
Scoil Lios na Groí

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Dear parents,

Everyone is now well settled into the last term of the school year. We have seven and a half weeks to go until the end of another school year and this term is exceptionally busy. Please ensure that homework does not become a casualty. Please check your child's homework nightly and sign the homework journal. If you have a problem, contact the school and make an appointment to meet your child's teacher.

Last Saturday was a significant day in the school calendar as 32 boys and girls from Lisnagry received the Sacrament of Confirmation from Fr. Malone in Castleconnell Church. Preparations had been in full swing for many weeks. Events such as Confirmation are a team effort and I am extremely grateful to all the teachers involved especially class teacher Ms. O Doherty and Ms Blake, who did superb work with the Choir and all the children were wonderful. Ms Boland's second class are busy preparing for First Communion on Saturday May 23rd.

Well done to all our pupils and our Active Flag Committee in particular who discussed and presented all our initiatives during our Active Flag Accreditation visit last week. They were very impressed with all our efforts and we will hopefully hear in the coming weeks whether our application has been successful or not. This week we are celebrating Active Schools Week in the school with Céilí dancing and athletics among the many activities. It coincides with our 3km fun walk next Sunday. We are calling on the whole school community to support our fundraising fun walk next Sunday 10th May at 11am. All pupils received sponsorship cards before the Easter holidays and we would appreciate if they could be returned this week. All funds raised will go towards improving our ICT resources. An enjoyable, energetic and fun day is sure to be had by all with refreshments served in the school hall afterwards.

Comhgairdeas to our boys soccer team who clinched the Munster title in Ennis last week, a first for the school. We are all very proud of this wonderful achievement. They will now go forward to represent Munster in the All-Ireland Finals in the Aviva Stadium on May 14th. Well done also to our basketball team who have qualified for the league semi-final next week. It has been a tremendous sporting year for Lisnagry. Maith sibh. We are having a colours/jersey day in the school next Friday 8th May to celebrate the win and raise funds for the trip to the Aviva. We would like you to show your support by sending in €2 with your child next Friday. All pupils in 5th and 6th classes will be supporting the boys in Dublin next week.

As mentioned previously, the school has embarked on a Book Rental Scheme for September for all classes. The books will be available when your child returns to school on Thursday Aug 27th 2015. This will result in considerable savings for parents. All parents will receive the terms and details of the scheme later this week. Information will also be on the school website.

A talk on Relationships and Sexuality takes place for the parents and children of 6th Class children on Thursday next 7th May at 7 p.m. followed by a talk for the children themselves on Friday 8th at school.

In the event of any pupil reaching a total of **20** days absence from school in a school year, the school is required by law to make a report to the National Education Welfare Board. Parents are advised to be aware of this and to be mindful of their child's attendance record. I have already submitted a number of such reports during this school year.

Seachtain na Gaeilge was celebrated from the 23rd-27th March. Bhíomar ag labhairt a lán Gaeilge ar fud na scoile. Visit the post on our website to see youtube clips of our ceolcoirm.

Last week, Fifth Class visited the Woodlands House, Hotel, Adare for the Showcase day as part of Junior Entrepreneur. They gave an excellent presentation and Mary Fitzgerald from the Woodlands House Hotel was very impressed with their product. Maith sibh.

We are having induction evenings for our new junior infants and their parents on Wednesday 3rd and 4th June.

The School Calendar for 2015/2016 is now posted under the documents section of our school website.

Please note that the school is being used as a polling station on **Friday May 22nd**.

As you are aware our school uniform is available to purchase both in Fenessys and Noels Menswear. A representative from Noels will visit the school on June 17th and again in August before school starts, where parents can order and purchase the school tracksuit at the school for your convenience. Noels have a new supplier of the tracksuit and it is competitively priced.

If any families are not returning in the next school year, please let me know **immediately** as there is great demand for places in many classes.

Don't forget that all our newsletters and information on upcoming events, school tours, school calendar etc may be viewed on www.lisnagryns.ie

Gach dea-ghuí,

Michael Feeney

Principal