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The Newsletter, September 2024

Fáilte thar nais!

Welcome back to Cahir NS for our new school year. We have been busy these past few weeks settling into school but also engaging in activities.

Enrolment for September 2025

Enrolment for 2025 will open on October 1st. Open Afternoon, 11 October, 1-2pm.

Splash and Dash

3rd-4th Class travelled to Tralee to participate in Splash and Dash on 11 September. This was a triathlon-like event, minus the cycling, hosted by Triathlon Ireland and Kerry Recreation and Sports Partnership. This was an event that the children had not experienced beforehand and we are so proud of the effort they showed. Thank you to Ms. Brosnan, Ms. Mahony, parents who kindly travelled and the organisers!



Turas go Baile Átha Cliath

Pupils from 6th Class travelled together on the train to Dublin on 12 September. Ms. Hanley and Ms. Mahony accompanied the group. The group saw the GPO, Trinity College, the Ór Exhibit at the National Museum of Ireland, Kildare Street and had some time on Grafton Street. The ultimate destination was the Bord Gáis Energy Theatre where the group experienced a performance of Wicked. The talented cast were deeply impressive!

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Gardening with Stephanie

The school children had time gardening with Stephanie on 19 September. We are incredibly proud of our garden and love the chance to get stuck in and do some jobs. Children weeded, planted and pulled vegetables, including some extraordinary carrots! Look out for our daffodils in the spring ☺

Ceol le Peggy

Peggy Healy is back to undertake music and singing with our pupils. Peggy will work with us every Friday (excluding 25 October) until 6 December. We have a new initiative this year: a choir from 2nd -6th Class. We are every excited about our choir and look forward to future performances.

Art with Julieann

Julieann Foley is a local glass artist. Ms. Hanley undertook a course during the summer which resulted in the school securing an artist to work with the children. Julieann will come on 4th, 11th and 18th October. Glass work for display in the school will be the final result.

French with Mme. Brosnan

The school is taking part in the Say Yes to Languages initiative. This means 4th-6th Class will have 10 French lessons with Ms. Hilary Brosnan between 27 September and the end of January. Dates must be finalised. We are very grateful to Ms. Brosnan for agreeing to undertake the programme with us.

Staff

We are incredibly lucky to have an extraordinary team of SNAs this year. Sandra Mahony and Niamh Geraghty are job-sharing in Ms. Hanley's classroom. Susan Hennessy and Theresa O'Shea are job-sharing in Ms. Lynch's classroom. Síle Browne is working with us while Ms. O'Shea is on leave.

It is SNA Appreciation Day on Thursday, 26 September. We truly appreciate all of our fabulous SNAs here in Cahir NS!

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Cumann na mBunscol

Cahir NS fielded a mixed team of girls and boys (3rd-6th Class) as part of the Cumann na mBunscol competition on 23 September. This was a competition for the two-teacher schools of the area. We defeated Tahilla and met Bonane in the final. Bonane got the better of us but we are so proud of our pupils! Our pupils showed great determination. Thank you to Ms. Brosnan and Ms. Browne for leading the group. Thank you to all the parents who supported and also offered lifts. Well done to Bonane and good luck in the next round!

Solar Panels

Schools in County Kerry were given Departmental funding to install solar panels. Our solar panels have been installed on the flat roof above the office.

Parents' Association

Chairperson: Ciara O'Sullivan

Secretary: Ciara Palmer

Treasurer: Tracy O'Grady

Deputy Treasurer: Jessica Truman

The Parents' Association will meet on 26 September at 7pm. All are welcome.

Reminders for the Diary

The Dialann has been updated and accompanies this newsletter.

Mr. Chuck Delpier: Thursday, 26 September for science activities.

Pierce McGill, Kerry GAA: Thursday, 26 September for Gaelic Football.

School Photographs with Tom Naiman: Wednesday, 2 October.

School Closed on 7 October.