



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



JUNE 2025

Dear Parents,

As we enter the final few weeks of our academic year we would like to thank you for your ongoing support throughout all areas of school life. These include paying for tours/retreats, supporting the continuing work of your child's class teacher as well ensuring children have the supplies they need (pencils/colours/extra drinks/ sunscreen etc.) All this takes effort and we know it can be extra challenging with the long evenings and the fine weather.

We are now preparing for next academic year hence we have started collating all our book scheme textbooks with the knock-on effect that we have now reduced written homework for the month of June. We hope children will continue with their assigned reading/spellings/tables etc. and the variety of 'active challenges and tasks' that your child's teacher will prepare for the remaining weeks.

The Board and staff of our school would like to extend a big thank you to our Parent Association Committee and Chairperson Catherine O' Mahony who have completed two years on our PA Committee. The PA team have been integral at many points throughout the year for their input into school life such as providing support workshops for parents/students, fundraising for school resources, assisting with school social occasions i.e. the Communion party, preparations for 6th class graduation, Parent evening for new Junior Infants etc as well as the highly successful school's 5k run for the second year in a row. Parent Associations are recommended by the National Parents Council to be evolving and developing committees across 1-3years. We look forward to working with our committee again next year.

As our wonderful 6th Class students prepare to say goodbye to Scoil Mhuire Clarinbridge, we wish them every success, happiness, and adventure as they begin their next chapter in secondary school. We'll miss them greatly! At the same time, we're excited to welcome our new Junior Infants as they take their very first steps into school life with us – we can't wait to meet them again!



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The Board would also like to thank the staff of our school for their ongoing commitment. The role of teachers in guiding our children to new information and creating learning experiences that embeds this learning has not changed. However, the profession of teaching is much more complex than this simplistic view involving teachers continually refining rich, unique and tailored learning experiences for the children. Teachers tend to the academic needs of their class but also to the social, emotional, physical and intellectual needs while taking into account a child's social, economic and cultural background, specific learning styles, abilities, aptitudes and interests. It is a rewarding profession of which we are all happy to be part of.

The Board would like to acknowledge our Special Needs Assistant (SNA) team in our school. SNAs play an important role in assisting the teacher to support students with special educational and significant care needs. However, our SNA team goes far beyond this role. They not only support the children or class teachers but they also care for all students in every class while assisting in many unseen organisational tasks to help the smooth running of learning activities throughout the school.

Thank you to our ancillary staff, Mrs. Geraldine Dowling, our secretary and Mr. Pat Flanagan our caretaker who are a central part of our school life.

We wish Fr. Barry Horan a restful summer and we thank him for supporting us all in our professional and personal lives.

Finally, a big thank you to our children who give their best efforts every day and to our parents and local community. Together we are all striving to ensure we continually have a happy, safe and successful school.

I look forward to next year with great hope and enthusiasm for all in our school.

Kind Regards
Lorraine Henry
Principal



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CLASS ALLOCATION FOR NEXT YEAR

CLASS ALLOCATION 2025/2026	
Junior Infants	Ms. Michelle Dowling
Senior Infants (Currently Ms. Sylver's)	Ms. Ciara Kennedy
Senior Infants (Currently Ms. Dowling's)	Ms. Thérèse Sylver
First Class	Ms. Caroline Kilroy
Second Class	Ms. Tara Mogan/Ms. Karen Coolahan
Third Class	Ms. Susan Rushe
Fourth Class (Currently Ms. Burke)	Ms. Catherine Kilgarrieff
Fourth Class (Currently Ms. Kilgarrieff)	Ms. Caroline Burke
Fifth Class	Mr. Ciarán Lane
Sixth Class	Mr. Stephen Conroy
S.E.T.	Mr. Timmie Glavey Ms. Emer Moran Ms. Deirdre Caulfield Ms. Noelle Commons

STATIONERY/SUPPLIES LIST

We will be sending out a supplies/stationery list next week outlining what will need to be purchased for the upcoming school year. The list will also be uploaded to the school website for your convenience. Thank you for your support in helping the children prepare for a great start to the year!



NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS



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A big well done to Billy O'Brien in Second Class who recently competed in a triathlon in Lough Cutra and achieved an impressive 4th place! We are all very proud of his fantastic effort and determination. Well done, Billy!

