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Remembering

Many people in our school community have lost members of their family this term. We remember them in a special way during the holiday period, as it can be a difficult time. We offer our comfort and support. May memories of our loved ones warm our hearts in dark times.

*Homework club

Best Wishes

3pm - 4pm

Wishing Ms Harney every good health as she begins maternity leave after Christmas. We look forward to hearing good news in the New Year. Ms Brennan looks forward to taking over from Ms Harney in her 3rd and 4th class in January.

1st - 6th

Class

The best of luck to one and all.

Nollaig Shona

Athbhliain faoi Mhaise daoibh go léir



Every member of the staff of Scoil an Linbh Gosa joins me in wishing you a wonderful Christmas. May your homes be filled with joy and happiness, love and compassion.

And may the New Year be kind to each and everyone. Go n-éirí libh go léir.

> Geraldine Hetherton **Principal**

Activity	Location	Time	Class
*Art	Room 19	3pm – 4:15pm	1 st - 3 rd
*Zumba	CAA	3pm - 3:45pm	Jnr – 2nd
U10, Girls & Snr Boys	School grounds –	3:15 – 4:15pm	5 th & 6 th
Football Teams	GAA in March		
*Homework club	Room 13	3pm – 4pm	1 st – 6 th
*Homework club	Room 8	3pm – 4pm	1 st - 6 th
Choir	Room 15	3pm-3.45pm	3 rd - 5 th
*Playball	Hall	2pm-3pm	Jnr &Snr Infants
*Playball	Hall	3pm–4pm	1 st & 2 nd
Athletics	GAA Pitch	3:15pm-4pm	4 th & 6 th
Soccer	Astro	3pm – 4pm	5 th & 6 th
Bookclub	Room 19	3pm – 3:30pm	3 rd - 6 th
*Homework club	Room 13	3pm – 4pm	1 st – 6th
s *Ukulele	Room 15	3pm – 3.45pm	4 th - 6 th
*Chess	Room 19	3pm – 4pm	3 rd & 4 th
Basketball teams	Hall	3pm – 4pm	5 th & 6 th
*Keyboard	SEN/Room 13	2-3 or 3-4pm	JI -6 th
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Location

Room 8

*Charges apply to these activities. Notes will be handed out with starting dates etc. All activities are subject to numbers of participation

Class

Ms Shanley 1st/2nd

Ms Barrett 3rd

Mr Stone 4th

Mr O Sullivan 1st

Ms Wadding 1st

Ms Dunne 4th

Group

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Activity

Swimming 2020 on Thursdays

6th & 13th Feb

9th . 16th 23rd 30th Jan.

5th.12th.19th 26th March

1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th May

Time

Dates

27th Feb

2nd April

24th April

Term 2 - Afterschool Activities

Mr O'Sullivan

Well done to Mr O'Sullivan for the completion of the Dublin City Marathon. Pat raised €621 which will be ploughed into the school garden.

Thank you for your support.

And well done to all the parents who also ran the marathon.



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Hi Everyone,

This is our latest update on what the committee has been doing.

Firstly, we ran a competition for every class to come up with a catchphrase or slogan. There wasn't one winner - instead we combined a few entries and created an overall code. Well done to everyone!

Thank you to all families for completing our nationalities survey. We are currently compiling the results and hope to have the results very soon.

Popcorn wrappers on yard are a problem but it is improving. Plastic continues to be a big issue so please remember to bring home all wrappers and plastics in your schoolbag. Better still bring a reusable container instead of the plastic.

Our tip of the month: try and find another use for your old jars. Put a flower or candle into it. You could even reuse the small Nutella jar as a drinking glass!

Thanks, The Green-Schools Committee

Our Green Code

There is no planet B, So keep it clean. Cycle, carpool or walk to school, Instead of burning fossil fuel. Don't throw litter in the ocean, You will cause a huge commotion. It is our duty to protect natures beauty So SLAM DUNK THE JUNK

Cake Sale

Thank you also for the cakes, cookies and other goodies which poured in for the Halloween PTA cake sale. The children always enjoy Cake Sale Day. €1.360 was raised for PTA activities. Míle buíochas.

Road Safety

We are all united in wanting our children to be safe coming and going to school. Unfortunately there is cause for concern in relation to road safety and so we are appealing to parents to support our work on road safety by talking to your children about where to cross the road (with Karen, the lollypop lady or at the traffic lights) and how (walking straight across when the green man comes out, not taking short cuts by running diagonally over). The lights at the church can be particularly dangerous if not used properly.

The second way parents can help is by avoiding dropping children outside the school and by avoiding double parking. The bus bay in front of the school is for buses only.

Children cycling to school should wear helmets and should not cycle on the path. Thanks for your help with this important matter.

Book Savings Dates

Book Savings can be made on the following Fridays: Dec 6th, Jan 10th, Feb 7th, March 6th, May 8th A withdrawal date will be announced ahead of the Book Sale in June. **Credit Union**

The children can make lodgements to their Credit Union accounts on Tuesday mornings

Parent Talk

There was a great turn out for the Parent Talk organised by the PTA in November. Stella O'Malley, Psychotherapist, gave a very thought-proving presentation on aspects of bullying, with particular reference to our children's access to and use of technology. She also urged us to hold on to the joy of parenthood, perhaps the most challenging, but rewarding role in life. Stay joyful!

Thanks to the PTA for organising this event, including refreshments.

Very much appreciated.

Thanks also to the **Youth Club** for their donation towards the cost of this event.

U11s

Well done to our U11 Gaelic footballers who competed in the Cumann na mBunscol competition this year. They trained extremely hard since the first week of the new school year and were a pleasure to work with. Well done boys!

Christmas Concert

Junior Infants, 1st, 3rd, 5th

THURSDAY DECEMBER 12th @ 7.00PM

Admission only by ticket

Donations gratefully received on the night to defray production costs No children allowed

The Hunt

The local Hunt very kindly donates the takings from their winter hunt to our special classes. Their donation to our school is very welcome.

The Hunt will take place on Sunday December 8th, from 1pm.

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Our traditional Christmas quiz will be held in the school hall on Wednesday December 4th (7pm to 9pm). Many local schools will join our teams on the night. Funds raised will be go to the local St Vincent de Paul chapter.

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Guitar

The guitar lessons in Fourth Class, funded by the PTA, culminated in a musical session in the hall in November, attended by many parents and even some grandparents. Lovely to see you there. The children enjoyed the lessons and they hope you enjoyed the little concert.

Creative Schools

We are now in our second year as a Creative School and we hope to develop our approaches to drama further in 2020. We would love to hear from anyone who has a particular interest in drama and theatre and who would like to share their dramatic ideas with us.

Defibrillator

The PTA have produced a lovely calendar for each class this year. They hope to raise enough money to buy a defibrillator for the school – something which has been especially on our minds since the tragic death of our past pupil, Ade - may he rest in peace.

Your support for this very worthy cause will be hugely appreciated.

New Crib

Thanks to Mick Dunne and Gerry Mullins for making a beautiful new crib for the school. You are welcome to come in and see it in the foyer. Thanks also to the *Prosperous* Association for the wonderful tree in the corner of the school grounds- a splendid addition to Prosperous this Christmas.

