóin ag freastal ar an scoil arís i mbliana ach ní bheidh aon bhia le hard-léibhéal siúcra ceadaithe seachas ar an Aoine. Le bhur dtoil cosúil le bheith ag siopdóireacht i siopa ceannaigh bia sláintiúil ó Luan go Déardaoin. Ní bheidh ach 'treat' beag amháin ceadaithe ar an Aoine ar nós, barra 		

seacláide beag, mála milseáin beag, bonnóg, cáca nó briosca beag. Bheimís buíoch do thuistí gan cistí srl a sheoladh isteach ar son breith laethanta mar téann sé seo i gcoinne an scoil ag iarraidh a bheith mar scoil sláintiúil.

*The Lunch Bag delivery service will continue to deliver a lunch service to the school, however, high sugar content foods are not permitted except on Fridays. We would ask parents to view the service as though buying suitable healthy food in a shop and avoid purchasing high sugar content foods from Monday to Thursday. On Fridays, **one small treat only is permitted such as a treat-size chocolate bar, a treatsize bag of sweets and a small muffin/biscuit etc.** We kindly ask parents not to send in cakes or treats on children's birthdays as this does not assist our endeavours as a health promoting school.*

- **Trácht Scoile & Doirse Cuí / School traffic & entrance & exit doors**

Ba mhaith linn a chur i gcuimhne daoibh go bhfuil córas aon bhealach ann maidir le carrchlós na dtuismitheoirí. Tar isteach an geata ar bharr chun páirceáil agus siúl do leanbh chuig an doras. Le bhur dtoil **NÁ TÉIR AMACH AN GEATA** seo. Tugadh cead pleanála aon bhealach isteach don scoil. Tóg san áireamh nach féidir páirceáil in san rannóg scaoil amach. Caithfear na páistí a scoileadh amach agus fágaint láithreach. Féach ar an mbileog eolais faoi bhainistiú tráchta ag an nasc thíos

*We would like to remind you that we have a one-way system for the parents' car park. Please come in by the top gate if parking to walk your child to the door and leave via the main gate. We kindly ask you **NOT TO EXIT THE TOP GATE** as the school was granted planning permission for entrance purposes only. We also kindly ask you to drop and go at the set down area. Parents walking their children to the door from this area is not permitted as it slows the whole system down. Please see the schools traffic management information plan and entrance & exit doors at the following link [Bainistiú Tráchta/ Traffic Management](#)*

- **Párcáil mórthimpeall na scoile / Parking around the school environs.**

Impimid oraibh smaoineamh ar ár gcomharsain ar fad mórthimpeall na scoile agus gach iarracht a dhéanamh carrchlós na dtuistí a úsáid i dteannta leis na pointí scaoileadh síos chomh minic is gur féidir. Tá sé ríthábhachtach nach mbeidh aon bhac ar na bealaí éigeandála chuig an láthair nó na heastáit mórthimpeall orainn. Bheimís fíor bhuíoch as bhur gcomhoibriú.

We kindly ask you to be mindful of all our neighbours and to use the parents' car park and the drop-off points as much as possible. It is most important that the entrance and exit points to the site and the neighbouring estates remain free at all times to ensure emergency vehicles have access. Your co-operation in this matter is much appreciated.

- **Club cúram leanaí Roimh agus Tar Éis scoile / Before and After school care provider**

Tá Club Spraoi, an tseirbhís cúram leanaí, roimh agus tar éis scoile, ar oscailt anois. Ar son tuilleadh eolais, féach ar an suíomh agus an nasc thíos ar shuíomh ghreásáin na scoile nó seol ríomhphost chuig Rachele at gsmnc@clubspraoi.ie

Club Spraoi before and after school childcare service is now open on the school premises. Please see their website and the link below for more details. [Club Spraoi - Seirbhís Cúram Leanaí Roimh & Taréis Scoile](#). To register and book, please go to www.clubspraoi.ie and for information please don't hesitate to contact their Coordinator Rachele at gsmnc@clubspraoi.ie

- **Deacracht le híocaíochtaí / Financial difficulties**

Le bhur dtoil, má tá deacrachtaí agaibh ó thaobh billí scoile srl a íoc, tagaigí i dteangmháil le hÁine nó Róisín. Pléifear le gach cás go discrèideach agus faoi rún.

