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Tá súil agam go raibh Cáisc deas agaibh. Is deacair a chreidiúnt go bhfuilimid sa téarma deireanach den scoil bhliain seo! I hope you all had a lovely Easter. It's hard to believe we are in the final term of this school year!

### Cad a bhí ag tarlú sa scoil i mí Márta!

Bhíomar an ghnóthach le imeachtaí difriúla sa scoil i mí Márta, bhí na páistí ag cleachtadh Gaeilge sa chlós agus iad ag imirt le chéile. Táimid ag iarraidh níos mó Gaeilge a chloisteáil ar an gclós! We want to hear more Gaeilge on the school playground. If we hear any pupil making a good effort, they are rewarded with a ticket. These tickets are counted gach Dé hAoine and the class can win rewards based on the number of tickets they win each week.

A big go raibh maith agat to the Gardaí Gaeilge from rang 5 and rang 6 who have been busy patrolling the yard during break times. Maith sibh!



Bhí Seachtain na Gaeilge againn 1ú-16ú





### Céilí agus Lá Glas

Chaith na páistí a n-éadaí ghlas do Lá Fhéile Pádraig agus bhí céilí scoile againn sa halla freisin. Bhain na páistí agus na múinteoirí an thaitneamh as Seachtain na Gaeilge.

We had great fun in school during the week of Seachtain na Gaeilge, we had a school Céilí in the hall and everyone took part showing off their dance moves.

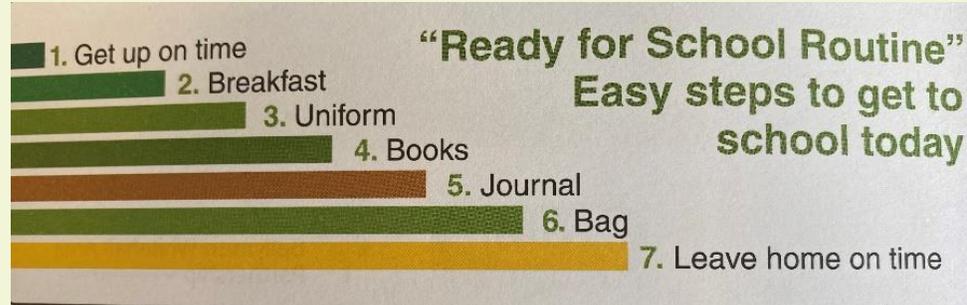
The páistí wore their green clothes to celebrate our *Irish Culture and Heritage*.



## Punctuality/Poncúlacht



Last Term & The Big Attendance Drive!!!



**Tosaíonn an scoil ag 8.30r.n.** Tá an-bhéim againn ar an bponcúlacht sa scoil, tá sé tábhachtach a bheith poncúil ar maidin.

During the month of April/Aibreán we are making a big drive towards improving punctuality and attendance in Gaelscoil Bhaile Munna.

Attendance figures have been understandably low over the last two years due to the Pandemic but we are hoping to get back in line with the national average for attendance over the next few months.

COVID related absences are impacting greatly on attendance figures and as advised by HSE, we must continue to observe risk reduction measures by airing on the side of caution whenever children and staff are displaying symptoms of COVID.

**If your child has any symptoms of COVID-19 please do not send them into school.**

School starts at **8.30am**. We place great emphasis on punctuality in school, it is so important to be on time in the mornings as vital work is being done. Páistí should be in their líne at 8.30am, it is nice for them to come in with their friends in a calm relaxed manner. All children and young people benefit from having a good bedtime and morning routine.

Understandably there will be times when children have to arrive late due to appointments etc., and we do appreciate and encourage your efforts in bringing your child in afterwards whenever this may be possible.

## Tinreamh/Attendance

### Reporting of absences

The school is obliged, by law, to inform Tusla when a pupil is absent for 20 school days in one school year.

**As the school has to fill in the category of absence when informing Tusla**, it is essential that an **email** or note is sent in after every absence explaining it.

Please note if absences are Covid 19-related (we will have all your email notes explaining this and it will be indicated to Tusla.)

