

# Scoil Náisiúnta Chaisleáin Uí Liatháin

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Nuachtlitir

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- **Fáilte:** Fáilte ar ais agus Bliain Nua faoi shéan is faoi mhaise dhaoibh go léir. Welcome back and a Happy New Year to everyone.
- **Comhbhrón:** We extend sincere sympathy to Nelius de Róiste (Proímhoide) and the extended Roche Family on the recent death of his brother, Pat Roche RIP (Tournafulla, Co. Limerick). Ar dheis Dé go raibh a n-anamnacha dílse.
- **Clárú:** Enrolment Forms / Information Booklets are now available from the office for children starting school in September. **Please return completed forms etc., on or before 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020** in order to assist us in planning ahead. Also, please inform any neighbours / friends who don't have children in the school already as they may not have access to this information.
- **Bainne:** The milk available through the school will cost **€12.00** for this term, up to Easter. Please forward the money in a **sealed envelope** with your **child's name, class and amount clearly marked, immediately**. As part of our school's Healthy Eating Policy, we encourage children to participate in this scheme.
- **Carúil na Nollag:** Comhghairdeas to all the children and staff on producing a most enjoyable Christmas Carol Service in the church on the 19<sup>th</sup> December. Sincere thanks to Fr. Coleman P.P., Paul Murphy (Sound), John McCarthy (Caretaker), Carmel in the office, parents and everyone who helped in any way to make the Carol Service such an enjoyable occasion. A special word of thanks to all the múinteoirí, SNAs and the páistí for their hard work in the weeks leading up to the Carol Service. Maith sibh!
- **Cótaí / Caipíní:** Parents, please ensure that your child wears a winter coat and cap coming to school every day during these cold months.
- **Pearcáil:** We remind parents **not to park** on the Zebra Crossing / Box opposite the school gate to the Fr Ferris Community car park, in the Special Needs' Parking slot near the school gate, in the Bus Stop at the front gate or on the road at either side of the entrance to the Community car-park / Teachers' car-park, please. Thanking you in advance for your cooperation. Go raibh maith agaibh.
- **An Chéad Fhaoistin (Rang 2):** The children in Rang 2 will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the First Time on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February @ 7.30 pm** in St. Nicholas' church. Gach ádh, a pháistí agus Miss Forde!
- **Dialainn Obair Bhaile a Shíniú:** We'd like to remind parents that children from Rang 1 to Rang 6 are required to have their Homework Journal **signed every night**, having first checked that **all** assignments are completed satisfactorily. If your child doesn't have homework done, for whatever reason, a **written explanation** is required. We encourage parents to **prompt and guide** your child with homework if necessary **but do not complete the homework for your child**. Remember, completing *reading, oral work and/or research* is **just as important** as *written* work. There are some useful tips on helping your child with homework in our Homework Policy and at the back of your child's school diary, (Rang 1-6).

- **Corp Oideachas / PE:** Children will continue to wear the **school uniform** on **Mondays and Tuesdays** and the **school tracksuit** on **Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays**.
- **Pound Fit:** We will begin Pound Fit classes with Áine Maye (past pupil) for all classes, starting Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January for 4 Fridays (Jan.17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> and Feb 28<sup>th</sup>). The total cost per pupil is €5 (€10 max per family).
- **Ficheall:** Best of luck to our six chess teams that will represent the school next Wednesday in a Schools' Chess Tournament in Rathcormac. A special word of thanks to Ms. Murphy for her work in preparing the teams. Go n-eirí an t-ádh libh!
- **Centre for Talented Youth – Ireland (CTYI):** CTYI offers assessments and courses on Saturdays and during the summer for children with **exceptional academic ability** from age 6 – 12 years. These courses are held in UCC, with the next assessment date on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> February and a further date on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May. If you feel your child has an exceptional academic ability and you would like him/her to participate in such a course, please contact Carmel in the office for further information / Assessment Application Form.

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### **Parents' Association News**

- We'd like to wish everyone a happy and prosperous New Year and looking forward to your continued support in 2020.
- The Parents' Association wishes to thank sponsors and everyone who supported the Christmas Raffle, Christmas Card and Calendar fundraisers before Christmas. Well done to all the winners!
- **Cake Sale: Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February** in the school Halla - **10 am -12pm**. Baking can be dropped to the school on the previous evening or on the morning of the sale. Your support would be greatly appreciated.
- We also wish to thank everybody for their generosity towards Cork Penny Dinners and Fermoy Action Homeless Group. Thanking you in advance for your generosity.
- **Clothes' Collection every Tuesday in January drop at school 9am, 2 pm, 3 pm or 4 pm.**
- Our **next meeting** is **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January @ 7.30 pm**. All welcome!

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- **Dúnadh Scoile don Téarma Seo:**
  - **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January school closed** (Primary Language Curriculum In-Service)
  - **February Mid-term Break:** School closed Thurs.20<sup>th</sup> & Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February (Normal finishing times of 2pm / 3pm apply on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> Feb)
  - **Mon. 16 & 17<sup>th</sup> March 2019** – Lá 'le Pádraig / Public Holiday
  - **Saoire na Cásca:** Fri. 3<sup>rd</sup> April (School re-opens Mon. 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020).