



Scoil N An Chroí Ró Naofa

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## Summer Holidays

School holidays begin on Friday June 28th at 12.00 p.m. The school will re-open on Thursday August 29th at 9.00 a.m. We wish all pupils and their families a very enjoyable, safe and relaxing summer break. We wish our departing 6th class pupils the best of luck as they begin the next very important stage of their lives when they start secondary school. We look forward to welcoming our new third classes who will be joining us in September. Congratulations to our 6<sup>th</sup> class pupils who made their Confirmation on the 21<sup>st</sup> May . We would like to thank Father Fintin for taking the time to celebrate the sacrament with us, and also for all the support and guidance he has given our pupils over the year. Special thank you to and our students, teachers and SNAs for putting together such a wonderful ceremony. The BOM would like to thank the entire school staff for their continued care and commitment, and for the fantastic work done throughout the year. We would also like to thank our parent body for their continued support. Particular thanks to all for making appointments to see teachers when needed and also calling to the reception area when entering the school at all times. The Board of Management is delighted to see that the new school tracksuit worn with white polo shirt / T shirt is worn so proudly by all pupils in the school . We look forward to seeing all pupils dressed in full school uniform in September

## School Plan

We wish to thank parents/guardians for supporting us in our work promoting our school plan particularly regarding attendance this year. We are very happy to report that there has been an improvement in attendance, we will all work together to continue this trend, It is wonderful to see our school plan in action everyday in every class room . All pupils are working hard in all subjects but especially so in Literacy and Numeracy. Remember our school plan is on our website with more details of our whole school targets in these subjects and of course other areas of school life .

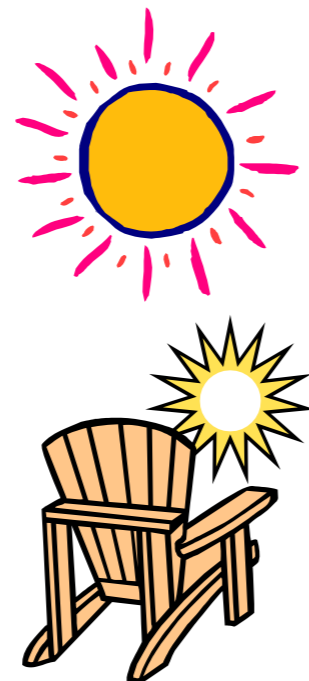
From all of the school community we send our very best wishes to Ms Furlong who is moving back to Wexford. We will miss you here in Killinarden. To other staff members who have been with us during the year on different occasions , thank for your dedication to our children and adapting to our school community in a wonderful positive manner.

Bainigi taitneamh as bhur leatheanta saoire!

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Principal



## Sports News

On Monday 17th June we held our annual GAA blitz up at KCS secondary school. I organised the GAA blitz in conjunction with Joanne from Dublin Bus and Tallaght Community Garda. This is our 3rd year running it. We had it up at KCS secondary school as the park is under construction. We invited 5 other schools, St. Thomas's, Scoil Chaitlin Maude, St. Ann's, St. Aidan's and Knockmore. All schools had a boys and girls team. We had group stages, play offs, semi finals and the finals. For the boys Knockmore came 1st, Scoil Chaitlin Maude came 2nd and St. Aidan's 3rd. For the girls St. Thomas's came 1st, Scoil Chaitlin Maude came 2nd and Knockmore came 3rd. It was a great day, children had so much fun and there was some great football played. We had loads of parents and friends up watching. It was great having so much support from our local community, without them this event would not run as smoothly as it did. Thank you to everyone involved, especially the children.

### Third Class Swimming Sponsored Skipping

A massive thank you to everyone who contributed to the Third Class Swimming Sponsored Skipping today. All of the money raised will go towards the costs of hiring the pool. Thank you so much for your generosity. Swimming is such an important life skill and it's wonderful to be able to give the children this opportunity



## X-Factor

On the 19th of June we held our annual Sacred Heart X-Factor. As always this day was indeed a very special day for the school community but probably a little more special for our wonderful performers on the day. The pupils are a credit to their families. The performers displayed such wonderful talents and the audience was equally wonderfully with the respect and encouragement shown to all. It really is a wonderful showcase of everything that is so special and wonderful about our school. Congratulations to all the performers. To celebrate the wonderful achievements of all the performers, an Ice Cream Van came to the school. A great way to mark the occasion!



