



19ú Meán Fómhair 2024



Fáilte/Welcome Back

Fáilte thar n-ais ar scoil gach éinne. Ba mhian linn fáilte faoi leith a chur roimh gach éinne go háirithe ár bpáistí nua atá ag teacht ar scoil don chéad uair.

As we start a new school year, we would like to welcome everyone back. We would also like to extend a very special and warm welcome to all our new pupils and families to the school and look forward to a busy and happy school year ahead.



Am Oscailte na scoile /School Opening Times - Collection of Children

- *Beidh geataí na scoile ag oscailt ar a 9r.n.* The school gates open every morning at 9.00am and will close again each morning at 9:15am.
- The drop off/collection point for Naíonáin Bheaga will be at the side gate at the Junior Infant playground.
- The collection point for Naíonáin Mhóra will be at the railing in front of the main school door.
- Please inform childminder's, grandparents etc. of the arrangements.
- Parents are reminded to drop/collect your child on time. If there are alternative people collecting your child please inform the class teacher in writing via the homework diary.

- In the event of any changes in information for Club Spraoi (e.g drop off /collection) Club Spraoi can be contacted directly.
- **Parking is not permitted in Jeffers/Staff car park at any time** – before, during or after school. Parents should not access or use **Jeffers/Staff** car park for the morning or evening drop off and collection at Club Spraoi. Residential driveways should not be obstructed/do not park on or line roadway outside the school gate before 9am or at home time 1:50pm/2:50pm.
- Please note your child’s safety is our number one priority. Our school operates a STOP and GO system. Gates will open for afternoon collection times of 1:40pm and 2:40pm. We ask that parents collecting at 1:50pm vacate their space promptly in order for the gates to be closed to make the yard accessible for the senior classes. As we appreciate the yard is busy we would ask parents not to congregate or allow children to play on the school yard or the hedging area at collection times.
- Parents are not permitted to enter the building without prior appointment. Please email the school to make an appointment or alternatively phone the office. In the event a child forgets lunch, coat, bag please wait at the main reception door.

Lá Pleanála /Curriculum School Closure

*Beidh an scoil ag dúnadh ar **20ú Eanáir 2025** de i gcomhair lá pleanála curaclaim.*

The school will be closed on **Monday, January 20th 2025**, to facilitate the new Primary Mathematics Curriculum Training Day.



All absences should be recorded on Aladdin. Parents can enter on the Aladdin app if a child will be absent, late or collected early. It is essential that all absences/late arrivals/early collections are entered on the Aladdin system.

Tinreamh / Electronic Roll Books

Tá córas rolla leictreonach sa scoil seo agus tá dualgas orainn an rolla a bheith déanta roimh 10:00 gach maidin. Más rud é go mbeidh do pháiste déanach, cuir scéal chugainn ionas gur féidir linn do pháiste a mharcáil isteach le do thoil.

The school uses an electronic system for recording the roll. We are obliged to have the attendance for the school day completed by 10.00am. It is important for all students to **be on time**. First class begins at 9.10am sharp.

Appointments with Staff

If parents wish to speak with their child's class teacher the first point of contact is the child's **homework diary**. Following on from this if a parent wishes to speak to a member of staff they should contact the office to schedule a call with the class teacher. Thank you for your co-operation



Athrú ar shonraí tuistí / Change of information

Bheadh sé ina chabhair mhór dúinn más rud é go bhfuil aon athruithe tagtha ar bhur sonraí maidir le huimhreacha teileafóin nó seoladh baile, é a chur in iúl don rúnaí chomh luath is gur féidir nó glaoch a chuir ar an scoil ag a 023 88 43378.

We ask parents/guardians to inform the school of **any** changes in contact details/information regarding their children. It is important to notify of any **allergies** as these may change from year to year. We would like to bring to your attention that it is our practice to send a text message to **one mobile number per family**. You can contact the school directly on 023 88 43378 with any changes.



Ailléirge Cnónna/ Nut Allergies

Tá roinnt leanaí ar scoil le hailléirge cnónna – d'fhéadfadh aon teagmháil le cnónna d'aon saghas a bheith fíor-chontúirteach. Iarraimid oraibh a bheith airdeallach ina leith is lón do linbh á chur le chéile agat. Meabhraímid daoibh nach bhfuil cead ag leanaí bia a roinnt ar scoil, fiú ar ócáidí speisialta.

