



@Gaelscoilriada

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Nuacht Litir Meán Fómhair

A THUISMITHEOIRÍ/CHAOMHNÓIRÍ

Beatha agus sláinte! Seo chugaibh an nuacht is deireanaí ó Ghaelscoil Ria

We are delighted to see all the children settle happily back into school life. As always, the month of September was extremely busy month here in Gaelscoil Riada.

Our management team this year consists of:

Maeve Ní Fhlaithearta -Príomhoide Gníomhach

Elaine Ní Dhónaill- Leas Phríomhoide Gníomhach

Neasa Nic Fhlannacha- Post Freagrach

Marcus Ó Fátharta- Post Freagrach

An Ghaeilge

Tá sár-iarracht a dhéanamh ag na páistí an Ghaeilge a labhairt ar scoil agus tá muid chomh brodíúil astu.

Following the Summer break, the children are once again totally immersed in teanga na Gaeilge and they are thriving!

To incentivise and reward labhairt na Gaeilge ar scoil we are implementing a sticker system on yard which is working a treat. You might see your child come home with a '❤na Gaeilge' sticker!

In addition to this, we have recently introduced a classroom-based reward system called **School Dojo** where the children can gain points for their class by speaking Irish on yard and throughout the school. This is a wonderful whole-class approach to promote the Irish language where they work together to gain prized dojo for rewards.



The school's Covid Response Plan is working well, and we appreciate the efforts you are all making to keep our school a healthy and safe place for pupils, staff and parents. We recently sent out an email from the HSE containing the most up-to-date guidelines for parents. Please follow the advice and keep your child at home if they are displaying any symptoms or are feeling unwell.



Wellbeing continues to be a priority for our school community, and to this end, we are placing a strong emphasis on our SPHE programme this term. This year we are following the Bí Sábhailte/Stay Safe programme and our Misneach/Walk Tall programme. We hope to promote wellbeing by organising a Seachtain Follaine/ Wellbeing Week shortly. *Information to follow.*



Cúrsaí Ceoil: Múinteoir Síle is looking forward to starting up our seisiúin ceol once again. Children who play music are encouraged to bring their instruments to school and enjoy a session together. Classes and dates to be finalised.

CÚRSAÍ TEICNEOLAÍOCHTA:

Email: Your class teacher can be contacted at name@gaelscoilriada.com. Please keep in regular contact with your child's teacher if you have any concerns or questions. A quick email explaining absenteeism should be sent to class teacher.

We are delighted to have Martha Fahy back teaching **Coding with Scratch** to our pupils again. Scratch enables children to think creatively, to reason systematically and to work collaboratively. The children love acquiring these essential skills for life in the 21st century!

Moreover, the children enjoy using the school laptops and tablets for various lessons during the school day. We are investing in additional interactive whiteboards for the classrooms which will, no doubt, enhance teaching and learning.

Sábháilteacht sa gCarrchlóis

Public Carpark: Some parents have expressed concerns over the safety of the carpark at the entrance to the school campus. We have informed the gardaí of our concerns. However, this is a very busy public carpark and as such it is vital that all pedestrians and drivers exercise extra vigilance during school pick-ups and drop-off times. Please be mindful not to obstruct either the bus stop or the entrances to the school grounds.



Croí na Scoile: This month, in line with our multi-denominational ethos, the children have been learning about the holiest day of the year in Judaism, Yom Kippur. In English, Yom Kippur is translated to 'Day of Atonement' and happens 10 days after Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year.

CRUINIÚ TUISMITHEOIR /MÚINTEOIR

Parent teacher meetings will be held on **Wednesday and Thursday the 17th and 18th November**. Times will be sent out closer to these dates. As always, if you wish to speak to your class teacher prior to this meeting, please email them directly to organise a suitable time.

AN CURACLAM TEANGA:

School Staff will engage in training based on the new Primary Language Curriculum on **Friday 19th November**. The Department has sanctioned a **half day** to be set aside for this training. Pupils will go home early that day.