**HSCL**

We've had a busy end of year and lots of activities in HSCL!

Some of our 4th Class children took part in a Lego activity with their parents throughout May.

We had a very successful Parent & Child Cookery course in our school kitchen. Special thanks to Ms Gleeson and Ms Murphy for facilitating this.

We held Family Games in 3<sup>rd</sup> Class on 11/06, 4<sup>th</sup> Class on 29/5, 5<sup>th</sup> Class on 24/5 and in 6<sup>th</sup> Class on 24/4. Huge thanks to the family members who came in to play board games with the children. The children loved it!

On the 1<sup>st</sup> of June we took a Parents Trip to Liffey Valley and we had a fabulous day at the Bloom festival on the 31<sup>st</sup> of May.

June has been a busy month with our 6<sup>th</sup> Class children transitioning to secondary school. Every child received a book called 'Mind The Gap' which helps prepare for secondary school. There have also been visits to the new secondary schools.

While we prepare to say goodbye to our lovely 6<sup>th</sup> Class children we prepare to welcome our new 3<sup>rd</sup> Class children. The current 2<sup>nd</sup> Class children have had a visit to the senior school. We invited the 2<sup>nd</sup> Class children to our school for a Q&A session with some of our present 3<sup>rd</sup> Class children. Thanks to Tiana, Charlie and Lexi! We will be inviting the 2<sup>nd</sup> Class children to a garden party at the end of June.

[Wishing you all a happy and safe summer and see you at the end of August!](#)

Karen, HSCL

**Price List****School Fees €40**

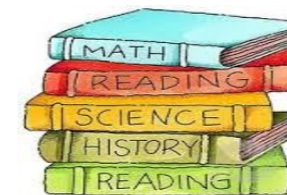
**Jumpers** with school crest (all sizes) - €30

**Track Suits** up to 10/11 €40  
11/12 upwards €50.

**Uniform shorts** €15/€20

School Uniforms available in school office until Friday 28th August .

Office will re-open again Monday August 26th for school fee payments and the sale of jumpers and school track suits.



### Bake Sale

6<sup>th</sup> class ran an incredible bake sale on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June. All of 6<sup>th</sup> class had a chance to bake with either Ms. Maye or Ms. Hoolahan on Thursday. Muffins, cookies, rice Krispie cakes and chocolate marshmallows were just some of the produces that were made.

Children were encouraged to bake at home with family and friends, which so many did. So many of them baked really beautiful cakes, scones, biscuits and treats which were a big hit with the other classes. They each worked at tables and sold the cakes. Children drew and designed some fantastic posters all week. The money raised will go back to school funds which pay for buses to sporting events and other trips, and some money will go the charity which the 6<sup>th</sup> class children will decide



We are excited to share that our school has earned the Amber Flag! This award shows our commitment to promoting positive mental health and well-being. Our students, staff, and parents have all worked hard to create a supportive and caring school environment. Thank you to everyone who helped make this happen, especially our Amber Flag Committee. Let's keep up the good work to make our school a great place for everyone.

