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Fáilte ar ais.

Táimid chomh buíoch go bhfuilimid ar ais ar scoil ag múineadh agus ag foghlaim. Táimid ag súil go mór le fáilte a chur roimh na hardranganna go luath. Tá sé go hiontach na páistí a fheicéail tar éis an sos agus tá ag éirí go hiontach ag gach duine.

Welcome back.

We are so grateful to be back teaching and learning. It is wonderful to see the páistí back after the break and we hope to welcome the higher classes back soon.

We have already had a busy week and the páistí are excited to be back at school. We would also like to say a big hello to the rest of the ranganna who are busy working remotely and joining in on the fun whenever they can.



NÍ NEART GO CUR LE CHÉILE /UNITY IS STRENGTH

Measca & Clúdaigh Aghaide/

Facemasks and **social distancing** in schools is hugely important.

Anyone collecting/dropping children and entering the school grounds must wear a mask. If you do not have a

mask, please do not enter the school grounds.

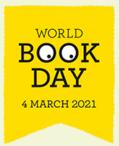
As much as we love to interact and see parents at the school unfortunately for now all form of communication with the school must take place via email or by phone.



No one may enter the

reception area of the school. The new variant is extremely contagious and we want to minimise the possibility of pupils or staff contracting the disease resulting in further class/school closures because of this it will no longer be possible to pop in with lunch or other items.

Thank you for your understanding and for wearing masks at the school/ Go raibh maith agat do na tuistí atá ag caitheamh na mascanna lasmuigh den geata scoile.



4ú Márta Lá Domhanda na Leabhar Last Thursday was World Book Day. The páistí came to school dressed up as their favourite characters from their favourite books some of the páistí from 3rd - 6th class also took part by sending their teachers a photo of themselves dressed up. It was great to see the huge effort made by everyone on the day.

Feach ar na ranganna ag ceiliúradh lá na Leabhair. Visit the link below: https://vimeo.com/520910409







Tinreamh / Attendance

This year our top priority is everyone's health. While it is accepted that there is a direct link between school attendance and pupil progression we must make exceptions this year. We thank you all for erring on the side of caution - keeping children home who are unwell, getting GP advice when the symptoms are on the Covid 19 list and observing all the guidelines around isolation etc.

Caithfidh gach páiste an fhoirm seo a bheith líonta acu sula thagann siad ar ais ar scoil.

The HSE require that the medical declaration form be filled in online by parents/gaurdians after every absence. You can access this at

www.databizsolutions.ie.

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The school is obliged, by law, to inform Tusla when a pupil is absent for 20 school days in one school year. As the school has to fill in the category of absence when informing Tusla, it is essential that an email or phone call is sent in after every absence explaining it. Please note if absences are Covid 19-related (we will have all your email notes explaining this and it will be

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Lá le Padraig /St Patrick's Day. Scoil dúnta <u>17ú Márta</u> School closed <u>17th March</u>





Beidh an Lá Ghlas againn ar an Mháirt, 16ú Márta.

We will have "Green Day" on the 16th March .The páistí are welcome to wear something green on the day.

Please visit our school website to see the fantastic artwork the páistí are busy creating.
www.gaelscoilbhailemunna.ie





Seachtain na Gaeilge

Seachtain na Gaeilge atá ann faoi láthair (Márta 1d-Márta 17ú). Ní bheidh an scoil in ann í a chéiliúradh le chéile ach is féidir le gach rang í a chéiliúradh trí gníomhaíochtaí - amhráin, cluichí, ceoil agus ealaín a dhéanamh.

Seachtain na Gaeilge will be celebrated during the weeks 1st -17th March this year. We all know that due to the government guidelines and restrictions we cannot have our normal celebrations together as we have done previously over the years however, each rang will still have an opportunity to celebrate it through activities songs, games, music and art.

Cúpla rud anseo... Please click on the links below:

https://www.leighanois.com

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCrylqSj2GW8AjirffZZpJEg/videos

http://www.saotharlann.com/browse-all-doodles.html

There are numerous online events and activities to celebrate Seachtain na Gaeilge eg.





The GAA

'Competition Time', a chairde! Find out more about our Seachtain na Gaeilge competitions for primary schools, secondary schools and for adults below. Great prizes up for grabs sponsored by



Cúpla focail agus frásaí Gaeilge!



