



# Weekly Update

## 4<sup>th</sup> December 2020

A group of children from 4th class under the supervision and guidance of Una have replanted some of the willow in the wildlife garden to the right of the pond area. They are hoping it takes root and regrows come the spring.

Senior Infants have been learning about the Post Office in their Aistear programme. I was delighted to receive post from them this morning, a beautiful post card from each child – and some chocolate for my morning break. Go raibh míle maith agaibh.

Thank you to the children for the wonderful recycled decorations we have received so far. If your child has forgotten to bring in their decorations, entries will still be accepted tomorrow as the Green Team are planning on decorating the tree on Friday afternoon.

### **Presentation on Restorative Practice by Michelle Stowe**

– 7.30 pm on Tuesday, 8 December

Please see separate email on this event – looking forward to seeing you all there!

### **RETNS Family Quiz**

Well done to all who participated in the Family Quiz last Sunday – and thank you so much for your patience with the technical hitches at the start. We may be able to return to the Dropping Well for a quiz next year but this was certainly a great family occasion. It was wonderful to see the excitement of the winners – and the very spirited farewells from all our families at the end. Thank you once again to Liz, Una, Katarzyna, Seán, Anna, Patricia, Cliodhna and all of the Development Committee. Particular thanks to Guy for providing the second zoom link and ensuring our quiz went ahead!

### **Children's Raffle**

The Development Committee have put out a call for items for the children's raffle. The aim is to have 8 hampers, with a draw per class. Plenty of items such as new toys, games, stationery, books, sweets etc. are needed!

Items will be collected from Wednesday 2nd - Tuesday 8th December. For parents from Junior Infants - 2nd classes there will be a member of the Development Committee by the boiler house to collect donations at drop-off. Children from 3rd-6th class can bring in the donations themselves and drop them to the office.

All items must be new, and must be brought in a bag. The Development Committee will be in touch soon to tell you how to buy tickets. All proceeds will go to RETNS.

## Frásaí na Seachtaine

Nollaig shona daoibh  
Seo duit bronntanais  
Go raibh maith agat  
Sin crann Nollag  
Sin Fleasc na Nollag (Christmas wreath)  
Sin Fear sneachta

## Recording Absences on Aladdin Connect

Thank you to all parents and guardians who use Aladdin Connect to inform us of their children's absences. Please remember to record the reason for the absence. On your child's return to school, we ask that you complete the declaration form on Aladdin Connect. Your cooperation is much appreciated.

## Public Health Advice on COVID-19

Our entire school community contributes to preventing the introduction of COVID-19 into our school. No one with symptoms consistent with COVID-19 should be at school unless a GP has been consulted.

Please follow the current guidance on masks which should be worn in crowded outdoor areas.

## Reading Lists for Children

Children's Books Ireland publish reading lists by theme - everything from funny, mystery, adventure to grief, difference and wellbeing. Within each guide, there is an age recommendation, so you can choose genres your child likes most and then find an age-appropriate selection within it. The lists include Irish authors and leabhair as Gaeilge.

<https://childrensbooksireland.ie/reading-lists/>

## Scannáin Ghaeilge ar TG4 an Nollaig seo.

### Louis & Luca and the Snow Machine - 19.12.20 3:55pm

(2013, Scannán Grinn) Tá Louis an snag breac agus Luca an ghráinneog ag súil go mór le sneachta. Ach tá an Nollaig ag teannadh linn agus gan cuma ar bith sneachta air. Beartaíonn Alfie Clarke, an ceapadóir, meaisín mór a dhéanamh a chlúdóidh an baile le sneachta. Téann rudaí ó smacht go sciobtha, áfach.

(2013, Comedy) Louis the magpie and Luca the hedgehog are hoping for snowfall this Christmas. With the holiday just around the corner and not a snowflake in sight, inventor Alfie Clarke decides to build a giant snow machine to blanket the town. However, things quickly snowball out of control.

### Curious George - 23.12.20 4:40pm

(2006, beochan) Will Ferrell an príomhaisteoir sa scannán seo faoi stiúir Matthew O'Callaghan. Is fear uasal é Fear an Hata Bhuí a thugann aire dá pheata beag - moncaí - peata fiosrach agus aoibhinn a ligeann dá dhíograis an ceann is fearr a fháil air!

(2006, animation) Starring Will Ferrell. Directed by Matthew O'Callaghan. The Man in the Yellow Hat is a gentleman who looks after his pet monkey - an inquisitive and wonderful creature whose enthusiasm often gets the best of him.

### **Happy Feet Two - Oíche Nollag 4:45pm**

Tá mac ag Mumble agus ag Gloria anois darb ainm Erik. Tá Erik in amhras faoi na buanna atá aige féin. Ach tá nithe eile go leor ag bagairt ar na piongain anois agus caithfidh gach uile dhuine oibriú (agus damhsa) le chéile chun an choilíneacht a thabhairt slán. Leagan Gaeilge arna léiriú ag Abú Media.

Mumble and Gloria now have a son of their own, Erik (E.G. Daly), who is struggling to find his own particular talents in the colony. But new dangers are threatening the penguin nation, and it's going to take everyone working (and dancing) together to save them. Irish language version produced by Abú Media.

### **Shrek - Oíche Nollag / Christmas Eve 5:25pm**

(2001, Beochan) Leagan Gaeilge den scannán Shrek: Is gruagach é Shrek a chónaíonn leis féin sa choill agus a bhfuil faitíos ag muintir Duloc ar fad roimhe. Bíonn suaimhneas breá aige go dtí go ndíbríonn an Tiarna Farquaad gach a bhfuil sna scéalta sí isteach sa choill. Ní bhíonn aon rogha aige ach rud éigin a dhéanamh faoi!

(2001, Animation) Shrek is a big ogre who lives alone in the woods, feared by all the people in the land of Duloc. When Lord Farquaad, the ruler of Duloc, exiles all the fairy-tale beings to the woods, Shrek loses his peaceful life - until he decides to do something about it.

### **Lego Ninjago - Lá Nollag / Christmas Day 11:30am (An Chéad Chraoladh ar TG4)**

(2017, Beochan) Leagan Gaeilge den scannán Lego Ninjago. Caithfidh seisear ninja óga: Lloyd, Jay, Kai, Cole, Zane agus Nya, an cathair Ninjago a chosaint ón Tiarna Garmadon.

(2017, Animation) Six young ninjas: Lloyd, Jay, Kai, Cole, Zane and Nya, must protect the city of Ninjago from the evil Lord Garmadon

### **SpongeBob - Spúinse as Uisce - Lá Caille / New Year's Day 3:15pm**

(2015, Beochan) Tá saol maith ag SpongeBob SquarePants i Bikini Bottom in éineacht lena chairde Patrick, Squidward, an tUasal Krabs agus Sandy. Ach nuair a ghoidtear oideas rúnda an Krabby Burgar, caithfidh SpongeBob dul i bpáirt lena namhaid mór Planctón agus teacht i dtír chun aghaidh a thabhairt ar an bhfoghláí mara gránna agus cruálach, Feoil-Feasóg, a bhfuil a phlean féin aige do na burgair speisialta seo.

(2015, Animation) Life is dandy in Bikini Bottom for SpongeBob Squarepants and his friends Patrick, Squidward, Mr. Krabs and Sandy. However, when the top-secret recipe for Krabby Patties is stolen, SpongeBob finds that he must join forces with perpetual adversary Plankton and come ashore to battle a fiendish pirate named Burger Beard, who has his own plans for the delicious delicacies.

Le dea-ghuí

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