**Please see the poster below for guidance.**

**A FEW IMPORTANT POINTS TO REMEMBER REGARDING SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:**

- I should come to school when I am well enough to do so and have no symptoms of COVID or other contagious illnesses.**
- I should come to school when it is “My Birthday” I can celebrate after school or at the weekend.**
- I should come to school if I sleep in. Better late than never!**

**Advice for parents during Covid-19:**

Below are the common and uncommon symptoms of Covid-19. If your child has any **new** onset symptoms **and** feels unwell or seems off form, do not send them to school and contact your GP for advice, if necessary:

- A temperature of 38 degrees Celsius or more
- A new cough
- Loss or changed sense of taste or smell
- Shortness of breath or an existing breathing condition that has become worse
- Fatigue
- Aches or pains
- Sore throat
- Headaches
- Diarrhoea
- Runny or stuffed nose
- Feeling sick or vomiting

For more, see: <https://www2.hse.ie/conditions/covid19/preventing-the-spread/child-returning-to-school-or-childcare/>

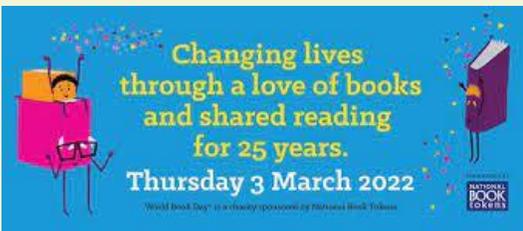
An Roinn Oideachais  
Department of Education



**3ú Márta Lá Domhanda na Leabhar** We celebrated World Book Day on March 3<sup>rd</sup>. The páistí came to school dressed up as their favourite characters from their favourite books. The aim of this event is to encourage children and young people to explore the pleasure of books and reading. It was great to see the huge effort made on the day! Maith sibh!

**Lá Domhanda na Leabhar 3ú Márta**

**Feach ar rang 1 ag ceiliúradh lá na Leabhair.**



**Cotaí/ Coats**

Please remember to label all uniforms, coats and jackets clearly with your child’s name and class on them.

**Please find attached details of a Parenting Programme being run by Young Ballymun**



Combined Poster Parenting.pdf

**Young Ballymun**

Sláintecare.  
**Healthy Communities**

**YOUNG BALLYMUN**  
Promoting Prevention & Early Intervention

**ParentsPlus**  
Supporting Parents & Families

## Ballymun Library

Please note that from **Monday 21st March** Ballymun Library has returned to its pre-Covid hours.

The Library is now open from **10am-8pm (Mon-Thurs)** and **10am-5pm (Fri/Sat)**.

Remember: it's free to join your local library and you can start using some library services even before you pick up your card!

### [How to Join Your Library](#)

Library Resources for Ukrainian Refugees and lots more. An online resource [LOTE for Kids](#) provides storytime in many languages. It has a selection of books in Ukrainian and Russian for younger children. All you need to access LOTE is your Library ticket number.

[Borrowbox](#) also has a fantastic range of digital books and digital audiobooks, including a small selection of Russian-language titles, mostly suited to teenagers and children. They are hoping to have a selection of Ukrainian-language titles to offer to students in the near future. To access [Borrowbox](#), you will need your Library card number and your PIN.

For full information on all our resources and services available for adult and young Ukrainian refugees, please click on the link below.

## Library Resources for Ukrainian Refugees



## Children's Comic Book Club- NEW!!!

**KIDS  
COMIC CLUB**

**First meeting on  
Tuesday 26th April  
at 4:30 PM**

Ask at the desk or email  
[ballmyunlibrary@dublincity.ie](mailto:ballmyunlibrary@dublincity.ie) to book a place

**Ages  
8-12**

**Read comics,  
make friends,  
& draw!**

**Our  
first  
book!**

**DOG MAN**  
DAV PILKEY

**Tá an t-ádh linn go bhfuil dífhibrileoir againn sa scoil!**

**The board of management recently decided to install a defibrillator in the school for the safety of staff and pupils in the school. We are so lucky to have this life saving equipment on the premises!**



**Iomanaíocht/Hurling**

Bionn Liam ó Setanta ag obair leis na páistí sa scoil agus tá siad ag baint an-thaitneamh as!!

Coach Liam from Setanta has been working with the páistí in school every Wednesday and they are really enjoying the training sessions. They have been learning lots of new skills in hurling.

