



Nuacht Litir

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Meán Fómhair (September) 2022



We are now back in school for more than a month, so everybody is well settled into the school routine. We would like especially to welcome our 19 Junior Infants who all seem to be very happy in their school surroundings. We wish all our pupils a happy, fulfilling and safe school year.

We welcome to our staff Ms. Aisling Boyle who is teaching in Rang a Ceathair and welcome back to Ms. Mary Whelan who is teaching in Rang a hAon and a Dó. We also welcome new pupils Peter, Conor, Charlie, Niall, James, Fiadh and Alannah. Go n-éirí leo go léir!

It was a busy summer here in school with the installation of a new sensory room, outdoor play area and playground fence. We plan to develop the outdoor play area further in the coming year and we hope that parents and the wider community will support the school in our efforts.

We are all looking forward to the year ahead and thank you all again for your continued support.

Niall Spain

Covid-19

Please remember to keep your child home if they are unwell or experiencing symptoms of Covid-19. The best way to keep all viruses out of school is to stay at home if you are unwell and until your symptoms have substantially resolved for 48 hours. Please follow current public health advice available at

<https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/3361b-public-health-updates/>

DATES FOR CONFIRMATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

- ❖ Confirmation will take place in St. Joseph's Church, Ballinagar, on Friday March 10th 2023 at 2.30 pm.
- ❖ First Holy Communion will take place in St. Joseph's Church, Ballinagar on Saturday May 20th 2023 at 11.30am.



Champions Galore!

Huge congratulations to all our local winning teams and heroes in the recent week. We have been inundated with cup visits and it has been an absolute joy to behold. Congratulations to our very own Thea Farrell and the Killeigh girls' soccer team on becoming All Ireland Under 12 Community Games Champions. What a magnificent achievement for these bunch of girls! A big well done also to Oisín and Fionn Doherty who competed in swimming events in Limerick. We are all very proud of you!



Ballinagar GAA – Junior Champions

Massive congratulations to Ballinagar GAA on a joyous and historic win over Kilcormac. It was fantastic to see so many of our past pupils representing our club with such pride and passion. There were wonderful scenes of celebration at the final whistle. Well done to all involved!



Senior Champions

Huge congratulations to our own Mr. McNamee and the Rhode Senior team on a momentous victory over Tullamore. We hope to see the Dowling cup arrive in the coming weeks! Well done Mr. McNamee on your great success.

St. Sinchill's Camogie

This week we had a visit from St. Sinchill's camogie team who visited with their winning Intermediate cup, inspiring our young hurlers and camogie players of the future. Well done and congratulations to St. Sinchill's on their great victory.



Our boys' & girls' teams are taking part in the Cumann na mBunscol Autumn competitions. All involved have shown great commitment and represented the school with pride & honour.

It's that time of year again! No uniform day will be Friday October 28th. It is traditional now that children come to school in Halloween costume. We also ask for a donation to charity. This year any proceeds will be given to the local St. Vincent de Paul. Dressing in costume and offering a donation is voluntary.



MISSION MONTH

Children have been given an October Mission Month calendar which has a daily task for them to complete if they wish. The activities encourage prayer, kindness, sharing, love and respect for others.

Mission Month Activity Calendar 2022

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Rang a Sé Buachaillí: Stephen Conway, Tomás Cassidy, Tom Dunne, Colm McAleer

Rang a Sé Cailíní: Ellie May Finlay, Katie Molloy, Amy Minnock, Thea Farrell

Rang a Céig Buachaillí: Joe Daly, Donnacadh Molloy, Seán McConnell, Cathal Cuskelly

Rang a Céig Cailíní: Alyssa Harte, Nora Flynn, Muireann Lacy, Emmi Hughes

Rang a Ceathair Buachaillí: Enda Norris, Adam Young, Billy Mann, Alex Stafford

Rang a Ceathair Class Cailíní: Alanna Bayliss, Evie Brown,
Anna Crombie, Mia Mooney

Rang a Trí Buachaillí: Jack Byrne, Kayden Mannion, Charlie Farrell, Liam Mann

Rang a Trí Cailíní: Kate Minnock, Fiadh Cuskelly, Ella Mae Murphy Moore, Ciara Lynam

Briseadh Lár Téarma don Oíche Shamhna

The school will be closed from Monday October 31st to Friday November 4th for mid-term.

Parents' Association

The Parents' Association are holding an introductory meeting on Tuesday October 4th at 8pm in the school. The purpose of the meeting is to introduce to the Parents' Association and explain the work that we do, in supporting the development and education of your child and the fundraising activity to enable that support.