



# Nuachtlitir Scoil Bhríde

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## Notaí Pobail Scoile/School Community Notes

A thuisti

We hope everyone is keeping healthy and doing as well as one can under the circumstances. We had prepared a newsletter before the weekend wishing everyone a safe weekend and expressing our hope that we would be returning to school this side of the Summer. As you are aware the Government announced on Friday evening that we will now stay closed until September. Our Taoiseach, Leo Varadkar, explained that we had a long road ahead but one we would take to stay safe. This we will do and we look forward to the opening of our school doors in September and the sound of the buzz of learning and fun that it brings with it in the air. In the meantime we will continue with our distance learning and school business as best possible.

A number of weeks ago the Department of Education has asked primary schools nationwide to work on their admissions statement and policy. Our staff and management are preparing both and a draft copy will be available soon on our website. We would appreciate your input before it is finalised and ratified by the Board of Management. Once a draft copy is available and on the school website, all families will receive a text to inform them of the same.

If you have any queries or suggestions please forward them to [scoilbhríde2@hotmail.com](mailto:scoilbhríde2@hotmail.com) and your thoughts will be taken on board before the final draft is prepared and submitted to the Patron.

The Department of Education had also informed schools that the standardised tests would not be taking place this academic year. Scoil Bhríde will plan these tests in the new school year and they will take place on guidance received from the Department of Education.

Since the closure of schools nationwide, Scoil Bhríde has provided all our children with what would be described as a digital portfolio. The closure has moved us into this chapter of learning online sooner than we expected however it was something our school had planned for the children, on a smaller scale of course. Digital learning in some way will be part of their life throughout their journey in education in primary school into second level and if it is their chosen path, third level learning also. We were all, parents, children and teachers alike, thrown in the deep end and we have all learnt to swim rapidly. Maith sibh.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank and praise our children and families for all the work they are submitting to their teachers. It is a challenging task however you are all doing a fabulous job. Our teachers are delighted with all the work and writing tasks being submitted. We ask that you keep up the good work now more than ever. We ask you to continue to engage with google classrooms and stick with it. We will take it a week at a time, putting our best foot forward each day.

**Dataí le  
Teacht /  
Upcoming  
Dates**

**Lá na  
hEorpa/  
Europe  
Day 9/5/20  
20**

**Lá Domhan-  
da na nAi-  
géan/World  
Oceans Day  
8/6/2020**

**Grianstad  
an  
tsamhraidh  
/ Summer  
Solstice  
20/6/2020**

**Lá na  
nAithreacha  
/ Fathers'  
Day  
21/6/2020**

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If your child is having an off day, accept it as just that. Don't worry about submitting work. Maybe read a chapter of a book or go for a walk instead. It is so very important to continue with our reading while we work from home.

We would also like to assure parents at the same time not to worry about schoolwork. We understand that this is just unknown waters for everyone and it's a huge ask and that everyone is doing their best. We assure you that on our return Scoil Bhríde will pick up the pieces and work out a plan to get everyone back on track. We are looking forward to our return and once back everything will fall into place again. However in the meantime let us keep working .

It is also important to remember and pray for the thousands of families in Ireland who have lost a loved one and who are grieving as they self isolate without the comfort of each other. Our thoughts and prayers are with them all. Scoil Bhríde also thinks daily of our parents who are front line workers. Our nurses, doctors, hospital staff , home care workers and of course our Gardaí . We are proud of you all and thank you dearly for the care you are providing to those who need it most during this time.

In the meantime, our biggest job is to stay safe and mind ourselves and families, to count our blessings and to keep up the great work. Stay at home and listen to our Government who are trying their best daily to put us first.

## Congratulations

On a final note we would like to congratulate Múinteoir Tonaí and wife Lisa on the birth of their baby boy who arrived into our beautiful world on the 1<sup>st</sup> of May. All are doing well Buíochas le Dia. Tonaí is taking some previously planned leave to spend time with his family. All online learning for Rang 2 will continue as normal and is already scheduled to appear in their google classroom. Múinteoir Padraic will attend to feedback and corrections, we have a back up team in place to ensure everything runs smoothly for our Rang 2 children. Padraic has worked with the class in the past and an amount of planning has gone into the transfer and continued planned work via google classrooms .However please reach out to us if you have any questions . We are here to do what we can to help .