Please make contact with Áine or Róisín if you are experiencing difficulties in paying school related bills. Please know that all matters will be dealt with discreetly and confidentially.

<p>Meabhrúcháin/ Reminders</p>	<p>COSC IOMLÁN AR CHNÓNNA / NUT FREE ZONE</p> <p>Ar bhonn sláinte agus sábháilteachta agus ar son roinnt pháistí le hailléirge cnónna, beidh GSMNC ar nós ZÓN SAOR Ó CHNÓNNA an bhliain seo chugainn ar aghaidh.</p> <p>For health & safety reasons and to be mindful of children with severe nut allergies on the school grounds, GSMNC will be a NUT FREE ZONE from next September onwards.</p>
<p>Nótaí eile / Other notes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <p>Folláin an Pháiste / Pupi's Wellbeing</p> <p>Láimhseáil le Cúram – Bíonn laethanta deacra againn ar fad mar aon le páistí. Má bhíonn droch oíche, maidin nó deireadh seachtaine ag do pháiste iarrfaimid ort ‘Handle with Care’ a sheoladh ar SEESAW nó trí r-phost go dtí an múinteoir ranga agus ní chuirfear aon cheist eile ort nó ar do pháiste</p> <p><i>Handle with Care – We all have challenging days and that includes our children. If your child has a difficult night, morning or weekend, please send the message ‘Handle with Care’ to their class teacher via SEESAW or email and no other questions will be asked.</i></p> <p>Rphoist, Pictiúir agus GDPR / Emails, pictures and GDPR</p> <p>Bhí sé molta don scoil a mholadh do thuistí gan bhur r-phost oibre a úsáid chun teangmháil a dhéanamh leis an scoil faoi bhur bpáistí. De bharr cúiseanna GDPR níor chóir do mhúinteoirí scoile a bheith ag plé buairteanna faoi pháistí seachas ar bhur r-phost pearsanta. Le bhur dtoil más mian leat do rphoist a uasdátú seol bhur rphost pearsanta chuig Fiona oifig@gsmnc.ie ionas gur féidir léi iad a athrú ar chóras Aladdin.</p> <p><i>The school was advised to highlight to parents the importance of using your personal email accounts as opposed to work related emails when discussing matters pertaining to your children. For GDPR reasons teachers have been advised moving forward in the 2023/24 school year that school related correspondence should only take place via parents’ private email accounts. If you need to update your correspondence, please contact Fiona at oifig@gsmnc.ie to allow her to change it on the Aladdin system.</i></p> <p>Glacfaimid leis go bhfuil gach tuismitheoir/caomhnóir gur thug cead ar Aladdin ghriangraif srl a bheith tógtha sásta é a fhágaint mar atá. Má tá tú ag iarraidh do chead a athrú, le do thoil, tar i dteangmháil leis an scoil chun insint dúinn. Seolfar an cead seo amach chuig tuistí na naionán nua i Meán Fómhair.</p> <p><i>It is accepted that all parents that signed the photography consent via Aladdin last year are still happy to proceed as was. If you would prefer to change your consent choice please contact the school to inform of same. Permission seeking photography consent will be sent to parents of incoming junior infants in September.</i></p> <p>Cruinnithe Ranga aonaracha le R4-R6 / Individual Class meeting with 4th -6th</p> <p>Beidh cruinnithe aonaracha á reachtáil agam féin, Róisín, agus na múinteoirí ranga cuí le rang ghrúpa R4 - R6. Beidh na polasaithe nua Cód Iompair, Frith Bhulaíochta, Gléasanna Teicneolaíochta á bplé i dteannta leis an gcóras Cleachtais Aisiríoch nua. Ba mhian linn freisin iompair éagsúla atá ag éirí níos comónta i measc na nardranganna agus gur cúiseanna móra imní dúinn a phlé ionas go bhféadfaimis tacú leis na leanaí sa slí is cabhraí is gur féidir mar chomhphobal scoile. Chun é seo a dhéanamh, caithfidh ar a laghad tuismitheoir amháin ó ghach teaghlach a bheith i láthair ag an gcruinniú. Le bhur dtoil féach ar an bhféilire dos na dátaí agus na hamanta. Féilire / Calendar</p> <p><i>Myself, Róisín and the relevant class teachers will hold meetings with parents in each class grouping from 4th - 6th. The new Code of Behaviour, Anti-bullying and Mobile Phone and Technical Devices’ policies will be discussed along with the new Restorative Practice Approach. We would also like to take the opportunity to discuss some behaviours of significant concern that are becoming more prevalent among this age group in general in the hopes that we as a school community can support the children as well as possible for the year ahead. Attendance at these meetings is crucial and we are asking that at least one</i></p>

