

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION NOTES

Well done to everyone for their hard work and perseverance during a difficult and challenging year. The Parents' Association would like to commend all the children, parents and families on their efforts during periods of remote learning.

We would like to extend our thanks to all the teachers for their work and flexibility especially for keeping our children's education on-track during the lockdown months.

Unfortunately, the Parents' Association was unable to get directly involved in activities but we were delighted to support the school and the children remotely as much as we could. We wish to express our thanks to everyone who helped support our fundraising efforts throughout the year.

We wish all our departing 6th class a wonderful end to their time at Scoil Bhríde, an excellent summer and the best of luck for the future. To everyone else, have a fantastic summer and we look forward to seeing you in the next school year

WALK IRELAND CHALLENGE

During "Active Schools Week" we challenged each class to walk the distance which equated to famous landmarks in Ireland. From Malin Head to Mizen Head the pupils took on and conquered the challenge! We would like to extend a huge thank you to everyone who supported them on their journey and helped them to raise an amazing €6000 which will go towards supporting our Parents' Association.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

The school calendar for the 2021/22 school year is now available to view on the schools website.

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JERSEY DAY FUNDRAISER

All the boys and girls in Scoil Bhríde raised €650 during our recent Jersey Day. A huge thank you to all who donated.

BOKLISTS & PAYMENTS

Booklists were distributed in May. We ask parents to pay these costs before the end of this school year. In relation to Art & Photocopying costs, there is a €5 reduction to families who have a second and subsequent child in the school.

SONAS PRESCHOOL GRADUATION

Ms. Hurst's Pre-school class celebrated their graduation on Wednesday June 23rd. We wish all the children leaving us the very best in their new adventures and journeys. We will miss you all so much and we are very proud of what you have achieved to date

6TH CLASS GRADUATION

Our current 6th class celebrated their Graduation with an outdoor ceremony. We wish to thank the Parents Association for their continued support especially with the year-books and pizza party.

6th class, congratulations on your Graduation and completing your Primary School Education in Scoil Bhríde. Each of you has contributed to Scoil Bhríde in your own unique way. You should all be very proud of what you have achieved over the course of your primary education, particularly during the last two years with distanced learning and home schooling.

Your memories from your time in Scoil Bhríde are vast and include sports days, school tours and trips, Seachtain na Gaeilge, Halloween and Christmas shows to name but a few. You have made many friends along the way and as you begin your preparations for First Year, you will continue to make new friends.

It has been a pleasure to teach you all in 6th class. Mrs. Crampton, Ms Noone, Ms Crowley & Mr. Garvey

SCOIL BHRÍDE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Killane Edenderry, Co. Offaly.



Newsletter Issue No. 44

Dear Parent(s)/ Guardian(s),

Welcome to the final edition of our Newsletter for this school year.

Firstly, I would like to extend my thanks to our school community for their continued support throughout the year. I acknowledge the understanding and patience shown by parents during periods of remote learning. I commend our students on their resilience and adaptability when faced with another year of COVID restrictions. Finally a huge thank you to our fantastic school staff—teachers, SNAs, ancillary staff, bus escorts and cleaners for their continued dedication and hard work in providing our students with the best possible school experience.

This term has seen the return of many fun events and activities for our students. Our students enjoyed a fun filled "Active Schools Week" where they took on the "Jerusalema Dance Challenge" and a "Walk Ireland" challenge. They also enjoyed a visit from the ice cream van, swimming sessions, nature walks and many other fun activities.

We also had the opportunity to meet our incoming Junior Infants this term. We are really looking forward to seeing them and their families again in September.

I would like to wish our 6th class and Sonas preschool students all the best as they transition to the next chapter in their education.

I wish everybody a safe, happy and enjoyable summer break.

Is mise le meas,
Caoimhín Ó Dúfaigh (Príomh Oide)

NOTES FOR PARENTS

SUMMER HOLIDAYS

School will close on Friday June 25th for the Summer Holidays and will reopen on Monday August 30th for all students.

Please see below collection times for all classes on Friday.

11.00am- Junior Infants

11.10am- Senior Infants

11.15am-1st class

11.20am-2nd class

11.25am- 3rd class

11.30am-All buses (SONAS & Spraoi)

11.35am-4th class

11.40am-5th class

11.45am-6th class

YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL REPORT

The school reports will include STen scores for literacy and numeracy results. The teachers used STen scores to tell you how your child did in the tests. STen scores go from 1 to 10. The table below describes what the different STen scores tell you about your child's achievement in the tests. See document on our website 'Your Child and Standardised Testing' for more information. What does the STen score mean?

