



# Nuachtlitir Scoil Bhríde

Uimhir 5 Dec 2019 / Nollaig 2019

## Notaí Pobail Scoile/School Community Notes

Dátaí ag Teacht Aníos

Nollaig/Dec

**Saoire na Nollaig/ Christmas Holidays** *Beidh an scoil ag dúnadh i gcomhair saoire na Nollaig, Aoine an 20ú Nollaig ag 12.00pm.* We will close on Friday the 20th of December at 12.00pm for the Christmas break. The bus service has been arranged to collect children that day at 12.00pm. As in previous years, we ask that personal technical devices are not taken to school on our last day. Children are allowed to bring two treats to school for their lunch on that day. We will reopen on Monday the 6th January 2020.

**Boscaí Smaointí/ Thoughts Box** Our new 'thoughts box' located near the office, where the children may drop their thoughts into the box. Both Múinteoirí Deirdre and Catherine will read the various thoughts and in turn chat to the child in question. We hope that a chat will ease any worries or situations they encounter in school life and all will be helped to be put right.

**Polasaí Riarachán Leighis/ Administration of Medicine Policy** *Dé réir ár bpolasaí Riarachán Leighis caithtear foirmeacha againn gach blian scoile.* Administration of Medicine requests and the associated paperwork need to be re-submitted every school year. If you have not submitted the relevant paperwork please do so at your earliest convenience. In the case of serious medical conditions we would invite parents to address the staff at one of our staff meetings. A hard copy of the policy and forms are available in the office. The policy and forms can be downloaded from the school website.

**Liathróid Láimhe/ Handball** *Maith sibh ar fad a pháistí is le Orla agus Cian.* Well done to our Olympic Handball players who did so well in their matches in Knocknacarra recently. Our girls team qualified for the County finals. Their hard work paid off, thank you to Orla and Cian for their lunchtime training sessions. They came second in the finals. We are very proud of them and the sportsmanship they displayed on the day. We know that they played their hearts out. Maith sibh chailíní.

**Damhsa Gaelach/ Irish dancing classes** New term for Irish dancing classes recommences in the Áras on Friday 17th of January. 12 week term costs €60.00 for full term, €30 for half term.

**Garda Vetting** *Má tá sé igceist agat páirt a glacadh in aon rud le rang do pháiste agus é/í ar scoil tá sé fíor tábhachtach Garda vetting a bheith déanta agat.* A reminder to parents that it is vital to be Garda Vetted in order to take part in any activity involving your child's class. Please pick up a Garda Vetting form in the front office and return it to the school. Parents must be vetted in order to take part in all school activities.

**MindUp** *Gach lá tá gach rang is glacadh páirt sa clár Mindup.* This is an evidence based programme from the Hawn Foundation which is designed to foster emotional and social learning, by enhancing concentration in the classroom through 2 minutes mind breaks. The Mindup programme teaches and encourages adults and children to learn about how their brain works and how to find a calm part of the day to focus successfully on their work. Parents received their second information session this term and staff here also received their final training session.

*Lae. Saoire / Christmas Holidays leath lá naíonáin @ 11:30 all other pupils @ 12pm*

**Eanair / Jan**

Scoil oscailte / School Open 6/1/2020

**9/1/2020—17/1/2020** Cultural exchange with Oriental English School, Zibo, China (R3)

**Gratitude month**

**Healthy Eating month**

**20/1/2020 Clár Bia Slántiúil/ Food Dudes**

**21/1/2019**

**Barnardos Internet Safety Talk** in classrooms R3-6

**Barnardos Internet safety talk Parents evening 7:30pm at school**

**Catholic Schools Week**

**27/1/2020—**

**Cros Bhríde/ Grandparents Day**

## Clárú/Registration

**Clárú/Registration** Tá sé fíor-thábhachtach má tá sé i gceist agat nó aon duine den chlann, do leanbh a chuir chuig Bóin Dé nó Scoil Bhríde clarú linn is feidir. It is very important to register your child if you or a family member wish to send their child to Bóin Dé or Scoil Bhríde this coming September. Registration forms are available in the front office. We would be very grateful if you would inform any family living near you, who has an interest in sending their child to Scoil Bhríde next year, to contact the school.