Spórt is spraoi 2022!  
Bigú linn i gCumann Baire Setanta.  
Fáilte mhór ar leith roimh pháistí nua  
Aois ghruipa: 4-14bl - Níl aon trealamh de dhíth.  
Club Beag, Cíol omhór

Foirne Faoi-Aois - 2022			
<b>Nóimleán</b> Contact Clubs: 087 9026415	<b>Faoi 8imeascóth</b> Contact Kieran O'Keefe 086-968 5330	<b>Faoi 9imeascóth</b> Contact Derek Henery 018-303 7799	<b>Faoi 10imeascóth</b> Contact Sarah Butler 086-230197
<b>Cluiche Faoi 12</b> Contact Barry Bresnahan 086-902257	<b>Buiséad Faoi 12</b> Contact Clairín Ó'Fallain 086-922552	<b>Cluiche Faoi 15</b> Contact Gavin Maher 015-747629	<b>Buiséad Faoi 15</b> Contact Gavin Mahony 086-709 6508

Déan Teagmháil leis na Bainisteoirí le haghaidh Amanna Traenáil

**Turasanna Scoile/School Tours**

**Cuireadh chuig cóisír**

Níl cead iad a thabhairt amach sa scoil.



Thankfully this year we are in a position to organise class school tours, your child's class teacher will be in contact with the details over the coming weeks.

Please do not send party invitations into school with your child. Children are not allowed to give them out in class or in school. Please make alternative arrangements outside of school.

## Gaeltacht- Rang 6



Beidh rang 6 ag dul go dtí an Ghaeltacht i mí Bealtaine 24ú-27ú le múinteoir Aisling.

We are currently organising the school tours for next term. Before Covid 19, rang 6 would have gone to the Gaeltacht.

Luckily, we now have the opportunity to do this again during the week of May 24th -27<sup>th</sup>. This is always a great success and the páistí have a fantastic time in Coláiste Ghaoth Dobhair in Donegal. Múinteoir Aisling will be accompanying the children during their stay in the Gaeltacht.

### Grúpa Garraíodóireachta

Beidh grúpa garraíodóireachta á thosnú againn sa scoil do thuismitheoirí i dtéarma a 3. Beidh sé ar siúl gach Luan (am le bheith cinntithe). Is féidir páistí a thabhairt libh. Má tá suim agat, seol téacs chuig Múinteoir Ailbhe ar 085 860 3363.

We're hoping to start a gardening group in the school for parents in term 3. It'll be on every Monday (time tbc). You can bring younger children with you. If interested, contact Múinteoir Ailbhe on **085 860 3363**.



Our Fundraiser -  
Leaflet - Bi fold DL siz



Beidh Lotto scoile ag tosnú i mí Bealtaine.

Find out more

Visit us at

SCAN ME

<https://www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/gsbm>

Email us  
[info@ourfundraiser.ie](mailto:info@ourfundraiser.ie)

Phone us  
01 546 1131

**Gaelcoil  
Bhaile Munna  
Fundraiser  
LOTTO**

Support our School

How you help

Fáilte chuig Iató Ghaelscoil Bhaile Munna. Déanfar an t-airgead a bhaileofar ón tionscnamh tionsaithe airgid seo a infheistiú i dtrealamh oideachais chun tacaí le hoideachas do pháistí.

Sealpa an scéal i measc clainn agus cairde le bhur dtí. Bí linn, chun buachaill! Tá súil againn go ligfidh an rogha seachtainiúil €2 in aghaidh an líne do gach duine páirt a ghlacadh.

We are delighted to announce the launch of the Gaelcoil Bhaile Munna fundraiser lotto. This is a fundraising initiative and all the money raised will be used to directly support your children's education. Please pass the word on and invite friends and family. If you are not in, you can't win! We hope that the €2 per line will allow everyone to contribute. Go raibh maith agat!

Ray Ó Diomasaigh, Príomhoide

How you join

**So Easy!**  
Scan code  
Or go to:

SCAN ME

<https://www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/gsbm>

**Play**

Choose 4 numbers  
The same numbers will be played for you each week

**Pay**

€2 per line  
or 3 Lines for €5  
Weekly subscription  
Maximum 5 lines per person

**Jackpot Prize**  
increases weekly until won  
Plus guaranteed lucky dip prize every week!

SAFE & SECURE

**Win**

Match 4 numbers to win the Jackpot

Please see the link below for more details

<https://www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/gsbm>

**Crannchur na Cásca**

Bhuaigh Céala Ní Airmhí ciséan na Cásca!!

Céala Ní Airmhí won the Easter Hamper & Éirinn Nic Giolla Mhír won the Easter egg!! Comhghairdeas a chailíní

Thanks to your generosity we managed to raise a total of 347 euro. Maith sibh!

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**Fáiltiú**

Bionn an fáiltiú dúnta idir

10.20r.n -10.35r.n

12.30i.n- 12.55i.n.

Reception is closed between 10.20am-  
10.35am

12.30pm -12.55pm

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Please arrange appointments where possible out of school hours and inform the school by phone or email in advance should you need to collect your child early from class.

