Scoil Íde Naofa

NEWSLETTER

Friday 4th September 2026

WELCOME BACK!

Welcome back to all our pupils and staff! A special welcome to our new pupils



Sports:



- Boys and Girls U-11 Football competitions start in the coming weeks! Fingers crossed for another fun and successful year of sport for all our teams!

- Football Coaching will be back up and running next week with Tadhg Fenin working with us until Halloween.

Mindfulness:

- Tuesday and Wednesday the 15th and 16th September will see the return of our Yoga/ Mindfulness with Pamela. We are all looking forward to it already!



Birthday & Party Invitations:

We kindly ask that birthday or party invitations are not distributed in school. This is to avoid any unnecessary upset to pupils who may not be included. We appreciate your support in helping us to maintain a positive and inclusive atmosphere for all children.

Ukulele:



5th and 6th classes will have Ukulele lessons on Mondays for the year starting on the 14th September.

KiVa Anti Bullying and School Closure:

We are introducing **KiVa**, an internationally recognised, evidence-based programme aimed at preventing and addressing bullying and promoting positive relationships throughout the school community.

Reminder: All staff will undertake KiVa training on **Friday, 11th September**. To facilitate this training, **all pupils will finish school at 12:00 p.m. on that day.** We thank parents/guardians for their cooperation and support



Every School Day Matters!

A quick reminder to all families of the importance of **regular school attendance**. Every day in school supports your child's learning, friendships, confidence and sense of belonging.

We encourage parents to keep an eye on the number of days their child misses – even occasional absences can add up quickly. Remember, once a pupil reaches **20 days absent (over 10% of the school year), the school is legally required to notify Tusla**.

If your child is finding it difficult or is reluctant to come to school, **please talk to us early**. We are here to work with you and your child to help make attendance as positive and manageable as possible.

Thank you for all you do every day to support good attendance – every school day really does matter!

















Upcoming Events:

- **Boys U-11 Football vs Nurney: Tuesday 8th September**
- **Boys and Girls U-11 Football matches vs Gael Scoil Mhic Aodh: Wednesday 9th September**
- ***GAA Coaching starting Thursday 10th September***
- **School finished for Staff Training at 12pm Friday 11th September**
- **Ukulele starts for 5th and 6th classes Monday 14th September**
- **Yoga Restarting Tuesday 15th Sept**
- **Girls U-11 Football vs Allen N.S.: Wednesday 16th September**
- **Back to School Mass in St. Ita's Church 10am Friday 12th September.**
- **Boys U-11 Football vs Ballymore: Tuesday 22nd September**

School Calendar
2026-2027 School Year

Term 1

School reopens for all classes: Thursday August 27th 2026

October Mid Term Break: Monday Oct 26th - Friday October 30st (inclusive)
School will reopen on Monday 2rd November

Christmas Holidays: Wednesday December 23rd 2026 – Tuesday January 5th 2027 (inclusive).
Closing Tuesday 22nd December at 12 noon.

Term 2

Reopens Wednesday 6th January 2027

Public Holiday: Monday 1st February 2027

Feb Mid Term: Wednesday 17th February - Friday 19th February (inclusive)
School will reopen on Monday 22nd February

St. Patrick's Day Bank Holiday: Wednesday 17th March

Easter Holidays: Monday 22nd March- Friday 2nd April (inclusive)
Closing Friday 19th March at 12 noon

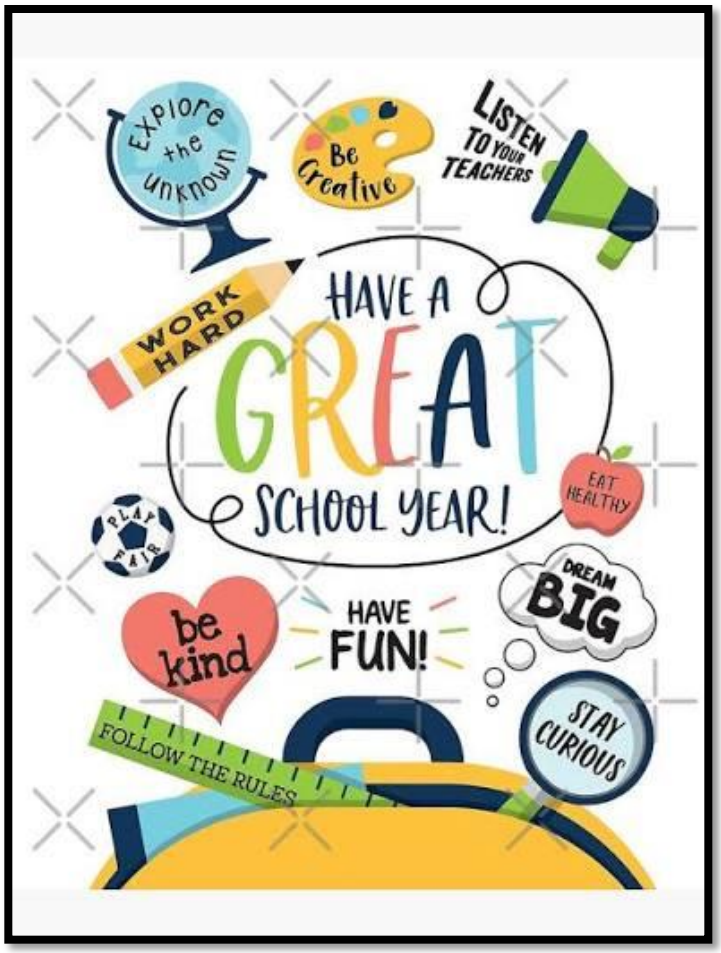
Term 3

School reopens: Monday 5th April

Mid Term Break: Monday 3rd May- Friday 7th May Inclusive

June Bank Holiday: Friday 4th June- Tuesday 8th June Inclusive

Summer Holidays: Friday 30th June closing at 12.00 noon



On behalf of everyone in the school we would like to wish everyone a successful and happy school year ahead!

Stay Safe,

All at Scoil Íde Naofa

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