8-10 Well above Average

7 High Average

5-6 Average

4 Low Average

1-3 Well Below Average

Please note due to extended school closures during this academic year, your child's score for this year may not be an accurate representation of their ability.

ALLOCATION OF NEW TEACHERS FOR 21/22 SCHOOL YEAR.

Mr. Duffy shared the new teachers for each class on Wednesday 23rd June. All children were shown a picture of their new teacher and told their new room number. See table below for details of new class teachers for the 2021/22 school year. Mr. Duffy reserves the right to amend class teacher allocation during the summer

<u>Current Class Level & Teacher – 2020/21</u>	<u>New Class Level & Teacher - 2021/22 – not including current 5th classes</u>	<u>New Room Number</u>
J. Infants – Ms. Eva	S. Infants C – Ms. Hevican	5
J. Infants – Ms. Kerrigan	S. Infants B – Ms. Fitzmaurice	4
J. Infants – Ms. N. Crowley	S. Infants A – Ms. O Connor	3
S. Infants – Ms. Fitzmaurice	1 st Class C – Ms. Maguire	14
S. Infants – Ms. Hevican	1 st Class B – Mrs. Costello	7
S. Infants – Ms. O Connor	1 st Class A – Ms. Melia	6
1 st Class – Mrs. Costello	2 nd Class A – Ms. Scully	15
1 st Class – Ms. Maguire	2 nd Class C Mr. I. Duffy	17
1 st Class – Ms. Cronin	2 nd Class B – Ms. Evans	16
2 nd Class – Mrs. Moore	3 rd Class C – Mrs. Dolan	20
2 nd Class – Mr. I. Duffy	3 rd Class A – Mrs. Kearns	18
2 nd Class – Ms. Scully	3 rd Class B – Mr. Heffeman	19
3 rd Class – Ms. Brady	4 th Class B – Ms. Craig	22
3 rd Class – Mrs. Dolan	4 th Class C – Ms. Wallace	23
3 rd Class – Mrs. Kearns	4 th Class A – Mrs. Farrell	21
4 th Class – Ms. Craig	5 th Class C – Ms. Gill	26
4 th Class – Ms. Wallace	5 th Class A – Ms. Hastings	24
4 th Class – Mrs. Farrell	5 th Class B – Mr. O'Connor	25
Whole class reformulated	6 th Class A – Mrs. Larkin	27
Whole class reformulated	6 th Class B – Ms. Crowley	28
Whole class reformulated	6 th Class C – Ms. McKeown	29
Whole class reformulated	6 th Class D – Mrs. Crampton	30

GAA COACHING

We were delighted to welcome GPO, Mairéad Daly back to on site coaching sessions this term. Mairéad has been working with 1st and 2nd classes developing their fundamental skills over the past number of weeks. Scoil Bhríde would like to extend a huge thank you to Mairéad for all her hard work and support throughout the year.

ICE CREAM VAN VISITS SCOIL BHRÍDE

The Ice cream van made a surprise visit to Scoil Bhríde on Wednesday June 23rd. All pupils and staff were treated to an ice cream to mark the end of the school year. A huge thank you to Mr Duffy and the Parents' Association for surprising us with such a lovely treat!

ACTIVE SCHOOLS WEEK

The students enjoyed a very fun filled "Active Schools Week" recently. Among the activities they enjoyed were a Walk Ireland Challenge, Rock/Paper/Scissors Championship, Jerusalem Dance Challenge, Take on the Teacher Challenges and many other fun games and activities. Huge thank you to Derry Rovers FC for the use of their grounds throughout the week.

GREEN SCHOOLS COMMITTEE

A big thank you to the Green Schools Committee for organising various fun events throughout the year to help promote sustainable travel. Our Travel Action Day on the 16th June was a huge success and it was great to see so many children and staff participating. Hopefully we will be raising the Travel Flag in September. Well done to all!

ATTENDANCE

Firstly, we would like to thank parents and pupils for their cooperation in relation to attendance throughout a somewhat disjointed school year. We are hoping that there will be a significant improvement going forward next year and we hope that parents and pupils alike continue to make a great effort in improving our attendance levels overall.