

15ú Márta 2024

Contact details:

Parents are welcome to contact Seána, School Principal via Gaelscoil office (028) 796 28445 or via email skelly745@c2kni.net. **Please make an appointment to speak to Seana.**

You can also talk to any of the class teachers:

The **Child Protection Officer is Shauna Kelly** and the **Deputy Designated Child Protection Officers are Colleen Gillespie & Alice McCormick.**

School Policies can be viewed on our School Website.

Thank you very much for your continued help and support.

Is mise le meas,

Seána Uí Cheallaigh

Principal of Gaelscoil na Speiríní

Attendance

There is a large number of children arriving at school after the 9.10am start time. Please ensure your child is in school for 9.10am. Our Attendance is closely monitored. If your child's attendance falls below 85% you will receive a letter from the school. Please do not book holidays during school term. If your child is absent from school please phone the school on the morning of their absence on **79628445**.

Health Eating

As a health promoting and 'nut-free' school it is important that all families adhere to the guidelines of healthy snacks and healthy lunches. No fizzy drinks, chocolate biscuits, nut based products or traces of nuts on packaging, no sweets containing artificial colourings. Pupils are permitted one small treat each Friday at lunchtime, eg; crisps/custard cream, rich tea or digestive biscuits.

We have a number of children with very serious allergies.



Gaelscoil na Speiríní

Our School /Mission Statement

“School Vision / Fís na scoile”

Tá sé d’aidhm ag Gaelscoil na Speiríní torthaí oideachais den chéad scóth a sholáthar trí mheán na Gaeilge do gach dalta, trí eispéaras saibhraithe an tumoideachais. Trí cultúir agus meoin atá dúshlanach agus tacúil, beidh ár ndaltaí; féinhuinéach, cruthaitheach, líofa, dea-labhartha, dátheangach agus liteartha sa dá theanga.



Gaelscoil na Speiríní aims to provide the highest quality educational outcomes for its pupils through the enriching experience of immersion in the Irish Language. Through a culture and ethos of challenge and support, our pupils will leave school as confident, creative, articulate bilingual children.

**Aifreann Gaeilge Lá Fhéile Pádraig**

Mass will be celebrated in Irish this Sunday 17th March in St. Eugene's Chapel Moneyneena at 12.00noon. We would encourage all of our school families to attend this lovely Mass. The school choir and musicians will be participating and some of our pupils and past pupils will be reading.

The Bible in Irish

Monday 18th March in Draperstown Presbyterian Church (opposite Taylors dentist).

Irish Stew & refreshments will be served, Some of our pupils will be reading from the Bible in Irish to support our neighbours in the Church. Everyone is welcome to drop in anytime between 11am - 4pm.

Do This in Memory of Me

Saturday 23rd March in Holy Rosary Chapel at 6.00pm. Our Rang 4 children who are making their First Communion on 27th April will be taking part in the procession with Palms during this Mass.

Lough Derg Retreat

Rang 7 pupils had such a memorable day at Lough Derg, reflecting on their Confirmation and the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. Many thanks to Father Madden for the brilliant opportunity.

Glór na Speiríní

Thank you to Conor for organising 'Cleamairí Feirste' and 'Ababú,' two great fun filled days in the GAA Club for all our pupils!

Thank you to all parents for completing the 'Being Well Doing Well' survey.

Ballinascreen Credit Union Savings Club

Please remember to send in your child's savings every Tuesday to school.

**Glór na Speiríní Blitzchomórtas Uladh**

Hurling & Camogie Blitz in Meadowbank on Tuesday 26th March 10.00am - 2.00pm for R5 - R7. Bring packed lunch and sports gear.

Fire & Rescue Service

The Fire & Rescue Service will be coming in to talk to Rang 4&5 on Monday 25th March.

School Trip

Trip to Sperrin Fun Farm on **Wednesday 27th March** for Rang 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5. Please send a packed lunch and a drink with your child. The cost is £6 per child, or £12 per family.

Easter Holidays

School will close for the Easter Holidays on Thursday 28th March at 11.00am, and will reopen on Monday 8th April.

School is closed on Monday 18th March and will reopen on Tuesday 19th March.

Lá Fhéile Pádraig sona daoibh!

