



May Newsletter 2025

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CLASSES SCHOOL YEAR 2025-2026

Class teachers for the 2025-26 school year are as follows:

Junior/Senior Infants:	Ms. Lacey
1 st & 2 nd Class:	Ms. Mooney
3 rd & 4 th Class:	Ms. Kinsella
5 th & 6 th Class:	Mrs. Dunne
Special Ed. Teachers:	Ms Grace
	Mr. Meagher

NEW PARENTS NIGHT

Parents of new Junior Infants enrolled in the school for September 2025 are invited to attend an information session in the school on **Thursday, 5th June at 7pm**. This session will be delivered by the Principal Mrs. Dunne and the Junior infant teacher, Ms Breda Lacey. On **Wednesday, June 11th** the new infants are invited to attend school from **9:30am – 11am** to familiarise themselves with the school and meet their classmates.

UNIFORMS

In the hope of this good weather continuing, we have added **navy shorts** to our school uniform. These are available online from Uniform Direct. Shorts can be purchased in Dunnes, Pennys etc if they are navy in colour. We ask that you apply screen to your child(ren) before coming to school and they wear a hat during hot weather.

VIOLINS

Violin Lessons have commenced in the school for those interested in learning to play violin. These lessons are under the tutelage of Mrs. Dunne and are aimed at pupils in 3rd to 6th class. If your child is interested, please use the payment link on Aladdin to pay the €60 fee. Lessons are afterschool with pick up time 3:20pm

STANDARDISED TESTING

Standardised tests (Micra-T & Sigma-T) will be administered to pupils in 1st to 6th classes during the month of May. **Micra T** (Reading) will be on Tuesday & Wednesday, May 13th and 14th. **Sigma T** (Mathematics) will be on Tuesday & Wednesday, May 27th & 28th. The results of these tests will be shown on pupil's end-of-year school report.

JUNE BANK HOLIDAY

School will be closed on **Monday, June 2nd (Bank Holiday), Tuesday 3rd and Wednesday 4th June 2025**. School will re-open on Thursday, June 5th.

SKIPPING AROUND EUROPE

Well done to all the boys and girls who have put in a trojan effort these past few weeks.

COMMUNION

First Holy Communion will take place on **Sunday 18th May at 11am**. We hope you all have a wonderful day.

SCHOOL BOOKS 2024-25

Under the new **Free Schoolbook Scheme**, all schoolbooks and workbooks will be free of charge to all pupils for the school year 2025-26. Each pupil will be allocated a number of copybooks at the start of the school year and when these have been exhausted, pupils may purchase their own, or they will be available from the school shop. Please see attached an outline of this scheme. The only charge to pupils at the start of a new school year will be for stationery, notebooks, folders, photocopying/art materials and Pupil Personal Accident Insurance.

SCHOOL TOURS

School Tours have been organised **for all classes for Wednesday, June 18th**. On that day the pupils from Junior & Senior Infants, 1st and 2nd class will travel to The Playstation, Kilkenny where they will have 2 hours of fun, lunch and then on to The Reptile Zoo. These classes will return to the school for 2:30pm approx. On the same day pupils from 3rd to 6th class will travel to Activate, Waterford for 2 ½ hours of activities and where lunch will be provided. They then travel on to Splashworld, Tramore and should be back to the school for 4pm approx. Final details to follow.

ACTIVE SCHOOLS

We are thrilled to be the lucky recipients of a Climbing Wall from Active Schools in recognition of all our hard work. Well done everyone!

ACTIVE MONTH

June will be Active Month in our school. In order to give pupils a "taster" in different sports and activities, we are looking for people who take part in or coach any of the following: Football, Golf, Athletics, Dance, Soccer, Karate etc, etc. All we ask for is an hour or so of your time to give the pupils a look at all the different activities available to them. Please contact the school on 056 4441384 or 087 9050605. Thank you.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Please find attached a copy of our **School Calendar for school year 2025-2026**. This is a provisional calendar and you will be informed of any amendments should they arise.