Some children in the school have nut allergies – any contact with peanuts or other nuts can be extremely dangerous (**including Nutella**). Please be mindful of this when organising your child's lunch. We ask parents to remind their children that sharing of lunches is prohibited.

As a Health Promoting School every effort will be made to ensure that children get fresh air and exercise during the school day.



HealthPromotingSchools
Scoileanna Cothaithe Sláinte

Scoil Cothaithe Sláinte/Health Promoting School

Mar scoil cothaithe sláinte déanaimid tréaniarracht béim speisialta a chur ar shláinte. Molaimid lóin sláintiúla. Ní cheadaítear na hearraí seo a leanas: deochanna súilíneacha, criospaí, milséain agus guma coganta, táirgí seacláide (m.sh barraí le seacláid, iógart le

seacláid, brioscaí le seacláid agus araile). Tá cead rud deas amháin a thabhairt isteach ar an Aoine.

As a Health Promoting School we endeavour to promote healthy lunches. The following items are **not allowed** fizzy drinks, chocolate, biscuits, cereal bars, crisps, sweets and chewing gum. We encourage children to include fruit and vegetables in their lunch and to cut back on sugary treats. We recommend restricting sugars to perhaps one small fun-size treat on Friday. While we acknowledge children's birthdays in school we ask parents not to send in cakes or treats for the whole class. We remind parents that the circulation of birthday invitations should happen outside of school.



Dátaí na Sacraimintí/Dates /First Holy Communion

- Beidh an **Chéad Chomaoineach** ar siúl ar an Satharn an 31ú lá de Bhealtaine ar a 10:30r.n *Rang a 2 will receive their First Holy Communion in St. Patrick's Church at 10:30am on Saturday, May 31st 2025.*
- **Cóineartú** – A date for the Confirmation is to be confirmed



Social Media/Photographs

Cuirtear grianghrafanna do dhaltáí ar na meáin shóisialta anois agus arís. Muna bhfuil tú ag iarraidh go gcuirfear grianghraf do 'd pháiste ar mheáin shóisialta na scoile, téir i dteagmháil le múinteoir ranga do pháiste chun iad a chur ar an eolas.

Now and again photographs of students are uploaded to the school's social media accounts. If you **do not** wish for photographs of your child to be uploaded to the school's social media accounts or school website, please inform the class teacher by **Tuesday, September 24th**.



Íocaíochtaí/Payments

Beidh córas íocaíochta ar líne in úsáid againn i mbliana.
The Way 2 Pay system for payments will be operational shortly.



Grianghraifeanna / Quaid Gallery –All Classes

Tiocfaidh an Quaid Gallery chun na scoile ar an 30ú lá de Meán Fomhair. Beidh deis ag leanaí a ngrianghraifeanna a ghlacadh ar an lá.

This year Quaid Gallery will visit the school on September 30th to take photographs of **all classes** and also individual photographs. Children are reminded to wear their full school uniform on this day.



Bainne/Milk

Beidh bainne ar fáil do pháistí ó Naí Shinsir – Rang 6. Beidh costas €18.00 air agus cludóidh sé sin ó 25ú Meán Fomhair go dtí 20ú Nollaig.

School milk is available to pupils from **Senior Infants - 6th Class**. The cost per child from September 25th up to December 20th €18.00. For anyone interested in school milk please notify the school by email before September 23rd. Our way 2 pay system will facilitate payment.



Cótaí i gcomhair Laethanta Fliucha / Raincoats for the Yard

Ar mhiste libh a chinntiú go bhfuil cóta ag do pháiste ag teacht ar scoil. Ní bhíonn an bháisteach riamh i bhfad uainn agus bíonn cóta maith ag teastáil ar an gclós.

Please ensure your child has a rain coat/jacket **each day** for break time in the yard.



Éide Scoile / School Uniform

Ba cheart do gach dalta an éide scoile a chaitheamh gach Luan, Máirt agus Aoine. Is ar an gCéadaoin agus an Déardaoin amháin go mbíonn an culaith reatha á gcaitheamh.

All pupils are requested to wear their full school uniform on Monday, Tuesday and Friday. The school tracksuit is to be worn on Wednesday and Thursday **only**. Pupils are reminded **plain black shorts (no logos)** can be worn on Wednesday and Thursday, grey uniform shorts can be worn on Monday, Tuesday and Friday.



