

# Nuacht ó Gharrán Mhuire

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## 100's of New Books Added to the Library

Last Friday we had a very exciting presentation during assembly to launch a big addition of new books to our Library. The Student Council told us all about the new books, a mix of fiction and non fiction covering lots of interesting topics like dinosaurs, weather, inventions, animals and lots more. The children are all very excited to enjoy our new books. Thanks to the Parent Association for their help with funding the new fiction books. Parents, please keep reminding your child to treat our library books carefully to keep them in great condition and keep them in homework pouches in the schoolbags.

Happy reading everyone!



### Credit Union Quiz

Comhghairdeas do Mark, Charlie, Harry and Theo who came 4<sup>th</sup> in the Credit Union Quiz!



### GDPR Update

As part of our Attendance Strategy, children who arrive late to school sign in at the front office. In compliance with GDPR we now protect the identity of the children signing in. Children arriving after 9.10am, record their room number, the date and the time at the front office. Instead of writing down their name, the children pick up a card at the front desk and hand it to the class teacher. Presenting this card notifies the teacher to record the time of arrival on the Databiz system. Attendance and punctuality are excellent throughout the school. We continue to encourage parents to ensure that children arrive on time for assembly and take advantage of the morning supervision provided by the teachers.



### Delta na Seachtaine: Uniform Challenge

During the month of March teachers will be looking to commend the children who are consistently wearing the proper uniform throughout the month.

Colourful runners and hoodies are not part of the school uniform. Some of the junior classes go running during the school day and to facilitate this activity children may wear black runners with their uniform. We ask for your support in keeping the children looking smart in their school uniforms.



### IT Update

Since Christmas the 30 new iPads are being used by all the children from Junior Infants to Sixth Class. We are continuing to increase our bank of apps. Presently the children are using Spelling City, IXL, Book Creator, Starfall, Math Fight, Google Earth, Adobe Spark Video and more. Using these apps allows the children to access the curriculum in a fun and exciting way.

