Scoil Aoife CNS Halloween Newsletter



Dear Families & Friends,

I am delighted to say that

Scoil Aoife CNS has now settled into school in Brookfield Youth & Community Centre. The staff here have been so helpful and accommodating and I would like to extend our thanks to Donna and her wonderful staff. After a lonely start we have 8 children now happily learning and making steady progress. It has been a very busy half term. We hope all children have a fruitful year full of learning and happiness. I am delighted to welcome Sharon to Scoil Aoife where she has volunteered to help out in the office. She is here mornings from 9.30 until 11.30. She is an angel in disguise.!

School Website www.scoilaoifecns.ie

The school website will be up and running within the next fortnight. We were delayed due to some difficulties with ICT in the building. An interactive whiteboard will be installed during the midterm break and we will be launching our own school app within the next few weeks.Watch this space!

Goodness Me Goodness You

We have just started our gmgy programme and your child has brought home a parent information sheet to explain what we are learning in school. You can log on to the website and listen to songs and stories etc which the children are enjoying in school. Look out for the next Parent Information sheet in the next few weeks.Log on to the website parents section.to <u>www.gmgy.ie</u> We will be having a Welcoming Ceremony in November to which you will be invited and you will have an opportunity to learn more about the gmgy programme.

Bedtime Reading club

The boys and girls are now bringing home a book each week to share with you. It is so important at this stage that they develop a love of books and an appetite for reading. We have hooked up with Tallaght Library who have agreed to loan us books for this purpose. Please look after the books as they are expensive to replace.

Active Youth Challenge

No doubt everyone has heard about Daniel by now. Daniel Kilgallon is an Education Officer with the ETB. He has initiated a programme with us to help us become more active and the children are loving their PE classes with him each week. At the end of the programme we will be awarded a fitness award. I would also like to sincerely thank all the ETB staff here in this building, who have supported us in so many ways since we opened.

Parent Teacher Meetings

We will have parent teacher meetings the first week in December . Details to follow.

School Photographs

We are having school photographs taken on November 21st . It is important that everyone is here that day and in FULL UNIFORM. There is no obligation to buy the photographs but we will be purchasing a school picture for the *History Book*.

Applications for Junior Infants 2015–16

We will be recruiting for Junior Infants 2015-16 in November.. The application form can be downloaded from our website or can be filled out in the school after 1.30pm or in the mornings between 10.00 and 11.00. You will need to bring:

- Photocopy of child's birth certificate
- Child's PPS number

We have already received some applications for next year and places will be limited, so if you know someone who is interested , please spread the word.We will organise an open evening in the school also.....dates to follow.

School Uniform

Please have your child in uniform Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Tracksuits and runners for the other days. The school tracksuit will be available to those who want it in November but it is not obligatory. As we are now using the yard on a daily basis the children will need to bring a coat to School.

Healthy Lunches

All children are bringing healthy lunches but it is important to keep in mind the following

- Please cut fruit into small pieces.
- Avoid yogurts for the moment.
- One Sandwich/roll/wrap with fruit for small break is adequate.
- Treats on Fridays only.

Dates for Your Diary

Halloween Break

Mon 24th Oct - Mon 3rd Nov

Christmas Break Fri 19th Dec - Mon 5th Jan

