

## **Scéalta le Spraoi**

With the school year drawing to a close, primary school pupils will spend the final few weeks of term learning from home, a situation that they have found themselves in since March 12th. Teachers across the country continue to rise to the challenge in providing learning opportunities, demonstrating remarkable creativity and inventiveness in helping pupils to stay connected with others, keep up their interest in their school work and progress their learning at this time.

One teacher – Aislinn Ní Pháidín - has shown great innovation in developing a wonderful initiative aimed at supporting children’s learning. As a primary school teacher teaching in a Gaelscoil, Aislinn recognised the challenge facing teachers due to a lack of resources as Gaeilge and a lack of opportunities for pupils to hear and speak Irish at home. This is difficult, especially for children attending Gaelscoileanna outside Gaeltacht areas and those whose parents do not speak Irish.

Aislinn developed “Scéalta le Spraoi”, a learning resource that provides an enjoyable means of learning at home through the medium of Irish. For the last number of weeks, “Scéalta le Spraoi” has been accessible on social media platforms (Facebook, Instagram agus Youtube) and the project is going from strength to strength for children across the country. Great creativity is displayed in the provision of three videos, two storytelling sessions and a fun activity each week.

This initiative enhances and enriches the learning experience at home and provides a valuable resource to support children and parents during this difficult period.

This is a free resource and a short video can be accessed at the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qk6Yow33oBM>