Comhaltas Music Classes CCÉ Comhaltas Baile Nuis

Comhaltas music classes will be taking place in the school on Friday evenings starting on Friday, September 20th.



Hurling/Camogie training

After school Hurling and Camogie training will continue next **Monday, September 23rd** and **Tuesday, October 1st** for classes Rang 4/Rang 5/Rang 6 from 2:50pm-3:50pm. Children can be collected again at the school.

Go néirí go geal leis na cailíní agus buachaillí a bheidh ag glacadh páirte i gcomórtas iománaíochta/camógaíochta Sciath na Scol. Beidh costas €10 ar an mbus. Is féidir leis na páistí an t-airgead a thabhairt do Mhúinteoir Noel.

Best of luck to all our pupils taking part in the West Cork Sciath na Scol Hurling/Camogie games. Both the boys and girl's teams will be playing on September 24th in Clonakilty. Children participating on September 24th are asked to contribute €10 to alleviate transport costs. Payment can be given to Múinteoir Noel by September 24th. Children participating are asked to bring their full gear, hurley, helmet and a full packed lunch/water as the children won't be in school for the hot lunches on this day.



Ag Clarú/Enrolment 2025/2026

Bheimís buíoch dá bhféadfadh aon tuismitheoir le páistí sa scoil acu cheana féin agus atá ag iarraidh páistí eile a chlárú sa scoil sonraí a pháiste a thabhairt isteach chuig an oifig.

Could any parents who already have children attending the school and who wish to enrol siblings for the 2025/2026 school year please contact the office with their details.



Drámaíocht / Drama Classes

Tosnóidh gach rang le ceachtanna drámaíochta ag deireadh mí Meán Fómhair. Leanfar ar aghaidh leo suas go briseadh na Nollag.

Drama with Cada will begin for all classes starting the end of September until the Christmas break.



Leabhair Scoile le tabhairt thar nais / The Return of Literacy Lift off books

Tá roinnt leabhar scoile fós le tabhairt thar nais. Bheimis buíoch dá bhféadfaí iad a sheoladh thar nais chomh luath agus is féidir.

A small number of books have yet to be returned. Please return books as soon as possible in a sealed plastic bag with your child's name and last year's class teacher on the front of the bag. We would appreciate your co-operation in this matter.



Parents Association Update

Hope you all had a lovely summer. We're excited to announce that our next AGM will take place on Thursday, 3rd October at 7:00pm. New members are always welcome!

The Parents Association is a dedicated group of parents who meet about once a month to organise fun and memorable events for the páistí such as the annual Halloween party, Santa's visit to the school, the ice cream truck on sports day, the Holy Communion celebration, and much more. The money raised supports school events and resources, including Maths equipment, 6th class graduation hoodies, subsidised school tours, Gaeltacht trip, the recently purchased defibrillator, and more. Each year, we also organise a uniform exchange, which saves you money and helps the environment. Our main goal is to ensure that every child has the best possible experience during their time at school.

To fund these activities, we organise fundraising events like clothes collections, the Christmas Raffle, bag packing, and table quizzes, last year raising approximately €5,700. Thank you to everyone who contributed!

We're always looking for new parents to join us! It's a fantastic opportunity to get involved in the school community, meet other parents, and contribute to something meaningful. Plus, our meetings are fun and social – we enjoy a cup of tea, biscuits, and a friendly chat while planning upcoming events.

If you have any questions or would like to join, feel free to contact Marie @ 087 783 6895 or Irene @087 690 2342. We'd love to have you on board!



Teacht le Chéile/Get together

Teacht le chéile agus cluichí ag an áit spraoi - Get-together and games at the playground through Irish

Beidh fáilte roimh muintir na Gaeilscoile (iar-mhuintir agus foireann na scoile san áireamh) ag teacht le chéile neamhfhoirmiúil ag an áit súgartha an Domhnach beag seo ag a 2i.n.

Is í an Ghaelainn (Gaeilge) teanga an imeachta seo agus beidh fáilte is fiche roimh idir fhoghlaimoirí agus chainteoirí líofa araon.

The Gaelscoil community (inc past pupils) are welcome to join an informal get-together this Sunday at 2pm at the playground. This is an Irish language event but all levels are very welcome.

Ceisteanna/moltaí? questions/suggestions? Déan teagmháil liom, Úna: 0851759955