

# LISNAGRY SCHOOL NEWS



Halloween 2013

*Tabhair Maith agus  
Geobhair Maith  
School Motto*

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**New School Website:**

We aim to keep you up to date on all school activities through our new revamped website.

[www.lismagryns.ie](http://www.lismagryns.ie) It will be updated frequently so don't forget to visit us regularly. We have worked very hard to give you a flavour of the very broad range of activities taking place on a daily and weekly basis. We hope our website will become an important link for you our parents and indeed the wider world and that it will provide you with the information you seek about our school.

**Sacraments**

Second Class will celebrate their First Holy Communion on 10th May 2014 at 11:00a.m. Our Sixth Class pupils will make their confirmation on March 7th at 11am.

**Garden Mural**

Well done to our Third class pupils who have painted a fantastic garden mural on the wall beside our school garden. Their creativity and imagination has certainly come to the fore. Thanks to all our parents who were so generous donating paint and a special thanks to Niamh Hynes for all her time and effort working with the children. They really enjoyed the experience

**Health & Safety**

As mentioned previously, we ask for your co-operation to ensure the smooth operation of our stop and drop area.



With patience and courtesy, this excellent facility will benefit the safety of the whole school community

**Our Football Experience**

Both our boys and girls football teams have had a great season so far. Our girls team made it to the East Limerick semi-finals while our Boys have qualified for the East final for the third year in succession. We wish them the best of luck. They are really enjoying the games and improving their skills. Thanks to all the teachers for coaching the children and parents for driving to matches

**Active Flag**

Our school has recently started working toward its very first Active School Flag. Lisnagry N.S. has a strong tradition of sports and activity and is fully committed to the process of acquiring the flag. We will work hard to implement the necessary enhancements and self-evaluation procedures to achieve the goal. A Committee is being set up at present.

**Healthy Eating**

As part of the Social, Personal and Health Education Programme we encourage the children to become more aware of the need for healthy food in their lunch boxes. We are currently reviewing our school policy. A draft policy will be discussed at the next Parents

Association meeting.

**School Self-Evaluation**

In the area of numeracy, Lisnagry has put in place a three year improvement plan. It follows a full review of current practice involving teachers, you the parents and the pupils. The perceived strengths and concerns have been incorporated into the plan. The report and plan are available to view on the website while survey results are available from the principal. This year our focus will be on literacy and we will request your help once again in the review process.

**Parents Association**

The staff of the school are fortunate to have a very active, co-operative and supportive Parents Association. They do fantastic work every year fundraising for our school. Please support our first event this year, our Halloween cake sale this Friday in the school halla.

**Child Protection**

As per our school policy the stay safe programme is taught in every classroom during September. The programme seeks to enhance children's self-protective skills by participation in lessons on safe and unsafe situations, bullying, inappropriate touch, secrets, telling and stranger danger

**Upcoming Events**

**Enrolment** If you have a child starting school in September 2014, please notify the school.

**Halloween Fancy Dress**

The children will be allowed dress up in Halloween costumes on Friday 25th October. Our annual Halloween cake sale will also take place in the Halla from 2p.m. onwards on that day

**Parent/Teacher Meetings**

Our annual P.T.M. are scheduled for Wed 22nd and Thurs 23rd January 2014.

**Hallelujah Choir Festival**

Our School Choir are busy preparing for the Hallelujah concert which takes place in the Citywest Hotel, Conference and Event Centre in Dublin on Saturday 7th December. 36 boys and girls from 4th to 6th class are learning a variety of songs, including their famous pop medley and are looking forward to performing along with special guest artists from across Ireland and the UK.

**Whizzkids Programme**

We hope to provide a series of technology classes for our 5th and 6th class pupils in the final term. The pupils will learn a wide variety of skills such as web design, video game programming, desktop publishing and animation. Each lesson will focus on specific learning objectives outlined by the NCCA in the ICT Framework.

**Reminder:**

To ensure effective communication with the school please ensure we have your up to date e-mail address. Also, if you have a change of address or mobile phone number for text-a-parent, please inform us.

**Halloween Holidays**

We look forward to a safe and restful Halloween break. We will re-open on Monday 4th November 2013.