

Scoil San Treasa

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Seachtain na Gaeilge

Céilí na bPáistí:

Beidh Céilí na bPáistí againn i gclós na scoile - Déardaoin 14ú Márta, 11.00 r.n. le cúnaimh Dé - má bhíonn an lá tirim. As you are already aware, we plan on having our popular 'Céilí na bPáistí' in the school yard - weather permitting - at 11a.m. on Thursday 14th March. Parents are welcome to attend but please note that **as this is an outdoor event, the plan is open to change at short notice (depending on the weather and/or any unforeseen circumstances)**. As always, we appreciate your understanding in this regard. Closer to the time, please keep an eye on the website and on your emails/texts etc.

Pupils are welcome to wear green clothing or general 'St. Patrick's Day attire' on Thursday. Please bear in mind that as the outdoor céilí will take place on that day, it is essential that the children wear **warm clothing** so that they will be comfortable. As usual, it is important that the children do not wear any trailing garments that could cause them to trip or slip, and that nothing that could cause offence or harm is worn or brought to school. Face paint/hair dye are not a feature of the day.

An undertaking of this nature necessitates much careful planning and coordination. We are particularly mindful of pupil safety and wellbeing as hundreds of pupils assemble in the yard, as they perform and watch others during the céilí itself and as they leave the area and return to their classrooms with their teachers once the event is over. As usual, there will be a designated area for parents, on the 'deer' side of the yard that is used for the céilí. The pupils are in the care of the relevant teachers at this time...parents and family members are respectfully asked to stay in their designated area before, during and after the céilí and to be considerate of all by refraining from crossing into the pupil area at any time. Our sincere thanks in anticipation of your cooperation and support in all of this, which is in the interest of all. Your attention is also drawn to our Internet Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) which is available at www.sstreasa.ie. The following extract is particularly relevant in the context of Seachtain na Gaeilge activities:

It is understandable that, for personal and private use, parents and family members may wish to take photographs or video recordings at official school events i.e. plays and such performances and official sporting events. However, it is not appropriate to upload photographs/videos/audio material taken at school events and containing pictures/recordings of persons other than parents' own children to social media such as Facebook etc. without the prior consent of those persons/those persons' parents (if children).

Ceol sa bhForhalla:

Bhí meas riamh ar Éirinn mar thír mhór cheoil a bhfuil traidisiún aici atá ag síneadh siar go dtí na fáithscéalta.

Seachtain na Gaeilge is an ideal time to highlight, enjoy and nurture the wealth of **musical talent** in our school. Our annual '**Ceol sa bhForhalla**' (Ceol sa 'Foyer') will take place each morning from Monday to Thursday of next week (starting shortly after the school opens at 8:40am each day. Please remember that normal school opening times apply for all on those days – the school will not be open to receive pupils or others prior to 8:40am.) It's a wonderful opportunity for the boys and girls to share their musical talents (*instrumental* music) with their peers and parents in a relaxed and supportive environment. Children from first to sixth class who will be performing have been advised of their appointed date – you can check this in your child's homework journal. You will understand that coordinating this event at whole-school level is a challenging undertaking, and your cooperation, understanding and support, as always, are appreciated. So that the event will run smoothly, it is important that the main front door is not used for entry/exit to/from the school on those mornings. (We make a separate arrangement for pupils in the infant classes to see and hear some of our musicians in a relaxed and informal setting.)

Tráth na gCeist:

Tá Tráth na gCeist ollmhór (Rang 4-6) á eagrú do na páistí freisin agus táimid ag súil go mór leis. We look forward to our hugely popular 'mega table-quiz' 'as Gaeilge' for pupils from fourth class through to sixth class early next week. Lots happening in Scoil San Treasa!

In line with procedures at national level, our annual review of our **Anti-Bullying Policy** will take place shortly. Should you have any comments, please forward them by email (by Friday 22nd March) to principal@sstreasa.ie with 'anti-bullying policy' in the subject line. (There has been much positive feedback from the various sectors of the broad school community – including the children - regarding the school's ongoing emphasis on 'anti-bullying'. This is very encouraging.)

Le gach dea-ghuí,
Anne English - Príomhoide