

GRIFFITH BARRACKS NEWSLETTER

22nd November 2018

A Chairde (Friends),

We are getting through November at breakneck speed. It has been lovely to meet all the parents this week during the parent teacher meetings and see how committed you all are to Education and the school. The teachers have all conferenced with the children as well to come up with learning and social goals.

Our new stage has arrived

Check out our new portable stage which we will use at events here in Griffith Barracks for many years to come. Don't forget the End of Term Celebration on December 19th. Junior Infants to Rang 1 will take place at 9.15 am and Rang 2 - Rang 6 will take place at 11am.



School Trips/Workshops and Swimming

The link for payments for school trips/workshops and swimming remains open. Many thanks to all who have already paid it.

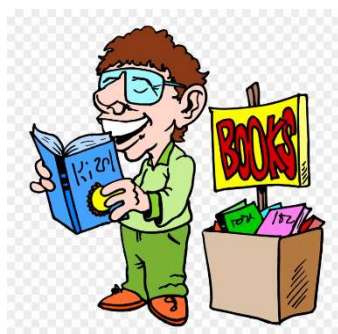
School Calendar

We are currently preparing our calendar which we hope to sell at the winter performance this year. Each child in the school will have a part in creating the calendar and we have invited our friends in South City ETNS to take a page as well. Many thanks to third class parent Gráinne for working on this for us.

Winter Fair

It's that time of year again. We are really excited about the up-coming Winter Fair which takes place on Sunday 2nd December from 12pm – 3pm. Attached is a Flyer which contains all the information about the Fair. It is always a highlight of the Griffith Barracks Calendar. We will be collecting donations on Saturday 1st December between 11am and 1pm. Examples of donations include books, toys, clothes, accessories, plants, Wheel of Fortune prizes, cakes, home-made produce etc (perishable goods only on Sunday please).

The Winter Fair team are also looking for volunteers and helpers on the day and in the week running up to the Fair as well as on the morning afterwards. Please contact Michelle Madden at michelemad@gmail.com if you are able to help in any way. It would be really appreciated. Really looking forward to the first fair in our new building.



Library

This week we held a child focus group to work on our plans for the library. The children were very impressed with the work done so far and came up with wonderful insights and suggestions.

Students of the Week



Well done to all our Students of the week this week.

Weeding

We are hoping to have a gardening morning next Tuesday morning after drop-off to do a final weeding of the side of the school. If you are free, please come along. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided.

6th class Drama

Some process Drama taking place in Rang 6.

Assembly

This week in Assembly we explored the value of kindness and the idea of a kindness chain.

Dr Niamh Hickey



Niamh Hickey was in this week working with Senior Infants, Rang 2 (2nd Class) and Rang 3 (Third Class).

Niamh is connected to the wonderful organisation on our doorstep "The Ark" <https://ark.ie/>. Niamh's work centres around following your dreams and never giving up. The children found her own dream of becoming an astronaut particularly inspiring, in particular Senior Infants, given the great work they have been doing around their space theme. Our school was particularly honoured in that we are one of only two schools in the country to get this workshop.

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