Congratulations to Adam Hatton in Second Class who recently took part in a chess competition in Galway and secured an excellent 3rd place! A fantastic achievement – well done, Adam!



Congratulations to the Colga U12 team on winning the Galway League Title! A special well done to the boys in 4th and 5th Classes who were part of the team. What a fantastic achievement – we are very proud of you all!

SCHOOL TOURS

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On Tuesday, 3rd June, there was great excitement throughout the school as all classes headed off on their school tours! Each class enjoyed a fun-filled day packed with adventure, learning, and laughter. From pet farms and activity centres to museums, the children experienced a wonderful variety of outings suited to their age and interests.

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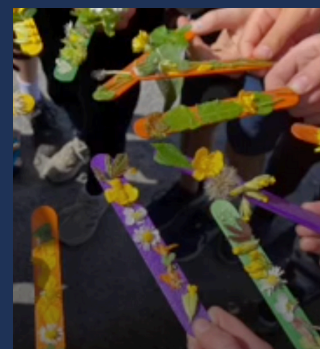


These tours are a fantastic opportunity for children to explore new environments, bond with classmates, and make lasting memories. A big thank you to all the teachers and staff who helped organise and supervise the trips, and well done to the children for representing the school so well throughout the day!

CREATIVE SCHOOLS NEWS

JUNE 2025

FOREST SCHOOLS WEEK



A big thank you to Ms. Moran for organising Forest Schools Week. The children had a fantastic time exploring nature in the Cowpark in Clarinbridge. They enjoyed nature walks, outdoor art, and a variety of fun and engaging forest school activities. It was a wonderful opportunity for hands-on learning in the great outdoors!

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BAKING & NUTRITION WORKSHOP



As part of the Creative Schools Programme, children from Junior Infants to 3rd Class took part in a fun baking and nutrition workshop. They explored healthy eating in a hands-on way while enjoying the creativity of baking.

There was great excitement as they mixed, shaped, and tasted their own creations. Thank you to all involved in organising this enjoyable and educational experience! A special thank you to Home Economics teacher Caoimhe Dowling for sharing her expertise with us.

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BURREN BEO FIELDTRIP



On Wednesday, 4th June, the children from 4th Class enjoyed a field trip with Burren Beo as part of their learning about local heritage and biodiversity. They explored the unique landscape of the Burren, learned about its flora and fauna, and took part in engaging outdoor activities. It was a wonderful day of discovery and connection with nature.

PODCASTING



Our 6th Class students have been busy learning how to use podcasting equipment and exploring the world of audio recording. We're really looking forward to hearing their podcasts in the near future – stay tuned!

STEM NEWS

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THE LEGO LEAGUE



Well done to the children in Ms. Burke's 3rd Class who recently took part in the LEGO League event held in ATU, with great support from Ms. Rushe. The LEGO League is a fun and exciting STEM competition where students work together in teams to design, build, and program LEGO robots to complete various challenges. Our students represented the school with great enthusiasm and teamwork- well done to all involved!

After the event, the class proudly showed their LEGO creations to the other classes, sharing what they learned and inspiring others to get involved in STEM activities too!

GOLD AWARD CURIOUS MINDS



We are thrilled to share that our school has been awarded the Gold Award as part of the Curious Minds programme! This national award recognises excellence in STEM education and celebrates the hands-on, inquiry-based learning that takes place in our classrooms.

A huge thank you to Ms. Rushe and Ms. Caulfield for leading this exciting project and supporting our students in exploring the world around them through curiosity and creativity. Well done to all involved!

SPORTING NEWS

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CUMANN NA MBUNSCOL CHAMPIONS!



Congratulations to our boys' Cumann na mBunscol Gaelic football team who recently won Roinn C! The team put in a brilliant performance throughout the competition and showed great determination, teamwork, and sportsmanship.

A huge thank you to Mr. Glavey, Mr. Conroy, and Ms. Caulfield for their time, encouragement, and support in preparing the team. Well done to everyone involved!

DANGAN & CHRISTY KENNEDY ATHLETICS COMPETITIONS



On Tuesday, 21st May, pupils represented our school at the Dangan Athletics in Galway, showing great effort and sportsmanship in various events.

On Thursday, 5th June, our pupils also took part in the Christy Kennedy Tournament, where the school was proudly crowned overall winners. Well done to all involved!

GRADUATION INVITATION

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