## CEOLDRAMA NA NOLLAIG / CHRISTMAS MUSICAL

*Searlaí agus an Mhonarcha Seaclaíde / Charlie and the Chocolate Factory—Wow! Bhí an oíche ag gach duine. Rinne na rangannaí an obair roimh an oíche sin. Go raibh míle maith agaibh as bhur tacaíocht ar an oíche.*

What a night! We had an absolute ball performing on the night. A huge amount of work was done by all of the classes prior to show night. We want to thank everyone for coming on the night and supporting our musical. So many people helped us put the show together.

It has been an exciting adventure harnessing all of the creativity in our school to produce our Christmas show. The show would not have been possible without the support of Cairde Scoil Bhríde, parent volunteers, Bruach Thoir and the creativity of the pupils and staff of Scoil Bhríde. Our parent helpers Mary Lee (Set) and set builders Joe Healy, John Roche, Christy McLoughlin, Pheilim Conway, and Michael McNena. Thank you also to Willie Campbell for providing the sound system. Míle buíochas to Múinteoir Treasa & Caitriona as they co-ordinated the Ceoldrama and to all of the teachers for making a whole school musical possible.

Thank you to all of the parents who have taken the time to give us feedback on the show, it has been overwhelmingly positive and we are delighted that so many of you enjoyed the show.

The stars of the show were the pupils and they were terrific! We hope that they have a great Christmas break because they all worked very hard this term. Maith sibh!

## Leabhar Miniúchár / Compassionate Books

It may be hard at times to explain and speak to children in regard the loss of a loved one, being true to oneself, dealing with bullies or even their body. The school has a number of books that you may find helpful and these can be borrowed for use and returned to the school afterwards. Right & Wrong & being strong. (A kids guide)

- One caring kid. (A book about you and what kindness can do)
- Keeping School cool. ( A kids guide to handling school problems)
- My body is special.
- Standing up to Peer Pressure (A guide to being true to you)
- When Mom or Dad dies (A Book of comfort for kids)
- Bye-Bye Bully (A kids guide for dealing with Bullies)
- Help is there for facing fear!
- Time out for Technology (A kids guide to unplugging and having food)
- Growing into a family (A kids guide to living in a Blended Family)
- Making a boring day better ( A kids guide to battling the blahs)
- Happy to be me (a kids book about self-esteem)

# Cairde Scoil Bhríde

*Ba maith le Cairde Scoil Bhríde buíochas a ghabháil leis na tuismitheoirí go léir a chabhraigh leo ina ngníomhaíochtaí tionsaithe airgid i mbliana. Cairde Scoil Bhríde Chairperson Quentin Gargan would like to thank all the parents who have helped with and supported them so far this year. Cairde Scoil Bhríde work in line with the guidelines provided by the National Parents Council. If you are representing a class group or would like to represent a class group it is important to inform Quentin in the new year.*

## Beannachtaí na Nollaig

*Tá an Nollag bualite linn agus téarma a haon nach mór thart. Bhí téarma an-ghóthach againn anseo i Scoil Bhríde agus ba mhaith linn ár buíochas a ghabháil libh as ucht bhur dtacaíocht agus bhur gcomhoibriú I dtaobh gach rud a bhíonn ag tarlú sa scoil.*

Christmas is almost here and we have come to the end of a very busy and active first term. We would like to thank you all for your continued support and co-operation and remind you that we appreciate your time given to the school since September.

Cairde Scoil Bhríde have also had a very busy téarma a haon. We would like to thank the new committee. Quintin Gargan (Chairperson), and all of you who lent the committee a hand with the various events organised for the school. Scoil Bhríde thank you for your continued support.

*Le cúpla mí anuas, tá gaolta le páistí agus múintir na scoile imithe ar slí na firinne. Over the past year a number of families in Scoil Bhríde have lost a loved one. It is a hard time of year to suffer a loss. We would like you to know that we are thinking of you and that you are in our prayers. Go ndéanna Dia grasta ar a gcuid anamacha ar fad.*

*Tá siúl againn go mbeidh Nollaig suain sona agus sábháilte agaibh go léir. We wish everyone a happy, peaceful, and most of all, a safe Christmas, and we will see you all in the New Year!*

*Nollaig Shona daoibh ar fad.*

Tá soillse na Nollag ag loinnriú le bua,  
O Cheart Lár na cathrach go huaigneas a' tuath  
Tá coinnéal na Nollag san fhuinneog 'na suí,  
Ag fáiltiú roimh Mhuire, a theacht chun a tí

'The lights of Christmas are shining bright  
From the centre of the city to the quiet of the country  
The Christmas Candles are sitting in the windows  
Welcoming Mary to their homes'

Soilse na Nollag by Altan

