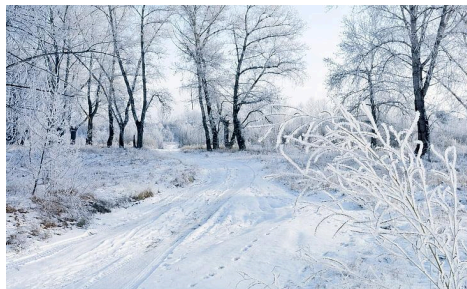


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Please find below details of the various events and activities which have taken place recently and will soon take place in our school.

CHRISTMAS PARADE & MARKET

The Christmas Parade held on *December 13th* was another huge success. The amount of work that went into the planning, organising and execution of the event was amazing. Congratulations and well done to our hard-working Parents Association for their fantastic work, bringing in the necessary funds for the school to enable us to improve our teaching experiences and activities for all our students in our school environment.

MUSIC

Music lessons with James Anglim are ongoing within all the classes. Children are enjoying singing and playing instruments with James and are constantly improving and developing their musical talents.

GYMNASTICS

Since our return from the Christmas break, all students are taking a six week course of gymnastic classes. The students are really enjoying their time with Mike, the instructor and are improving week on week.

FUNDAMENTAL MOVEMENTS

All children in the school will commence a six week block of Fundamental Movement Skills on Tuesday 17th February.

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GAA COACHING

All children in the school will be re-commencing GAA Coaching for another 6 week block in collaboration with Limerick GAA in late February.

PLAYGROUND UPGRADE

As you can see, the playground has been resurfaced and extended during the Christmas Break along with the installation of two new Combi Units for all the children to enjoy. A huge amount of work went into this project in a short timeframe and everyone involved in any way should be extremely proud of their efforts for the children.

GRANDPARENTS DAY

We were delighted to have so many grandparents visit our school on January 22nd to mark Grandparents Day. It is a lovely opportunity for students to show their grandparents their classroom, to show them all their wonderful work, meet the staff and to enjoy some refreshments with each other. Stay tuned this weekend for a video clip!

SWIMMING

The children from 3rd to 6th are currently participating in swimming lessons at the Woodlands Hotel. All children thoroughly enjoy the experience and have become much more confident and competent in the water as a result.

SCHOOL CLOSURES

Due to mandatory staff training on the New Primary Curriculum Framework, the school will be closed on **Monday February 9th**.

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CONFIRMATION DAY

Students in 5th & 6th class will celebrate their **Confirmation Day on Tuesday February 10th**. School will remain open as per usual for all other students, Junior Infants to 4th class and the normal timetable will apply. Students from 1st to 4th class are asked to wear their full school uniform for the day as they will be attending the mass to sing in the choir.

OPEN NIGHT

We are holding our Open Night on **Monday February 16th from 6pm to 7pm**. We would like to invite all incoming and prospective parents to this event in the school.

There will be various signage throughout the locality promoting the event and we would ask everyone to spread the word about this event on behalf of the school community. Please like and share the school's Facebook post to friends and family in order to promote this event.

ENROLMENT

We would invite any parents who have not already returned an enrolment form to please return the form to the school via email or post as soon as possible and invite any parents, relatives or friends who would like to receive enrolment forms to reach out to the school via email or phone at croaghns23@gmail.com or 069-64750. **The deadline for Applications is February 20th.**

FAI SOCCER

The students in the senior rooms will participate in an FAI schools soccer competition for both boys and girls on **March 3rd** in Corbally. More details to follow.

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CLOTHING COLLECTION FUNDRAISER

We have organised a clothing collection for *late March*. So if you wish to do a little decluttering over the next few weeks then please gather any old clothing and paired shoes and place in black refuse bags. We will send out a reminder nearer the time together with an exact date to drop them into the school. Unfortunately, due to lack of space, we are unable to accept any bags before collection day. Thank you for your cooperation.

HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion will take place on **Saturday 9th May at 12.30pm** in Croagh Church .

MORNING SUPERVISION, DROP OFF & COLLECTION

Parents are reminded that children are not permitted inside the school gate before 8:50 am. Supervision of children will begin at 8:50am with lessons beginning at 9:00 am sharp. Please park parallel to the school wall when in the drop off area to allow for minimal disruption for all cars. Parents that park across the road from the school are asked to walk across the road and escort their child(ren) to the car for safety purposes as there is a large quantity of cars present during collection time.

FACEBOOK PAGE & WEBSITE

Don't forget to check in to the schools Facebook page (Croagh NS) and Website (www.croaghns.ie) for regular updates on events, student's work and activities in our school.

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FEBRUARY MID - TERM

The school will be closed on *Thursday 19th & Friday 20th February*.

We would like to thank the entire school community for their continued support in helping this school be a place that everyone feels proud to be part of.

Kind Regards,
Mr. O' Gorman