



@Gaelcoilriada



## DataBiz Eolas

Beidh muid ag seoladh Aip scoile nua, **DataBiz Eolas**, an mhí seo. Úsáidfimid an aip chun cumarsáid a dhéanamh lenár dtuismitheoirí. Is féidir le tuismitheoirí an aip a íoslódáil ar an bhfón.

We will shortly launch our new school app; **DataBiz Eolas**. This app may be downloaded to your phone and is compatible with both I-phone and Android.

As parents, through this app, you can:

- receive messages from the school
- receive documents in electronic format from the school
- view the school calendar
- access your child's attendance record, and inform the school of the reasons for absences
- view your child's school reports and standardised scores
- view and pay any school bills
- book a parent-teacher meeting
- grant or withhold permission for your child to participate in certain school activities or tours

# Nuacht Litir Bealtaine

A Thuismitheoirí, a chairde.

Fáilte romhaibh chuig nuachtlitir Mí Bealtaine.

**Tá laethanta geala, fada an tSamhraidh linn.**

We are all delighted to see the long bright summer days return. If they choose, children may wear the school's summer uniform between now and the end of the school year. This consists of plain black shorts, the school's white polo style t-shirt and the school tracksuit top when needed. Due to the unpredictable weather, please also ensure your child has a light raincoat in their bag. Sun cream and extra bottles of water are advisable.



Hopefully we'll have plenty fun and sunshine over the coming weeks.

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Maeve & Foireann na Scoile





**Green-Schools**

## COISTE GLAS/ GREEN SCHOOLS PROGRAMME FOR MAY AND JUNE:

We are currently in the first year of our 2-year cycle for our Green Flag application. The theme is Biodiversity and if we are successful, it will be our 5<sup>th</sup> Green Flag.

The student committee are working hard at the moment and will continue into next year.

All class levels are bringing the theme of Biodiversity into various lessons, and we hope to really increase awareness of Biodiversity and its importance among the school community.

We also continue to be cognisant of our previous Green Flag themes - Recycling, Energy, Water and Transport/Travel.

Some important upcoming dates for our Green Flag themes are:



Bike Week – May 14<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup>



Cycle on Wednesday  
(COW) – May 18<sup>th</sup>



World Bee Day – May 20<sup>th</sup>



Biodiversity Week – May 23<sup>rd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>



World Environment Day – June 5<sup>th</sup>



World Ocean Day – June 8<sup>th</sup>



**THE NEXT ADVENTURE**

## TRANSITION FROM PRIMARY TO POST-PRIMARY: A GUIDE FOR PARENTS

Tá leabhrán ag Folens a thugann comhairle do thuistí agus páistí le haghaidh an aistriú go meánscoil. Clliceáil ar an nasc thíos.

Folens have developed a practical guide for parents to help support their children with the transition to secondary school, authored by experienced counsellor and teacher Graham Richmond. This guide is available [here](#)

## CIGIRE SCOILE/ SCHOOL INSPECTOR:

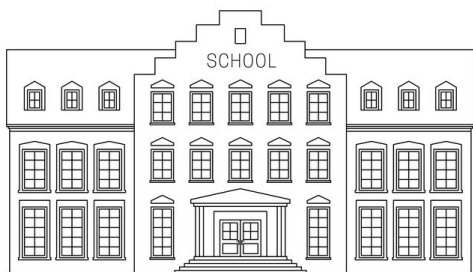
Bhí cuairt cigire againn roimh laethanta saoire na Cásca. Bhí ár gcigire scoile lán sásta linn!!

Our school had an incidental Inspection by the Department's Inspectorate Team on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April, prior to the Easter holidays. The Inspector visited classes from Naíonáin to Rang 6 and engaged with both the children and the class teachers. His feedback, in general, was very positive, and he referred to the warm atmosphere and the standard of spoken Gaeilge in the school.



## BORD BAINISTÍOCHTA / BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

At the most recent meeting the following items were discussed: School finances, enrolment and staffing, The new language curriculum, school self evaluation, and the new school building.



