



# Scoil Naomh Lorcán O'Tuathail

## (St. Laurence O'Toole's National School)

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### 21st September 2022

All children are busy in classes with many different projects and activities going on. Please remember to check our website/app for pictures and information of what is going on in individual classes and the school as a whole.

Parents are reminded of our Communication with the School Policy which is available to view on our website - parents can contact teachers by filling out a contact form on the Contact Us page and the relevant teacher will revert. All queries and issues must be addressed to the class teacher in the first instance.

Any child who has a Medical Condition is required to complete the Administration of Medicines Form. If you have not already done so, please return this form to the office so as a school we have the vital information needed in relation to your child's health. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

**Please note:** If you are unable to collect your child from school and someone else is collecting your child, you must contact the school to let them know in advance.

### Parents' Association

There will be a meeting on **Monday 26th September at 6.30pm in the school hall** for all parents to attend. Sharon Hayden from the National Parents Council will be

in attendance and will be guiding us through the establishment of a new PA for the coming school year. Sharon will be telling us about the many different activities, experiences and projects that parents can get involved in. Whether you can give your time on a once off basis or regularly throughout the year, we would love to see you there. Ms Kelly is the teacher representative on the PA and is looking forward to meeting with parents and helping to reignite our PA. All parents are invited to attend - refreshments will be served as promised!

### Cumann na mbunscol

Our 3rd to 6th class boys and girls will be participating in GAA football blitzes over the coming year. The first of these is 5th/6th class girls on 22nd September - best of luck girls!

### Cross Country Athletics

Many of our pupils are taking part in the Athletics Cross Country relays next week on 27th September. We wish all our participants the best of luck and hopefully there will be some prizes won on the day!

### Young Whistlers

Cumann na mBunscol Chill Mhantáin will hold their annual 'Young Whistlers' (Gaelic Football) course on Wednesday September 28<sup>th</sup> in Kilcoole Primary School. This course will be coordinated this year by the Games Development Officer. The course is open to one 6th class

boy and girl on the day. These Young Whistlers will be asked to help referee at upcoming Cumann na mBunscol blitzes. Here in Roundwood National School, we are delighted to say that Jack Campbell and Niamh Carpenter will be completing the course from our school. Best of luck Jack and Niamh!

### **6th Class**

All of us in 6th class are busy writing a book about recent and historic events in Roundwood. We hope to have the book ready by the end of the month. All of the 6th class pupils are invited to take part in a photo competition with the 2 winning photos being used for the front and back covers of the book. Many of us in 6th class are spending time looking to capture that perfect photo! The deadline for photos is this Friday. Ms. Kelly and Ms. Fitzpatrick will have a difficult time picking the best 2 photos! Here is one photo being entered into the competition which captures some of the beautiful scenery in the Roundwood area.



### **Admissions for 2023-2024 School Year**

Our Admissions Policy and this year's Admissions Notice can be found on our website. Please note the dates for

sending in application forms for the 2023-2024 school year:

Oct 3rd: Acceptance of applications  
Nov 25th: School ceases accepting applications  
Dec 16th: Parents notified of acceptance of place  
Jan 20th: All places must be confirmed in writing to the school

### **After Schools Activities**

Kraftworx after-school club and Spotlight theatre group will begin next week. Creative Keyboards lessons will begin on 4th October. Unfortunately, Chess Club and Anyone 4 Science after school schools have had to be postponed due to lack of interest. If you are interested in signing up at a later date in the year, please contact the organiser directly on our website.

### **Do This In Memory of Me**

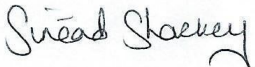
Thank you to all the parents who have volunteered to get involved with the DTIM programme which is a parish based programme and helps to prepare the children for their First Holy Communion. Fr Greene will be in contact with the parents who have expressed interest in being involved and the first DTIM mass will be held in the next few weeks.

### **European Day of Language**

To celebrate European Day of Language our Spanish students who are with us will be going around to deliver a spanish lesson to every class in the school. This is a wonderful opportunity for the boys to interact with all our Roundwood classes

and for our pupils to learn a new language from native speakers. We are looking forward to Monday!

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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Sinéad Sharkey'.

Sinéad Sharkey

### **SCHOOL NOTES**

#### **Designated Liaison Person (DLP)**

If you have any concerns of a Child Protection nature, Ms Sinéad Sharkey is the Designated Liaison Person (DLP) in the school. Any concerns can be brought directly to Ms Sharkey. If Ms Sharkey is not available, Ms Kim Kelly is the Deputy Designated Liaison Person (DDL) and will deal with any issues in the absence of Ms Sharkey.

Please note that our Child Safeguarding Statement and Risk Assessment can be viewed on our website [www.roundwoodns.ie](http://www.roundwoodns.ie)