



Scoil Mhuire NS, Gortanumera Newsletter



EASTER 2018

County Photos:

County Photos visited the school on January 11th and took the children's school photos.

Peace Proms:

The children took part in the Peace Proms which were held in the Kingfisher Hall, NUI Galway on January 20th. They performed with the over 3,500 children from the Galway Children's Peace Choir alongside the Cross Border Orchestra of Ireland. The conductor was internationally acclaimed Greg Beardsell. Famous soloists, dancers and musicians all made the night really enjoyable. Well done to all involved.

Grandparents Day:

The children invited their grandparents to the school on Thursday 8th, February for Grandparents Day. It was our way of saying "Thank You" for all the wonderful things they do. The children had a prayer service, followed by a chat, tea and biscuits and a few songs. It was a very special day.

Pancake Tuesday:

We all enjoyed lots of lovely pancakes. We topped them with nutella, sugar and lemon....Yummy!

Portumna Credit Union Art Competition:

Congratulations to Ciara Gallagher who got 1st place and Kate Geraghty who got 2nd place in the Portumna Credit Union Art Competition.

Pet Visit:

Darragh McLaughlin and his aunt Lisa brought two cute 10 day old kid goats for a visit to the school. They are from a local goat farm where goat cheese is produced. There was great excitement as the children got to hold and pet them. Lisa told the children all about the life of the goats.

Spar FAI 5 Aside Soccer:

Adam Canning, Rivers Foley, Cian Cox, Cillian Woods, Samuel Madden, Andrew Canning, Séan Geraghty took part in the Boys Spar FAI 5 Aside Soccer and Saoirse Hynes, Aisling Madden, Lily Fahy, Ciara Gallagher, Melissa Finnerty, Caoimhe Dermody, Maeve Harris and Kate Geraghty to part in the Girls FAI 5 Aside Soccer. Both teams went to Shiven Rovers FC Newbridge, Ballygar to take part in the Spar FAI 5 aside soccer tournament. They played really well and did the school proud. They were coached by Ms Watson. Well done to all on their great performances.

Scholastic Book Fair:

We held our annual Book Fair from March 9th – 16th It was open to parents and the children to browse around or purchase books. It raised €330 worth of books for the school library.

Confirmation Preparation Mass:

Congratulations to the children of 5th and 6th class who enrolled for their Confirmation at a special preparation mass in St Brigid's Church, Portumna, on March the 9th

First Holy Communion and Confirmation:

The second class children will make their First Holy Communion on May 20th @ 12pm in Church of the Ascension, Gortanumera and the children in 5th and 6th classes will make their Confirmation on May 12th in St. Brigid's Church, Portumna.

Teachers Courses:

Ms Ryan, Ms Madden and Ms Watson compiled The Child Safety Statement which has been drawn up and the Risk Assessment carried out in accordance with section 11 of the Children First Act 2015 and with the requirement of Chapter 8 of the Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools 2017.

Joe Canning:

The school was invited to Portumna Community School to celebrate the hurling achievements of Joe Canning.



Cake Sale for the Joe Canning UNICEF Fund:

The children of 6th class with Ms Watson held a Cake Sale to raise money for the Joe Canning UNICEF Fund. Thanks to the parents who brought in goodies to sell and everyone who supported the event. It was a great success and €450 was raised for the fund.

Spelling Bee:

Rivers, Adam, Saoirse and Senan took part in the Spelling Bee knock out round. They did extremely well. Saoirse got through to the County Final in Galway on April 10th

Lip Sync Battle:

3rd to 6th classes took part in a Lip Sync Battle. Everyone was brilliant and it was a fantastic show.

Clothes Collection:

Our clothes collection is on-going. If you have any unwanted clothes they would be greatly appreciated.

Website:

Remember to check out our website on www.gortanumerans.ie for regular updates.

Enrolments:

Enrolments are now being taking for the school year 2018/2019.

Easter Holidays:

The school will be closed from March 23rd and re-opens on April 7th for the Easter Holidays.



*We hope you & your families have a very Happy Easter
From all in Scoil Mhuire NS, Gortanumera*

HAPPY EASTER



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