parent from each household be present. Please see the School Calendar for the specific dates and times. [Féilire / Calendar](#)

- **Cleachtais Aisiríoch & Cód Iompair / Restorative Practice & Code of Behaviour**

Rinne gach ball foirne cúrsa Cleactas Aisiríoch, íochta ag an mBord Bainistíochta thar an samhradh. Beidh an cleachtas seo á chur i bhfeidhm againn mar scoil ó i mbliana ar aghaidh. Tá Cód Iompair nua scríofa chomh maith i rith an tsamhraidh agus roinnfear é seo leis an bpobal scoile go luath. Bhí sé scríofa le cur chuige Cleactas Aisiríoch in aigne.

The Board of Management are undertaking the promotion of Restorative Practice within the school by paying for each staff member to complete a course over the summer. We will be implementing the programme as a school wide initiative from this year. A new Code of Behaviour was written over the summer months and will be shared shortly with the school community. It was written with the Restorative Practice approach in mind.

Restorative Practice (RP)

As a school, we favour Restorative Practice (RP) as a tool for promoting positive behaviour and relationships as well as a means for dealing with wrongdoings or conflict. RP is a way of being as well as a way of doing and requires a mindset that embodies trust and respect. It focuses on repairing the harm that has been done and provides pupils with opportunities to take responsibility for their behaviour and accept the consequences for their actions. It also fosters empathy and understanding for others, particularly those we might not see eye to eye with. In RP, challenging behaviour is often seen through the prism of unmet needs. It is a staged approach to problem solving/conflict resolution that includes all of the parties involved.

- **Grianghraif le Memory Lane / Memory Lane Photography**

Beidh Memory Lane anseo ar son grianghraif scoile a thógaint ó Déardaoin an 7ú go dtí Satharn an 9ú Meán Fómhair. Beidh grianghraif á dtógaint le Naíonáin Bheaga agus rang a Sé ar Déardaoin an 7ú lá. Beidh grianghraif rang ghrúpa mór amháin á dtógaint acu agus grianghraif aonair des na páistí. Má bheidh am ar an Déardaoin tógfar grianghraif le siblíne chomh maith. Ar an Aoine beidh na grianghraif aonair agus grianghraif le siblíne á dtógaint dos an ranganna eile. Bheimis buíoch dá mbeadh culaithe reatha nua na scoile á gcaitheamh ag na Naíonáin go léir agus éide scoile iomláin le bróga nó bróga reatha dubha á gcaitheamh ag R1 - R6 ar an Déardaoin & an Aoine an tseachtain seo chugainn

Memory Lane photography are in the school from Thursday 7th until Saturday 9th of September. On Thursday they will focus on Junior infants and 6th class only. One large class group photograph will be taken of juniors and of 6th. They will also take individual photographs and possibly commence ones with siblings if time allows. All remaining children's photographs will be taken on Friday along with their sibling. We kindly ask that all infants wear the new school tracksuit and that 1st to 6th class wear their school uniforms with black shoes or black runners on Thursday and Friday of next week.

Beidh lá grianghraif clainne acu ar an Satharn agus beidh Cairde ag cabhrú leo ar an lá. Cruthóidh an rúnaí Fíona, sceideal ar Aladdin le bearnaí ama 5 nóiméad agus beidh ar pé clann gur mhaith leo 'opting' isteach sa choras seo. Tá an chomhlucht ag lorg iarlais €10 le n-íoc trí epayments ar Aladdin ó aon chlann go bhfuil suim acu é seo a dhéanamh.