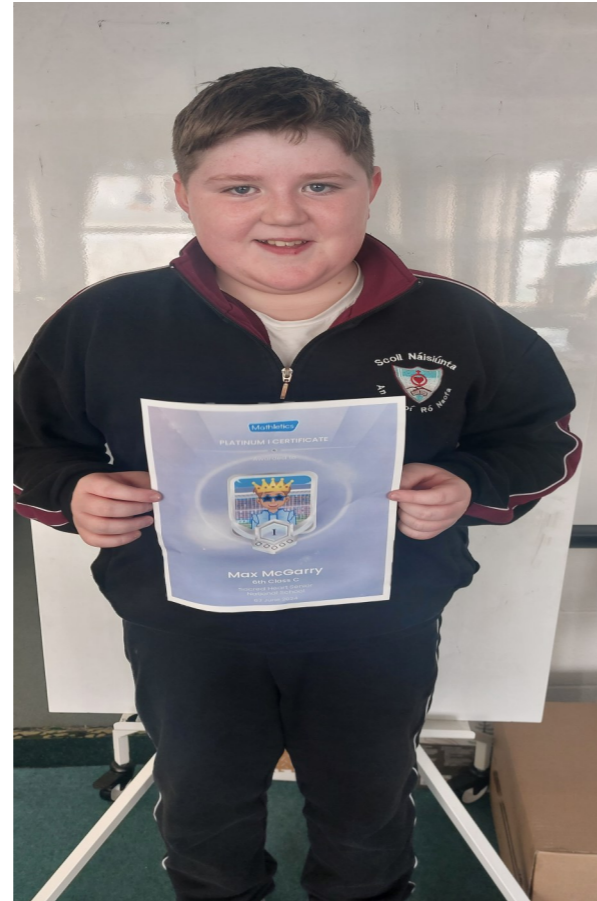
### School Garden

The children in 4th class have been working at transforming our school garden, Under the guidance of Ms Maloney, different groups of children have been digging , planting , weeding , watering and digging again to create a beautiful outdoor space. The children have painted on stones and created beautiful tiles to decorate the garden also.



## Congratulations !

Congratulations to Max McGary who has been awarded 'Platinum Mathletics' certificates for outstanding achievement. Platinum Mathletics certificates are awarded when a child receives two Gold Mathletics certificates in the same academic year. This means that Max has worked continuously for 40 weeks developing his numeracy and mental maths skills. What an exceptional award. Well done Max. That is a great achievement



## Creative Schools

**\*Talents of 5th Class Shine Bright\*\***

This year, the 5th class students have achieved a remarkable milestone by launching their own exhibition, "Careground," at the renowned Rua Red Arts Centre in Tallaght. The exhibition, a culmination of a year's worth of hard work and creativity, was inaugurated with a ribbon-cutting ceremony led by the students themselves.

"Careground" is not just an exhibition; it represents the collaborative spirit and dedication of the students, who worked tirelessly in partnership with Solo Sirens. The collaboration has been an enriching experience for the children, providing them with a platform to express their creativity and learn from professional artists.

The launch event was a joyous occasion, attended by proud parents, teachers, and members of the community. The students were thrilled to showcase their work and share the stories behind their creations. The atmosphere was filled with excitement and pride as the young artists took on the role of guides, explaining their art to the visitors.

This achievement is a testament to the hard work and dedication of the 5th class students, as well as the support from their teachers and the Solo Sirens team. It highlights the importance of arts education in fostering creativity, critical thinking, and collaboration among young learners.

We congratulate the 5th class students for their outstanding work and thank Solo Sirens and Rua Red Arts Centre for their support and collaboration. Here's to many more creative endeavours and successes!

## Incredible Edibles

Ms.Keating's class achieved a Bronze Award in the Incredible Edibles programme for their project on growing Irish food and learning about healthy eating. They planted potatoes and strawberries and learned about the Irish Famine. Once the potatoes were harvested they were chopped up and turned into wedges!





Wishing you a Safe & Enjoyable Summer!

Summer Holidays  
Friday  
June 28th

### Confirmation 2024



Our third class school tour to Fort Lucan in Maynooth was a lot of fun. We started with a ride on the big waterslides, splashing and laughing all the way down. We climbed the treehouse and tried the obstacle course, which tested our balance. We zoomed down the zip lines, feeling excited as we flew through the air. We also enjoyed the go-kart track, racing as fast as we could. We have a lovely lunch and the day ended with playtime in the playground, and we made great memories. Our 5<sup>th</sup> class had great adventures at Funtasia and 6<sup>th</sup> class had a fantastic day out in Athlone



taking part in lots of different Water Sports on the river Shannon. Not forgetting 4th class who had a great day out at the Crypto Maze in Sandyford. We have had so many Educational trips throughout the year also and are very grateful to Joanne from Dublin Bus who has provided transport for these very special trips.

### SCHOOL TOUR



# 2024/2025 Calendar

## 1<sup>st</sup> Term

Re-Opening.....Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2024

October Closure..... Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November, inclusive.  
School re-opens at 9.00a.m. on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November

Christmas Holidays....School closes on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 12.00pm

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Term

Re-Opening..... Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at 9.00a.m.

Bank/Holiday..... Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February St. Brigid's Day

February Mid-term...Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February, inclusive.

Bank/Public Holiday..... Monday 17<sup>th</sup> (St. Patricks Day)

Easter Holidays.....School closes on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April at 12.00pm

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Term

Re-Opening..... Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2025 at 9.00a.m.

Bank/School Holidays....Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May

Bank/Holiday.....Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May & Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June,

Summer Holidays.....School closes on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June at 12.00pm