Dáta: 19ú Samhain (Dé hAoine)

Am: 11.15 - Naí. Bheaga / Mhóra and siblings

11.25 - Rang 1, 2 & 3

11.30- Rang 4, 5 & 6

Seachtain Mhata: Our school has registered to take part in Maths Week 2021. The children will engage in maths activities and games that are fun and educational.

Taithí oibre: Cuireann muid fáilte mhór roimh Lisa atá ar thaithí oibre linn ó Choláiste Mhuire gan Smal. Tá sí ag obair go dian le Múinteoir Gráinne i rang na Naíonáin.

Dea-scéal: Comhghairdeas le múinteoir Tomás Ó Fátharta ar bhreith a n-iníon Líle. Guíonn muid sonas agus séan orthu.

RANG 6 SÍLE

D'fhreastail Rang 6 Múinteoir Síle ar seimineár gréasáin le David Walliams ar an 20ú Méan Fhómair. D'inis David Walliams dúinn faoin slí a chuaigh sé isteach sa scríbhneoireacht agus mhinigh sé dúinn an bealach atá aige na carachtair ar fad sna scéalta a chruthú. Léigh David Walliams cúpla sliocht as a chuid scéalta dúinn agus léigh sé cúpla leathnach dá scéal nua 'Mega Monster' chomh maith! Thaithin sé go mór linn!!

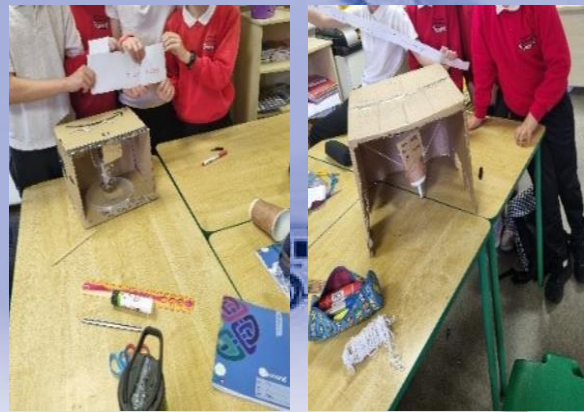
Rang 6 joined a webinar in September with David Walliams. We heard about how he creates his stories. Mr. Walliams told us about the characters in his stories, and how they are inspired by ordinary people in his life. We were delighted to hear him read a few chapters from his favourite books as well as an extract from his new book 'Mega Monster'.



Seismagraf

Bhí muid ag obair go crua ag cruthú ár gcuid seismagraf féin cúpla seachtain ó shin mar chuid de STEM. Chuir muid plean le chéile ionas go raibh an seismagraf ábalta feidhmiú i gceart. Thug muid isteach na hearraí ar scoil agus chuir muid le chéile iad. Bhí orainn cinntiú go raibh an seismagraf ag oibriú i gceart. Bhí an-chraic againn ag obair le chéile. Seo cúpla pictiúr dúinn ag obair go crua.

We created seismographs in our STEM lesson recently. In groups we worked hard to research and create our seismograph. We had to make sure we followed the criteria, which included designing a seismograph and making sure it was no taller than 40cm. We had lots of fun creating seismographs and we are now ready to measure shaking from an earthquake.



RANG 5 AGUS 6 PAUL

Is léir do chách go bhfuil sár-iarrachta déanta ag na daltaí i rith an chéad mhí ar ais ar scoil. Tá na daltaí tar éis dul i ngleic le hábhair dhifriúla i rith na míosa. Rinne na daltaí taighe ar ainmí i mbaol agus chruthaigh siad tionscnaimh iontacha. Chuir na daltaí tús le *Spellings For Me* ar líne. Tá go leor ealaíne déanta acu chomh maith. Chruthaigh na daltaí ealaín spéisiúil bunaithe ar obair Andy Warhol, Kusama agus Bridget Riley. Bhreathnaíomar ar chultúr Gaelach agus cluichí Gaelacha sa rang. Bhain na daltaí an-sult as corr agus seachain na liathróidí i rith ceachtanna corpoideachais.