Parent and Child photograph shoots will occur on Saturday for those that wish to avail of it. Cairde will be assisting with same on the day. Families will have to opt in by choosing a time slot of 5 minutes on the Aladdin schedule system. 3 portraits per family will be shot. The company is seeking a €10 deposit from any families that are interested in availing of this service. This can be paid via the school's Aladdin E payments system.

- **Gníomhaíochtaí seach churaclaim / Afterschool Activities**

Mar is eol daoibh beidh Club Spraoui, cúram leanaí roimh & tar éis scoile ag feidhmiú sa scoil arís i mbliana. Chomh maith le sin beidh gníomhaíochtaí eile tar éis scoile ar

son na ranganna Naíonán ag tosnú sa halla @1:40. Beidh oraibh dul i dteangmháil leis na comhlachtaí go díreach & ní tríd an scoil.

As you are aware, Club Spraoi will continue to provide their before and after school childcare service. On top of that it is intended that the following afterschool activities for infants will take place in halla na scoile @1:40. You must contact the providers directly.

Gníomhaíochtaí @1:40 dos na naíonáin/ Activities @1:40 for infants

Dé Luain / Monday - **Dráma / Drama le Shevaun**

Dé Mairt / Tuesday - **níl aon rud go fóill / to be confirmed**

Dé Céadaoin / Wednesday - **Creative Keyboards**

Déardaoin / Thursday - **Tae Kwon Do le Darren**

- **Obair an tsamhraidh fad is a bhí an scoil dúnta:**
 - Domhain-ghlanadh na scoile ó chomhlucht proifisiúnta
 - Forbairt Ghairmiúil Leanúnach i gCleachtas Aisiríoch déanta ag gach ball foirne
 - Péinteáil laistigh d'áiteanna ar leith - buíochas le hAlan as ucht é sin a dhéanamh.
 - Péinteáil den scoil ar fad lasmuigh tonaithe
 - Dhá Sheomra Céadfaigh críochnaithe
 - Seomra Uathachais ullamhaithe & troscán ar leith ceannaithe
 - Múinteoirí agus Cúntóirí Ranga nua fostaithe

- **Work that occurred while school was closed:**
 - Deep clean of the school by a professional company
 - Professional development i Restorative Practice completed by all staff members
 - Painting of interior areas within the school - Many thanks to Aán for doing so
 - Painting of the schools exterior commenced
 - Two Sensory rooms completed
 - Autism classroom prepared and specific furniture purchased
 - New teachers and Additional Needs Assistants (ANAs) employed

- **Obair Bhaile & Labhairt na Gaeilge /Homework and Spoken Irish**

Ní bheidh aon obair bhaile foirmeálta tosnaíthe ar scoil go dtí Luan an 18ú. Beidh na múinteoirí ag tabhairt faoi ar scoil go dtí an dáta sin chun a chinntiú go mbeidh páistí in ann tabhairt faoi i gceart agus tuiscint acu ar cad atá á lorg uathu.

Homework will not formally commence until Monday the 18th. Teachers will do homework in class for the first two weeks to ensure the children can undertake the work and understand what is expected of them.

Ní mhúinfear aon Bhéarla do pháistí go dtí Luan an 11ú lá. Déantar é seo chun an deis a thabhairt dóibh dul i dtaithí ar Ghaeilge arís tar éis dhá mhí a chaitheamh gan í a labhairt. Ní bheidh cainteoir na seachtaine ann níos mó ó R3-R6. Beidh cainteoir na míosa amháin agus beimid ag díriú isteach ar dhalta na seachtaine le béim ar luach ar leith gach seachtain.

English will not be taught or spoken until Monday the 11th of September. This is to assist children with the return to the fully immersive Irish speaking environment and to allow them time to adapt to it after a two month break from the language. Cainteoir na seachtaine will no longer occur from 3rd - 6th class. Moving forward we will focus on cainteoir na míosa in these age groups along with the student of the week based on the specific school value.

Cliceáil an nasc / Click the link - FÍS / MISEAN / LUACHANNA – VISION / MISSION / VALUES

An mhí seo táimid ag díriú isteach ar an luach de CHAIRDEAS

- This month we are focusing on the value of FRIENDSHIP

Cairde le Chéile ag Foghlaim!