## GAELSCOLAÍOCHT CAMPUS

We are very excited by the planned development of the GAELSCOLAÍOCHT campus to include Gaelscoil Riada and Coláiste an Eachreidh.

With our permanent location secured, final touches are being added to the planning application for our new school building. Design plans are progressing well and are currently being ratified by The Department of Education, GRETB and An Foras Patrúnachta.



Coinnigh súil ar suíomh idirlín na scoile [www.gaelscoilriada.com](http://www.gaelscoilriada.com) for photographs and frequent updates of all school activities.

## FOIREANN DÍOSPÓIREACHTA

Bhí an-rath ag an bhfoireann díospóireachta i mbliana. Bhuaigh siad comórtas an chontae agus bhí an bua acu sa chéad bhabhta den gcomórtas naisiúnta. Chuir níos mó ná 300 scoil isteach ar an gcomórtas i mbliana. D'éirigh leis an bhfoireann dul ar aghaidh go dtí cluiche ceathrú ceannais na hÉireann!! Ansin, tar éis comórtas an-dian, tháinig deireadh lena dturas. Ba cheart go bhfuil na daltaí ar fad gur ghlac páirt san ullmhúchán agus sna díospóireachtaí an-bhrodúil as a gcuid iarrachtaí!

We are thrilled to have Rang 5&6 take part in the Concern Primary Debates this year. This was a fantastic opportunity for the pupils to develop awareness of global issues and to improve their debating skills.


The school debating team had a very successful year winning the county championship and the first round of the national stages!!! With over 300 schools participating in this year's

competition, it was an amazing achievement to proceed to the All-Ireland quarter finals, where, after a very close competition, the team's debating journey came to an end.

All of the pupils who participated in research, interviews, practice debates and more should be very proud of their efforts. Maith sibh daltaí Rang 5 agus Rang 6 Múinteoir Paul.

### Turais scoile / School Tours

**More Information to follow from class teacher next week**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
29			1 Rang 3	2 Rang 1	3	4
			8	9 Rang 4 N. Mhóra	10	11
12	13	14 Rang 6	15 Rang 5	16	17	18
19	20	21	22 Rang 2 N. Bheaga	23	24	25



**Dátaí don Dialann (Dates for the Diary  
Bealtaine agus Meitheamh (May and  
June))**



<b>Trialcha Caighdeánaithe Standardised Tests</b>	<b>Naí Mhóra</b>	<b>MIST Gaeilge</b>	17 Bealtaine 24 Bealtaine
	<b>Rang 1-6</b>	<b>English</b>	11 Bealtaine
	<b>Rang 1-6</b>	<b>Gaeilge</b>	18 Bealtaine
	<b>Rang 1-6</b>	<b>Mata</b>	25 Bealtaine
Lá Oscailte Naíonáin Bheaga		Déardaoin 2ú Meitheamh 13.15–14.15	
June Bank Holiday – The school is closed on Friday the 3 <sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June .We will reopen Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> June		Dúnta Aoine 3ú – Máirt 7ú Meitheamh	
Lá pitseámaí / Pyjama Day to help <i>raise funds</i> for UCHG Galway's <b>Paediatric</b> unit	More information <a href="https://galwaysickkids.ie/">https://galwaysickkids.ie/</a>	10 Meitheamh All donations welcome.	
Seachtain Gníomhach & Lá Spórt (Active School Week and Sports Day)		20ú-24ú Meitheamh	
Closing for a half day for Primary Language Curriculum Inservice		Dé hAoine 10ú Meitheamh @ 12	
Ceimniú Rang 6		27ú Meitheamh @11am	
Deireadh an téarma/ End of term		29ú Meitheamh @12	