The pupils have made a great effort since returning to school and have settled in well. We have examined a wide range of subjects and topics. The pupils researched an endangered animal and created fantastic projects. They are also working hard online as they started *Spellings For Me*. We have done a lot of art in the class. The pupils created interesting artwork based on the works of Andy Warhol, Kusama and Bridget Riley. We examined Irish culture and sports in class. The pupils have also enjoyed themselves during PE lessons playing rounders and dodgeball.

RANG 5 CAITRÍONA

Tá Rang a 5 ag obair go dian. Léamar an scéal Deirdre agus Naoise. Thaitin an scéal go mór leo. Bhíomar ag foghlaim faoi na Ceiltigh freisin. Cathain a tháinig siad go hÉirinn agus cad a thug siad leo. Thosaíomar ag léamh "The Boy in the Striped pyjamas. Tá roinnt ealaín le feiceáil ar Teams. Rinne na páistí an-jab.



Rang 5 are working very hard all month. We really enjoyed reading the story 'Deirdre agus Naoise' together. We are now reading the novel 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas'. During our history lessons we learned all about the Celts' arrival in Ireland and the impact they had

on our culture. Keep an eye on our Class Teams account for photos of art and class work.

RANG 4 TOMÁS

Dia dhaoibh ar fad,

Fáilte is fiche ar ais ar scoil. Tá obair iontach déanta ag Rang a 4 le cúpla seachtain anuas. D'fhoghlamar faoina Ilchríocha difriúla atá ar domhan agus rinne gach bord tionscnamh beag faoi Ilchríoch áirithe. Bhailigh na daltaí píosaí eolais, a bhí thar a bheidh súimíuil, agus fuair muid deis na ríomhairí scoile a úsáid chun taighde a dhéanamh agus ár bpíosaí a chlósáibh. D'fhoghlamar ar fad óna chéile (múinteoir Tomás san áireamh). D'fhéachamar ar an bhFéile Giúdach Yom Kippur. Bhí go leor réamheolas ag na daltaí faoi agus rinne na siad "shofar" as cré mar chuid don ealaín. Tá na daltaí ag obair go díograsach ó tháinig muid ar ais agus tá muid ag súil go mór leis an scoil bhliain amach romhainn. Maith sibh Rang a 4. 😊

Rang 4 have been very busy this month. We identified the 7 Continents of the World; During group work the children worked on projects based on their Continent of choice. We used the school laptops to do our research and to document our finding. We learned about Yom Kipper, the holiest

day of the Jewish year. We created the 'Shofar' horn using clay during our Art lesson.

RANG 4 RÓNÁN

Dia Dhaoibh,

Faoi láthair na huairé tá Rang 4 ag obair ar thionscadal Eolaíochta "Crainn na hÉireann". Tá muid ag féachaint ar chrainn duillsilteach (deciduous) inár gceantar go háirithe. Le cúpla seachtain anuas tá na páistí tar éis dulleoga agus síolta éagsúla a thabhairt isteach ar scoil, a bhailigh said sa gceantar chun cur leis an bord Dúlra sa rang. Le cúnamh Dé tá sé ar intinn ag an dá Rang 4 cuairt a thabhairt ar Choill Mhuine Mhéa an tseachtain seo chugainn. Is breá leis na páistí an dúlra agus gach a bhaineann leis.

Currently Rang 4 are working on a science project "Crainn na hÉireann". We are focusing on deciduous trees in the community. For the past couple of weeks, the children have been bringing in leaves and seeds that they have collected from home. These have been put on display on our Nature Table. Weather permitting, we hope to pay a visit to Monivea Woods next week with Múinteoir Tomás's 4th class.

RANG 3 LOUISE

Tá Rang 3 ag socrú isteach ar an scoil arís agus ag baint taitneamh as an obair.

Rang a 3 are settling back into school and are enjoying the work!

Seo cúpla rud atá ar bhun againn:

- Ealaín álainn: Rinne muid staidéar ar an ealaíontóir cáiliúil Pablo Picasso. After studying his works, Rang a 3 created self-portraits in the style of Pablo Picasso.
- DEAR Time: We are enjoying our reading time DEAR (Drop Everything and Read) for 10 minutes each day to improve on English reading and literacy skills.
- Tionscnamh staire 'Mo Scéal go dtí Seo': Thaitin an tionscnamh staire seo go mór leis an rang. The children created timelines of their lives so far using old photographs, with captions and dates.

