



Scoil Naisiúnta Rónáin Naofa Cluain Lua

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Dear Parents / Guardians,

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It's hard to believe but children will finish school today at 12.00pm for summer holidays and return on Thursday, 28th August. We would like to remind you that you are invited to our End of Year Awards ceremony today at 11.00 a.m.

Monthly Assemblies

Children once again showcased and spoke about their work during our monthly assemblies. Congratulations to those students who received Students of the Month, Sports Stars of the Month, Silver and Gold Awards and attendance prizes.

Students of the Month

Month	Class Room	Pupil
April	Junior	Denys Tkachenko
	Senior	Rohan Marshall
May	Junior	Ellisiv Shivnen
	Senior	Laoise Moore
June	Junior	Todor Hadzi-Jovancic
	Senior	Joshua Dennedy Maye

Sports Stars of the Month

Month	Class Room	Pupil
April	Junior	Emiliia Samoilenko
	Senior	Ronan Moore
May	Junior	Obi Marshall
	Senior	Joseph Toolan
June	Junior	Adelaide Reynders
	Senior	Ethan O'Dowd O'Neill

Information from Board of Management Meeting, 17th June 2025

- The Board would like to congratulate the school Cumann na mBunscol team and their coach Ms. Whitehead on their recent win in the two teacher mixed finals in Scarden. The Board would particularly like to thank the parents, past pupils and family members for coming out in such wonderful numbers and colours to support the team. The Board would also like to thank James from Sligo GAA who worked with the children during the year.
- A special thanks also to the Parents Association for organising the Pizzas and chips and Ice Cream Van to come to the school as a surprise for the children to mark their wonderful achievement in the Cumann na mBunscol competition.

- The Board would like to wish our 6th class pupils the very best as they graduate from Cloonloo and go to secondary school.
- Thank you to the parents who have volunteered in the garden to Andrew, Gerard, Harriet, Julia, Gráinne and Ms. Jordan who have all planted, woven, repaired and built to have the garden looking so well.
- The Board would like to congratulate the Active School and Amber Flag Committees and the whole school community on achieving the two flags and extend a special word of thanks to Ms. Savage and Ms. Conlon for their hard work in helping the school achieve these flags.
- The Bí Cineálta Policy to Prevent and Address Bullying Behaviour was reviewed and ratified.
- The Acceptable Usage Policy was reviewed and ratified.
- Child Protection Oversight Report was conducted.
- Solar Panels will be fitted during the summer holidays.
- The Board would like to wish Ms. Whitehead the very best in her future career and thank her for the wonderful work she did with the children since she came to Cloonloo in May. She has made a positive lasting impression on pupils, parents, staff and the Board of Management.

Aladdin Connect

We have started using Aladdin Connect as a means of communicating with parents. You will have used it to access your child's End of Year Report. If you would like to add another parent to the system, please let us know and we can organise it.

This system allows you to send absence notes, late notes and early collection notifications to the class teacher and you can put in the reasons for any absences as are required by TUSLA. We will not be using Homework Journals from September - class teachers will put the homework up on Aladdin. Parents can send messages to class teachers or to the school office and Parent Teacher meetings will be booked on it. Newsletters, notifications of school events and closures will also be communicated through Aladdin. We hope you as parents will find this communication system helpful. You will no longer have to text the school mobile or write a note to explain an absence, you can do it all on Aladdin. If you have any questions, please ask.

Swimming

6 weeks of swimming lessons finished last week. Children really enjoyed the lessons.

Amber Flag (Wellbeing)

The children raised the Amber Flag at our Friday assembly for the first time. The children have been working towards applying to receive this award all year. The Amber Flag focuses on Wellbeing. Congratulations to the Wellbeing Committee, the whole school community and Ms. Conlon (Principal Admin Days) who spear headed our schools' application for the Amber Flag. As part of this project children must organise a fundraiser for Pieta House.

A Jumble Sale was held in school on Friday, 2nd May and a total of €167.05 was raised for Pieta House - the designated charity for this project. Thanks for your help and support with this fundraiser.

Active Flag

The school has been awarded its second Active School Flag for all the wonderful active breaks, active schools week and initiatives that the children take part in. Thanks to Ms. Savage and the Active Schools Committee for their hard work in making this happen.

Student Council

The Student Council helped to write the student friendly *Bí Cineálta* policy which will be displayed in each classroom and in the hallway. A word of thanks to all the pupils for their input into this policy and to Ms. Whitehead for pulling all the ideas together and putting them into a lovely bright child friendly policy.

Parents Association

Thanks to the Parents Association for the continued support of the children and the school. The new PE and play equipment are going down a treat and getting lots of use daily. The mud kitchen and newly installed water play area are a particular hit with the children. Thanks very much to Julia Ní Ghrada for making these and to the other parents who came and help install them. It is very much appreciated.

The Re-turn Bin for returning Plastic Bottles is keeping Sylvia Tighe very busy emptying it. Thanks Sylvia for organising this and committing to emptying it. Again this is very much appreciated.

Music Generation Classes

The Senior Room children performed brilliantly at the recent Music Generation Concert in the ATU, Sligo. Thanks to the parents who attended to support the children. We will look at taking part in Music Generation again in the 2026-2027 school year.

Bí Cineálta

The *Bí Cineálta* Policy to Prevent and Address Bullying Behaviour will be posted on our website and as mentioned above the Child Friendly version will be displayed around the school. The monthly anti bullying questions will also be given to the children. We will organise an information session for parents in the Autumn regarding the new policy as it is important that the whole school community understand the definition of what constitutes bullying behaviour and how we can support children through difficult situations.

Sports Day

GAA Sports Day took place on Wednesday, 18th June. This day was paid for by DEIS funding.

School Tour

The children had a wonderful day yesterday in Shannon River Adventure, Rooskey. I am sure they all slept well last night.

End of Year Awards Ceremony

This is a very special day in our school calendar which takes place each year on the last day of the summer term and celebrates each child and their hard work and achievements during that year. Our 6th class pupils receive their Certificates of Graduation and the Mrs. Una Crummy Cup is awarded annually to one pupil. It is a lovely way to bring the whole school community together and wish everyone the very best for a relaxing summer break.

School Jumpers

School jumpers will be delivered during the holidays. We will be in touch with those of you who ordered jumpers before the return to school so you can collect them.

School Calendar for 2025-2026 and Stationery List

Please find attached the school calendar for 2025-2026 and a list of stationery which must be purchased by you before the return to school please. The school used to get donations of stationery from St. Vincent de Paul as we are a DEIS school but this practice ceased when the Department of Education began to pay for books and copies so we now ask that you purchase stationery. We will ask for €30 per child towards photocopying and art supplies in September. A reminder will be sent out about this via Aladdin.

Important Upcoming Dates

Return to school - Thursday, 28th August at 9.20am

Yours sincerely,

Ms. Surlis
Principal

c.c. Staff and Board of Management members