



Scoil an Linbh Íosa

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June 2017 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I find it hard to believe that it is time to write the last newsletter for this school year. The weeks, indeed the months, have flown. We are all older, and wiser, I hope.

It has been a year filled with wonderful events – from reading the first book, to scoring the best goal ever. Some of us enjoyed a visit from circus performers; others had real, live writers read to them. There were also visits from an Olympic Medal winner, a fireman and a bridge-building engineer. Many got to sow seeds and bulbs which made our school grounds more beautiful. Even more sang their hearts out at the Peace Proms or on the school stage at Christmas.

We had guitar playing and Mindfulness sessions and football and basketball matches. Of course there was Manga High Maths, Christmas Quiz and Cake Sales as well. More recently the early morning Move It activities and School Tours have been a big hit.

An action-packed year which was made possible by the wonderful staff of Scoil an Linbh Íosa. Everyone - Sarah and Mary in the office, Gerry with his toolbox and the teachers and SNAs – have worked tirelessly and enthusiastically to offer your children the best of educational opportunities. I wish to express my sincere gratitude to them for their compassionate service to the children of Prosperous and their encouragement to me. But it must also be acknowledged that your support has played a huge part in the success of all our endeavours.

Thank you. Go raibh mile maith agaibh.

May I wish you and your families a wonderful summer – a time to create splendid memories together.

Le gach dea ghuí.

Geraldine Hetherton
Principal



Artist in Schools Bursary

We have been awarded an Artist in Schools Bursary worth €2,500 from Kildare County Council. Our artist is Alex Rosiak. She will work with one lucky class exploring puppetry in the first term.

Pop Up Race

We are having our own Pop Up race on the 1st of October 2017. There will be a choice of 5km or 10km distance. The entry fees are €15 for 5km, €20 for 10km and €30 for a family entry. Details can be found on the Pop Up Races website, and the school's Facebook page.



Goodbye to Sixth Class

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As we finish the school year we say goodbye to our sixth class pupils. We hope they bring many happy memories with them. We wish them all the very best in their next school and every happiness in whatever path they choose in life.

We also have students from other classes moving on. We also wish them the very best in their new schools.

Lost Property

There are quite a few pieces of clothing in our lost property, located inside the main door. If your child is missing an item can you please claim it before next Wednesday. We will donate any remaining items to the clothing bank.



Credit Union

The Croí Laighean Credit Union is currently offering a €10 education voucher if your child already has or opens a new account with them before the end of September.

Active Flag



Thanks to all the children who participated in the various events for our active flag. Thank you to the class teachers for daily movement breaks and the teachers who came in early to get the children moving. We are very grateful to you for bringing the children in earlier to exercise.

School Calendar 2017/ 2018

A list of key dates for the 2017/ 2018 school year are as follows:

Mid-term Break: School closes on Fri 27th Oct, re-opens Mon 6th Nov

Christmas Holidays: School closes at 12pm on Fri 22nd Dec, re-opens Mon 8th Jan

Mid-term Break: School will be closed on Thurs 15th and Fri 16th of Feb

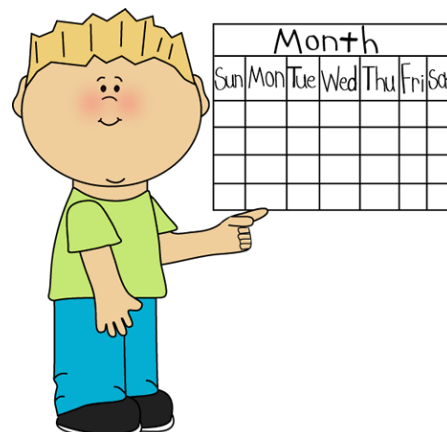
St. Patricks Day: School closed on Mon 19th March

Easter Holidays: School closes at 12pm on Fri 23rd March, re-opens Mon 9th April

May Bank Holiday: School closes on Fri 4th Ma, re-opens Mon 14th May

June Bank Holiday: School closed on Mon 4th of June

Summer: School finishes on Fri 29th June at 12pm



Suggestions on how to make those splendid memories:

Summertime Rules

NO SCREENTIME UNTIL

- You have read for 20 minutes
- You have written your paragraph of the day and have finished your math problem of the day
- You have checked your room to be sure it is clean (bed, clothes, papers)
- You have played, built, crafted or have done something else creative for 40 minutes
- You have finished one chore
(and its done well enough that Mom/Dad will say that you did a great job)

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Have a great summer!