Nótaí eile / Other notes

Áine agus foireann na scoile

- **Cruinniú Cairde sa halla ar an 18.09.2023 @ 7:30. Cuirfidh Cairde tae & caife ar fáil do thuistí na Naionáin Beaga díreach tar éis an chruinniú a bheidh acu @6:30 ar an oíche cheana.**

Cairde meeting held in the halla on the 18.09.2023 @ 7:30. This will be directly after the new infant parent information meeting @6:30. Cairde will provide teas and coffees for the new infant parents after the meeting.

- **Tá fáilte is fiche roimh tuistí na NB fanúint don chruinniú Cairde. Cuirtear fáilte i gcónaí roimh ball nua. Déanann Cairde obair iontach ar son na scoile agus mholfainn do thuistí freastal ar na cruinnithe. Tá sé tabhachtach le tógaint san áireamh ná lorgaíonn GSMNC aon airgead deonach ó thuistí. Seachas sin bíonn Cairde i mbun feachtais rialta chun airgead a bhailiú ar son na scoile agus na páistí. Le bhur dtoil féach ar an nasc thíos chuig rannóg Cairde ar shuíomh ghreásáin na scoile ar son tuilleadh eolais.**

All new parents are welcome to remain for the Parents Association meeting. New Cairde members are always welcome and I would urge as many parents as possible to attend their monthly meetings to stay informed about their initiatives and to contribute your ideas. It is important to note that GSMNC does not ask for voluntary contributions. Instead, Cairde regularly fundraises throughout the year to benefit our school and enrich our students' experiences. Please see the Cairde section on the school website at the following link for further information. [Cumann na dTuismitheoirí - Cairde](#)

Nuacht Cairde /
News from Cairde

- **Ba mhaith leis an mBord Comhghairdeas a ghébhail le Jackie Uí Laighin & Bernadette Ní Shúilleabháin tar éis dóibh poist bhuana mar Chúntóirí Ranga (CR) a bhaint amach sa scoil. Guímid gach rath ar an mbeirt acu ina róil nua.**

The Board of Management wishes to congratulate Jackie Uí Laighin & Bernadette Ní Shúilleabháin in their recent appointments as permanent ANAs. We wish them all the very best in their new roles.

- **Ba mhaith leis an mBord agus foireann na scoile comhghairdeas a ghébhail le Niamh Ní Uanacháin agus a fear chéile Zahoor as ucht bhreith a n-iníon, Zaire Rose, i rith an tsamhraidh.**

The Board and the school staff would also like to congratulate Niamh Ní Uanacháin and her husband Zahoor on the birth of their daughter, Zaire Rose, over the summer.

- **Ba mhaith leis an mBord buíochas a ghébhail leis an bhfoireann scoile as ucht tabhairt faoi an gCúrsa Cleactas Aisírioch thar an samhradh. Le tacaíocht ón mBord beidh an cleachtas á chur i bhfeidhm againn mar scoil ó Mheán Fómhair ar aghaidh. Tá an Bord ag siúl go mór leis an turas atá romhainn mar scoil chun scoil Cleachtais Aisírioch a bhaint amach.**

The Board of Management would like to thank all the staff for completing the Restorative Practice professional development course over the summer months. With the Boards support the programme will be implement as a school wide initiative in September and we very much look forward to seeing GSMNC grow as an evolving Restorative Practice school.

- **Foireann nua ceapaithe ag an mBoard de bharr sosanna gairme, saoire tuismitheora agus saoire máithreachais srl**

A variety of staff appointments have been made by the Board due to career breaks, parental leaves and maternities.

Bord Bainistíochta /
Board of
Management

- **Ba mhaith leis an mBord a chur in iúl do phobal na scoile go bhfuil rang uathachais á oscailt againn i nGSMNC den chéad uair riamh i mbliana. Is deis iontach é seo scoil níos ionchuimsithí a chruthú a chuireann fáilte roimh gach dalta. Beidh tuilleadh eolas faoi sa Nuachtlitir i Mí Deireadh Fómhair.**

The Board of Management are delighted to announce that we are opening our first ever autism class in GSMNC this year. It is a great opportunity to create a more inclusive school welcoming of all students. Further information about the class will follow in the October Newsletter.