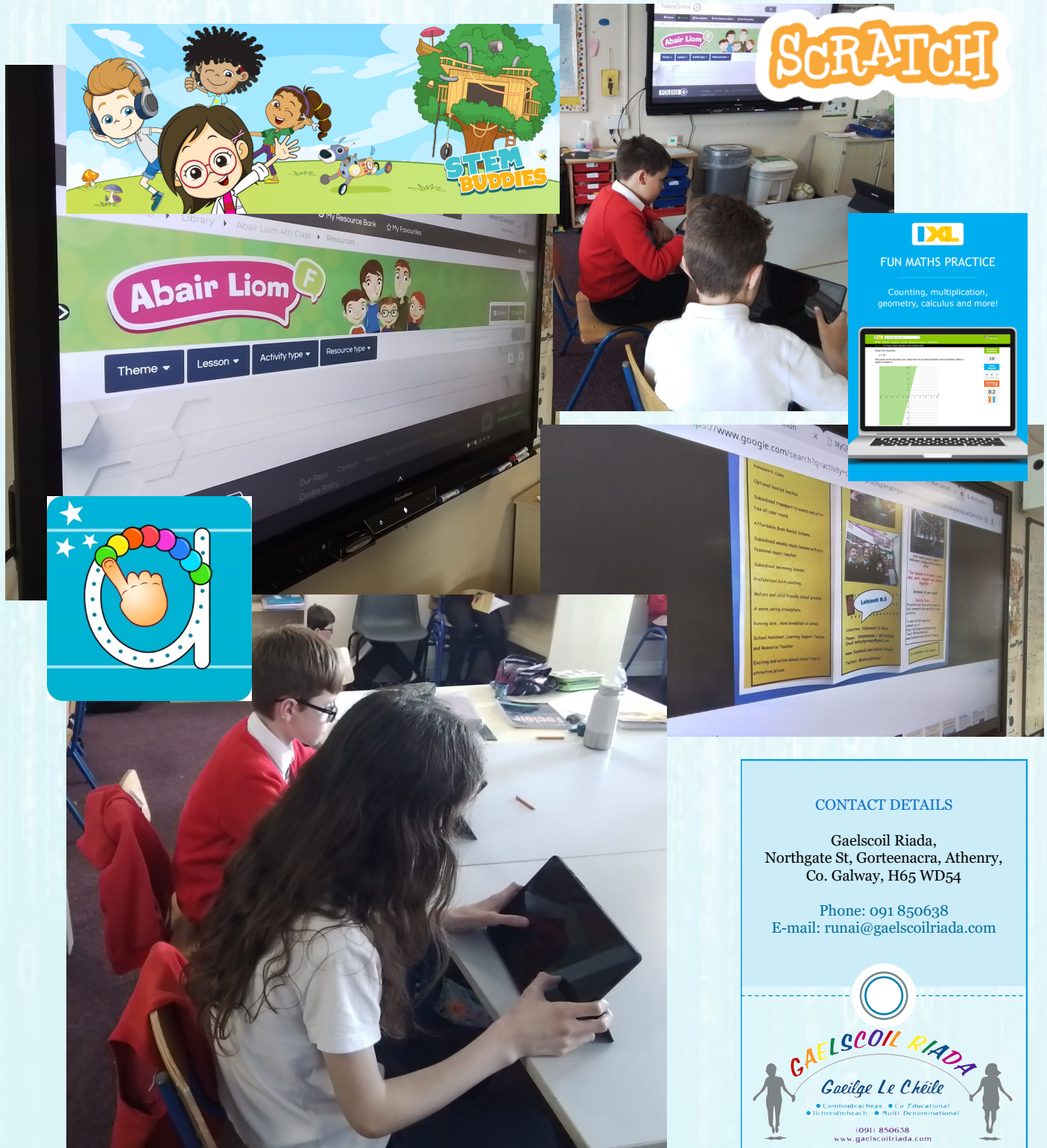




## Teicneolaíocht sa scoil/ ICT in school

We recently purchased an additional 30 tablets to enhance teaching and learning in our school. The pupils really enjoy using these tablets.

We also purchased a further 2 interactive whiteboards-an invaluable classroom tool that will enhance lessons and promote interactive learning in the classroom.



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