Múinteoir nua

Tá múinteoir Aisling agus múinteoir Alison ar saoire mhaithreachais anois agus ba mhaith linn fáilte a chur roimh múinteoir Andrew go Gaelscoil Bhaile Munna.

We would like to wish muinteoir Aisling from rang 4 and our HSCL muinteoir Alison all the best as they take maternity leave.

We would like to welcome **múinteoir Andrew** to **rang** 4 in Gaelscoil Bhaile Munna and as some of you may know he has been teaching rang 4 over the last few months and has been connecting with the páistí and tuismitheoirí online and through zoom.

Tá fáilte romhat múinteoir Andrew!



We are hoping to have a new Home School Liason teacher in the next few weeks to replace muinteoir Alison.



Laethanta Saoire na Casca

Dúnfaidh an scoil ag 11.30rn Dé hAoine 26^ú Márta agus athosclóidh sí Dé Luain 12^ú Aibreán.

Easter Holidays

The school will close at 11.30am on Friday 26th March and re-open on Monday 12th April.

Rothar, scútar agus glás/ Bikes, scooters and locks

If you intend to allow your child to cycle or use a scooter coming to school, please ensure that they have a lock and key. Bikes/scooters must be stored at the bike/scooter stand this can be done while their muinteoirí bring their classes in from their specific lines. Páistí must dismount from their bikes or scooters before entering the school grounds for their safety and the safety of others.

Go raibh maith agat!



Cotai/ Coats

Please ensure your child has a coat/jacket with them every day, they will also need a hat as they will be outside in cold weather and remember to label all uniforms, coats and jackets clearly with their name and class on them.

Páirceáil sa scoil/ Parking at the school



We have had several complaints again from people living in the near vicinity of the school that a number of cars are blocking the road outside the school in the mornings when dropping children off and that people are aslo parking their cars up on the footpaths.

Blocking the footpath is extremely dangerous it is also inconvenient causing delays for people who are trying to go about their daily business.

As the safety of your children is our main priority, we would appreciate your continued cooperation in relation to parking and driving near the school grounds. There are ample parking spaces around by the park in Coultry. I would urge you to refrain from blocking the road, parking up on the footpaths and please do not block any of our neighbours driveways.







Parenting Programmes/Courses January – June 2021

Programme	Details	Dates/ Contact
Newborn Behaviour Observation Birth to 3 months Baby Massage Birth to approx. 10 months	Once off 45 mins session offered to parents and carers of babies under 3 months. The NBO offers the opportunity to Share the wonderful abilities of newborn babies Support early connections Figure out what your baby likes/ dislikes Understand your baby's style and temperament A five week course for parents and babies Some benefits of baby massage include: Strengthen the bond between you and your baby Help you and your baby to relax Ease your baby's wind, constipation and colic pain Learn to understand what your baby is trying to tell you Meeting other parents and sharing tips with each other	As requested by parents Hazelm@youngballymun.org Hazel Murphy 087 204 2715 Fridays, 11- 12:30 26th February - 24th March 2021 16th April - 14 May 2021 Online, via Zoom Hazelm@youngballymun.org Hazel Murphy 087 204 2715
Baby Ballymun Workshops: Feeding and weaning your baby, a relationship based approach	Weaning your baby, a relationship based approach A once off workshop to support parents and babies in making the transition to solids. This workshop will: Support you to know when your baby is ready to start eating solids. We will think together about what eating is like from your baby's point of view Help you to both to feel more confident as you navigate this new territory of your baby eating solid food	Once off workshops will be held online on the following days from 10 - 11:30: Monday, 15 th March Monday, 12 th April Wednesday, 19 th May Monday, 14 th June Hazelm@youngballymun.org Hazel Murphy 087 204 2715
Circle of Security Parenting® Programme – Parents of children aged 6 months up to 6 years	An 8 – 10 week programme for parents and care-givers that focuses on: • Understanding a child's emotional world by learning to read emotional needs • Supporting a child's ability to successfully manage emotions • Enhancing the development of a child's self esteem • Honouring a parent's innate wisdom and desire for their child to be secure.	Tuesdays: 9th March – 11 May 2021 (includes break for Easter) Online, via 200m Wiednesdays 14 th April – 9 th June 2021 Online, via 200m Hazelm@youngballymun.org Hazel Murphy 087 204 2715

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