

# LISNAGRY SCHOOL NEWS



Easter 2015

## Tabhair Maith agus Geobhair Maith School Motto

### Sacraments

Congratulations to our Second Class Pupils who made their First Confession on Tuesday 3rd March. They are now busy preparing for their First Holy Communion which takes place on 23rd May in Castleconnell Church. 6th Class are also busy preparing for their Confirmation on April 25th.

### Cumann Na mBunscoil Mini 7s

Well done to all the boys and girls who participated in the Cumann Na mBunscoil Mini Sevens. Congratulations to our boys football team who reached the East Limerick final and were unfortunate to lose out to Crecora in a nail-biting finish.

### FAI 5 A- Side Soccer

Well done to all the 5th/6th class boys and girls who really enjoyed the 5 a-side soccer blitz in Corbally. 7 teams took part in the competition at Sean Choill on March 12th. All the teams played very well, with two boys teams progressing to the finals.

### Basketball

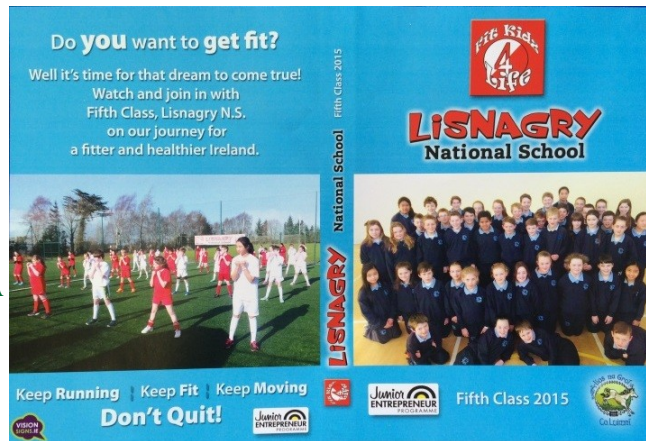
Our boys and girls teams have played two matches in the schools league so far. Well done to the boys on defeating St. Patrick's and JFK. They were unfortunate to lose out to St. Nessans in a tightly fought encounter. Well done to our girls team who beat Gaelscoil Sairseil and are really improving their skills.

### Active Schools Week

This year we will celebrate Active Schools Week beginning Tuesday 5th May. A fun filled week will be had by all.

### Fit Kidz 4 Life

The Fifth Class Junior Entrepreneur DVD 'Fit Kidz for Life' is now on sale and copies are flying out the door! If you would like to purchase a copy, they are on sale in the school for 10euro. Huge congratulations to all the pupils and their teachers for their tremendous work in the programme over the last few weeks. Thanks to Richie



Few weeks. Thanks to Richie Clifford and Pat Shortt for their Support, advice and hard work in making it possible. We are extremely proud of the children and it has been a wonderful educational experience for all concerned. Please spread the word and support the boys and girls by purchasing their DVD.

### Fun /Walk

We are calling on the whole school community to support our upcoming fun walk. Please sponsor our pupils and /or participate yourself on the day: **Sunday 10th May 2015 at 11am.** This is our main fundraiser this year. The course will be 3km approx. starting and finishing at the school. An enjoyable day is sure to be had by all. Refreshments will be served in the school hall afterwards.

**It is of the upmost importance that children taking part in the walk are accompanied by an adult to supervise them.**

### School Tours and Costs

The costs of the school tours for this year are outlined below. Should you wish to pay the cost in instalments, we would be happy to facilitate you. Should you have any difficulty in making the payment please don't hesitate to contact us in the strictest of confidence. The school tour dates and details are as follows:

Junior/Senior Infants are going to Free Range Kids in Croom on Thursday 28th May. Cost €15

1st /2nd Classes are going to Adventure World Camps in U.L on Friday 5th June. Cost € 30

3rd /4th classes are going to Killaloe Activity Centre on Tuesday 26th May. Cost €40

5th/6th Class are going to Croke Park Museum, Viking Splash and National History Museum on Wednesday 10th June. Cost €30

### School Self Evaluation- Literacy

Thank you to all the parents who returned our literacy questionnaire. Pupil focus groups and teachers provided feedback also. At present we are collating all data and we will prioritise areas for improvement. We will have our report and improvement plan in place by the end of this school year.

### Whizzkids Programme

The WhizzKids I.T. Programme will commence in 5th/6th classes for 10 weeks starting on Thurs 16th April. The children are really looking forward to it. This is very worthwhile as the practical applications they learn can be applied in almost every career/role in the students future. It is very important that the children practice the skills they are learning at home as much as possible.

### Seachtain na Gaeilge

Bhi dánta, amhrain agus gníomhaíochtaí chultúrtha eile ar siúl i ngach rang. Quizzes as gaeilge, seanfhocal and art competitions were just a few of the many activities which happened during seachtain na gaeilge. Our ceol-choirm, which takes place on Friday will be the highlight of the week.

### School Calendar 2014/2015

We will return to school on Thursday 27th August 2015. The school calendar for the next academic year, once finalised will be available to view on our website. It will include a full list of all school closures and holidays.

### Attendance

As always we remind you of the importance of your child attending school every day. By attending class regularly, your child is more likely to keep up with the daily lessons and assignments thus improving their chances of academic success.

### Book Rental Scheme Sept 2015

Our book rental scheme will begin operation from September next. Once booklists are finalised, the exact fee will be determined. This will need to be paid in June to allow us to have books ready for your child in September.

### Supervision

I wish to remind you that children are supervised from 9am to 9.20 am before school starts. Children who are on school grounds before 9am are not supervised.

### Parking

Once again we would urge parents using the stop and drop to prioritise the safety of all the children. Please show patience and courtesy towards other drivers. This busy collection period in the evening does after all only last 10 minutes. Safety is paramount.

### Cash For Clobber

Thanks to everyone for supporting our Cash For Clobber Clothing Recycling Scheme. We have entered a competition to win €4500 if we can collect the most clobber per pupil and that in addition to what they pay us for what the bags weigh! The competition runs until May 31st. Your support is greatly appreciated.

### Anyone 4 Science Summer Camp

Anyone 4 Science are holding a Summer Camp in the school from 29th June until July 10th. They will cover a range of topics including bubbles, separating mixtures, geology, pneumatics, hydraulics and marine biology. More information is available on [www.anyone4science.com](http://www.anyone4science.com). If interested please contact Christine on 0876749608.

### Easter Holidays

The school closes for our Easter Holidays on Friday 27th March at 12:30 p.m. and will reopen on Monday 13th April. Le gach dea-ghuí

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