## Altóir na Bealtaine / May Altar

Gach bhlian bíonn altóir again sa scoil le haghaidh mí Bealtaine . Every year Scoil Bhríde creates a beautiful May altar. It can be seen just inside the main door. The children bring in wild flowers and the remainder of their garden daffodils and these are used to decorate our school altar. The prayer Sé do Bheatha a Mhuire is also added to our daily prayers. If at all possible homes might create their own altar and a copy of the prayer is enclosed.

Tabhair aire gach duine.

Take care, Le meas

Máire

**Cúla4 ar Scoil**  
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Téama na seachtaine: Plainéad an Domhain sa Spás

**Dé Luain**

- DRÁMAÍOCHT - Mím/Searáidí (Naionáin - R2)
- MATA - (R3 - R6)
- GAEILGE Ó BHÉAL - (R3 - R6)

**Dé Máirt**

- GAEILGE Ó BHÉAL - (Naionáin - R2)
- TÍREOLAÍOCHT - (R3 - R6)
- MATA - (Naionáin - R2)
- LÉITHEOIREACHT - Greannáin (R3 - R6)

**Dé Céadaoin**

- LÉITHEOIREACHT - (Naionáin - R2)
- MATA - (R3 - R6)
- CEOL - (Naionáin - R6)
- EOLAÍOCHT - (Naionáin - R3)

**Déardaoin**

- MATA 2 - (Naionáin - R2)
- SCÍBHNEOIREACHT - (R3 - R6)
- GAEILGE - Dúlra (Naionáin - R2)
- EALAÍN - (R3 - R6)

**Dé hAoine**

- SCÍBHNEOIREACHT - (Naionáin - R2)
- EOLAÍOCHT - Fórsaí (R3 - R6)
- CORPOIDEACHAS - (Naionáin - R2)
- OSPS - Cairdeas & Iomáiocht (R3 - R6)

Téama na seachtaine seo chugainn: Caitheamh Aimsire



# ACTION CALENDAR: MEANINGFUL MAY 2020



MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

"Start Where You Are. Use What You Have."

Do What You Can" ~ Arthur Ashe



4 Focus on what you can do rather than what you can't do

5 Send friends a photo of a time you all enjoyed together

6 Take a step towards one of your life goals, however small

7 Let someone you love know how much they mean to you

1 Take a minute to remember what really matters to you and why

2 Do something meaningful for someone you really care about

3 Reconnect with nature today, even if you're stuck indoors

11 What are your most important values? Use them today

12 Be grateful for the little things, even in difficult times

13 Today do something to care for the natural world

14 Show your gratitude to people who are helping to make things better

8 Set yourself a kindness mission. Give your time to help others

9 Look out for positive news and reasons to be cheerful today

10 Tell someone about why your favourite music means a lot to you

18 Hand-write a note to someone you love and send them a photo of it

19 Find a way to craft what you are doing to give it more meaning

20 Reflect on what makes you feel really valued and appreciated

21 Share photos of 3 things you find meaningful or memorable

22 Ask a loved one or colleague what matters most to them and why

23 Share an inspiring quote with others to give them a boost

24 Do something special today and revisit it in your memory tonight

25 Give your time to help a project or charity you care about

26 Recall three things you've done that you are really proud of

27 Today link your decisions and choices to your purpose in life

28 Tell someone about an event in your life that was really meaningful

29 Think about how your actions make a difference for others

30 Find three good reasons to be hopeful about the future

31 Look up at the sky. Remember we are all part of something bigger

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS



[www.actionforhappiness.org](http://www.actionforhappiness.org)

31 actions to look after ourselves and each other as we face this global crisis together

Keep Calm · Stay Wise · Be Kind

Sé do bheatha, a Mhuire,  
 atá lán de ghrásta,  
 Tá an Tiarna leat.  
 Is beannaithe thú idir mhná,  
 Agus is beannaithe toradh do  
 bhroinne, Íosa.  
 A Naomh-Mhuire, a Mháthair Dé,  
 guigh orainn na peacaigh,  
 anois, agus ar uair ár mbáis.  
 Amen.