RANG 2 GRÁINNE

Bíonn Lá Náisiúnta na gCrann ar siúl ar an gcéad lá de mhí Dheireadh Fómhair. Mar sin, d'fhoghlaim Rang a Dó go leor faoi chrainn na hÉireann, a gcuid duilleoga agus a dtorthaí an tseachtain seo caite. Fuair siad amach faoi chrainn duillsilteacha agus crainn síorghlas chomh maith. Tá turas chuig Coill Monivea pleanáilte acu chun siúlóid dúlra a dhéanamh agus beagán a fhoghlaim faoi stair na háite chomh maith.

The 1st of October is National Tree Day and Rang a Dó have been learning about Ireland's trees. They have learnt about evergreen and deciduous trees. They are planning a nature walk in Monivea Woods to learn more about the trees, to gather some leaves and to find out about some of the history in the area.

RANG 1 GEARÓID

Bhí Rang 1 ag obair go chrua an mhí seo. Tá muid ag baint an-sasamh as an rang códáil le Mártha, is aoibhinn linn a bheith ag obair ar na ríomhairí. Chuamar ar siúlóid síos go dtí an pháirc spraoí. Bhí an-spórt againn.

Rang 1 have been very working very hard this month. They really enjoy using the school laptops and learning coding with Martha. As part of our Wellbeing programme, we went on a lovely walk to our local playground where the children engaged in both structured and imaginative play.

NAÍONÁIN MHÓRA MELISSA

Siúlóid Dúlra go Rinville.

Chuaigh Naíonáin Mhóra ar Siúlóid Dúlra I bPáirc Rinville an mhí seo chun comharthaí An Fhómhair a fhéiceáil. Ní raibh an aimsir iontach ach bhain na Naíonáin an-taitneamh agus craic as. Thug muid cuairt ar Teach na Síoga ar fad, siúlóid deas tríd an coill ag bailiú duilleoga agus timpeall ar an loch. D'ith muid a gcuid lón ar an bhfoscadh agus ansin bhí an-spraoi acu sa bPáirc Spraoi ann! Míle buíochas go Mary Ellen a tháinig 😊 tá pictiúirí ar Teams Naíonáin Mhóra!

Naíonáin Mhóra visited Rinville Woods this month to do an Autumn Nature Walk. Despite the wet day, the children thoroughly enjoyed their adventure, from the exciting bus ride to the fairy garden and pond, and through the woodland where they collected fallen leaves. Lunch was had within the 'magic' tunnel of the páirc spraoi!!.

Many thanks to Mary Ellen who came with us 😊
Photos are available on Naíonáin Mhóra's Team.



NAÍONÁIN BHEAGA GRÁINNE

Tá na Naíonáin ag foghlaim go leor faoin Scoil. Le linn Aistear bíonn seans acu ról an mhúinteora, príomhoide, Rúnaí agus páiste a ghlacadh sa stáisiúin Rólghlacadh. Tugann sé seo seans dóibh an teanga nua atá foghlamtha acu a chleactadh. Tá siad freisin ag foghlaim go leor scileanna sa Chorp Oideachas. Conas mála pónaire a chaitheamh i gceart. Tá siad ag baint an-taitneamh as. Tá grianghraif curtha ar Teams agam agus is fiú 'notifications' a chur ar siúl ionas nach gcaifidh tú aon rud.

During Aistear(language learning through play), the children are learning lots of new words and phrases based on the theme of An Scoil. They each get an opportunity to take on a character in school during roleplay. They really enjoy this and are using all the new language they have learned over the past few weeks. They are also learning how to throw a beanbag using their underarm throw, trying to get it into a target or towards a partner. It is worth turning on your notifications on Teams so as not to miss any new photos I post or other messages that relate to your child's learning.

Tús maith leath na hoibre

Slán go fóill.