



19/10/2023

Dear Parents/guardians,

I hope you are all keeping well, and looking forward to midterm break.

**Permanent members of staff**

We are delighted to share that Ms Moore and Ms Murphy are now permanent members of Scoil Íde staff.

**Spooky Walk**

We will have a spooky walk around our neighbourhood on **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October**, this is the last day of the term. Children may dress up if they wish. Regular closing times apply on that day; 1:30 for infants and 2:30 for the rest of the school.

**Parents Association AGM**

The Parents Association AGM will take place on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October at 4pm in the school hall. We hope to see you all there.

**Junior Infant Enrolment 2024/2025**

Enrolment for 2024/2025 commenced via our school website on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October and will remain open until 6<sup>th</sup> January 2024. Click on the QR code to access the pre-enrolment form.



**Junior Infant Photographs**

The school photographer will visit on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October to take pictures of the junior infant children.

**Sacraments Information**

The parish online registration for parents to register their children for the sacraments will close on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October.

**Secondary School Applications**

Final reminder for parents of sixth class children! Application forms for Coláiste Bríde must be returned to Coláiste Bríde on or before the **27<sup>th</sup> October, 2023**.

**Maths Week**

It has been a great Maths Week so far, with lots of learning and fun. Our senior children have proven themselves to be excellent teachers. We have had riddles, games, maths trails, stations and used lots of technology; our iPads and BeeBots. Check out all of our pictures on our website. Thanks to Ms Gregson for co-ordinating a super week and to Ms Buckley and her class for all their hard work running stations for the whole school on Wednesday.



### **New Soccer Nets**

Thanks to Stephanie Bowden, mum of Jack in Junior Infants for supplying us with new nets for our goalposts. The children are very grateful. It is greatly appreciated.

### **Cricket**

We are delighted to have Naomi from Leinster Cricket work with our school for the next 4 weeks. Naomi was here yesterday and set up table cricket. It was thoroughly enjoyed by all the children who took part. Thanks to Ms Dempsey for organising this activity.

### **Room 10 – ASD Class**

Our children in room 10 have been working so well. We are thrilled to see them settle into school and we cannot wait for our new classroom to be ready. The reconfiguration work is ongoing and we hope that most of the heavy work will be completed during midterm break.

### **October Assembly**

Our October assembly will take place on Friday 27<sup>th</sup>. Handwriting Hero and Principal Prize winner certificates will be presented to children. We will also have the results of the Student Council Elections.

### **Student Council Elections**

Preparations are underway for the election of a new student council. Voting will take place next week. We look forward to the results. Thanks to Ms Ryan and Ms Murphy for leading this initiative.

### **Safe Cycling Course**

A 7-week safe cycling course for 5<sup>th</sup> class commences on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November. Topics covered will include: safe equipment; rules of the road; starting and stopping; road positioning; shoulder checking; turning left and right; overtaking and traffic manoeuvres, and on-road training.

### **Marathon Kids**

Our senior classes are continuing with their Marathon Kids programme. Keep up the great running.

### **Clondalkin RFC Blitz for 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> classes**

Ms Murphy and Ms Buckley classes will attend a rugby blitz at Clondalkin RFC on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October.

### **GAA Coaching**

Junior Infants, Ms Kelly's and Ms Moore's classes will all have GAA coaching after midterm. David will work with them every Tuesday for 4 weeks.

Keep up to date with all school news on our website [www.scoilideclondalkin.com](http://www.scoilideclondalkin.com)

*Catherine Keane and the Scoil Íde Team.*



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