



GCC Gaelbhrtach – Parents Update Friday 18 October 2024

Is scéim gradaim í **Gaelbhrtach** a thugann aitheantas do scoileanna a ghníomhaíonn le húsáid na Gaeilge agus feasacht ar an teanga a chur chun cinn tríd an scoil ar fad agus sa phobal lasmuigh di. Spreagann Gaelbhrtach úsáid na Gaeilge agus cuirfidh sé le híomhá dhearfach na Gaeilge sa scoil

Gaelbhrtach is a scheme which rewards schools recognition for promoting the use and the awareness of the Irish language throughout the school and in its local community. The scheme encourages the use of the Irish Language and reflect a positive image on the use of the Irish language in our school. With this in mind we have had a busy few weeks forming a committee and putting an action plan in place.

- Our fíis/mana that we have chosen for the Gaelbhrtach is our school motto “Ní neart go cur le chéile” – strength is in numbers or we are stronger working together.
- We have a Club Gaelach running each Friday in C20 at lunch time. Students can drop in to play games, to chat and to have some refreshments. Both staff and students are welcome.
- We put a number of signs as Gaeilge around the school
- We are working on having Irish phrases on a number of the steps in the C block.
- The Gaelbhrtach committee in conjunction with the Meitheal team have organised a halloween competition “maisíú na doirse don Oíche Shamhna” where each first year class will decorate their doors as Gaeilge for Halloween.
- We have made a link with Carrigtwohill Community College and Midleton College for our 1st years and have a Pen Pal arrangement. Our first years were busy writing letters as Gaeilge which we sent and are eagerly awaiting replies.
- We are hoping that as the year progresses that it will be the norm for students to hear Irish been spoken outside their Irish class and around the school. The committee have

put together a number of phrases as Gaeilge and have asked teachers to use the cúpla focal in their class or on the corridors.

- The committee have forwarded a number of suggestions to some subject departments on how they might incorporate some Irish into their lessons.

What a busy first half term we have had!

Ag súil go mór leis an mbliain le teacht, looking forward to the year ahead and to all the other exciting plans we have.



Seo an coiste Gaelbhreatach anseo GCC a bheidh ag eagrú imeachtaí chun Gaeilge a chur chun cinn sa scoil. Ar chúl Orlaith Mc Grath (Leaschathaoirleach), Cíara Sheehan (An Rúnaí), Michael Lynch (An tOifigeach caidreamh Poiblí), Conor Mc Carthy (An tOifigeach Caidreamh Poiblí), Nathan Manley, Cathal Tangney (An Cisteoir), Kyle Hurley. Chun tosaigh; Cíara Worley, Austin Dijo, Lauren Tobin (Cathaoirleach), Yeasha Islam, Anna Lawlor, Tyler Coffey Douglas (An tOifigeach Caidreamh Poiblí), Beatha teanga í a labhairt mar a deir an seanfhocal.