



Girl Guide Connections

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Dear friend,

2023 is set to be a busy year! World Thinking Day is just on the horizon, and there are so many activities and events to look forward to.



Get Involved in 2023

Explore the satisfaction and fulfilment that Guiding can bring you. Volunteer or become a Leader in 2023!

You'll have the chance to help the next generation to learn to live and grow into adults equipped to cope with the joys, the anxieties, the



fears, and the demands of life. Guiding encourages the best in us as it gives us the opportunity to discover new ideas, new skills, new experiences, and new friendships.

There are many opportunities for becoming a volunteer at Irish Girl Guides, from Leaders to Non-Unit Volunteers to Unit Helpers. To find out more, visit <https://irishgirlguides.ie/becoming-a-leader/>.

World Thinking Day



This 22 February is World Thinking Day!

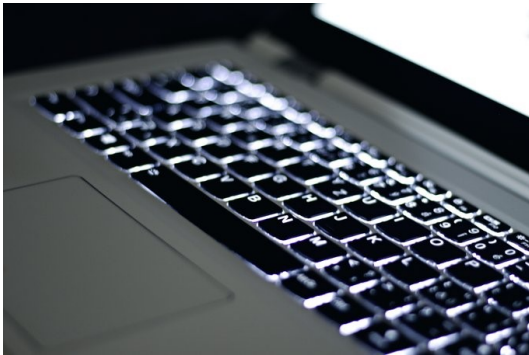
A day of international friendship since 1926, Girl Guides and Girl Scouts celebrate the Scouting and Guiding Movement by connecting with each other and having fun together, learning about and taking action on the global issues that affect their local communities, and fundraising for the 10 million members around the world.

22 February was chosen because it was the birthday of both Olave Baden-Powell, who was the World Chief Guide, and Lord Baden-Powell, founder of the Boy Scout Movement. On International Day of the Girl 2020, Guides and

Scouts from 100 countries were asked what issues most concerned them and how they wanted to change about the world. From these responses the themes for World Thinking Day 2022-2024 were chosen to be Our World, Our Future.

This year our Guides will consider the topic of Our World, Our Peaceful Future with a focus on the environment and gender equality. They will also celebrate A-WEAR-Ness Day, when Guides and Leaders wear their uniforms throughout the day to increase awareness and show their pride.

Now Recruiting: IT Management Officer



Career opportunity! Irish Girl Guides is now recruiting an IT Management Officer. Help support our mission of enabling girls and young women to become responsible citizens of the world. Apply today or share this with someone you know!

<https://activelink.ie/node/97149>

Trócaire Partner Events

Get involved in these events with Trócaire, one of our partners who helps tackle the root causes of poverty, injustice, and violence around the world.



Game Changers is a programme for young people who want to learn about issues affecting our world today, encouraging young people to engage with global justice issues by creating games.

<https://www.trocaire.org/our-work/educate/game-changers/>

The Right Focus is Trócaire's new documentary

filmmaking programme for youth groups. It enables young people to explore global justice issues through the lens of short documentary films.

<https://www.trocaire.org/our-work/educate/the-right-focus/>

New Publications Officer: Nandana James



Welcome to Nandana James, who will manage the development of IGG's publications, including Trefoil News. A former journalist from Mumbai, she has just completed her MSc in International Politics from Trinity College Dublin.

In her previous role as a journalist with India's leading financial daily, her work entailed reports on a slew of topics, ranging from ground reports on elections to in-depth analysis of business policies. She's passionate about telling people's stories through writing; driving positive social change; as well as working towards the betterment of society at large—which is also what brings her to IGG. She hopes to contribute to and complement the work IGG does in empowering girls and young women to grow to their fullest potential as responsible citizens of the world.

Be sure to welcome Nandana in her new role!

That's all for today. Please note that our Communications Officer is taking over Girl Guide Connections, so if you have any items or questions contact communications@irishgirlguides.ie.

Kind regards,

Christopher Jablonski
Communications Officer

Irish Girl Guides

What we do The **Irish Girl Guides** began in 1911 and continues today, as a registered charity, to offer girls and young women a safe space to develop life skills while exploring our inter-connected world and learning to become responsible global citizens. Learn more [here](#).

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