



KILLASHEE MULTI-DENOMINATIONAL NATIONAL SCHOOL

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September Newsletter 2024

A note from the principal:

Welcome back everyone,

It is lovely to see all of the children back and settled in to a routine. It is hard to believe that we are almost a month back at school. A special welcome to our new Junior Infants and to the new pupils who have joined various classes throughout the school. We hope you will be very happy with us here at Killashee. A warm welcome to Ms. Laura Seale who will be working with the Special Education Team this year. We are looking forward to all that the new school year has to bring. It has already been a very busy start in all of the classes and the pupils are working so hard already.

Kind regards,

Marian Fox

Staff Contacts

Please contact your class teacher /SET via the following emails:

There is no need to send reasons with absences to the main office.

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What have we been up to?

Playball and drama have recommenced this month. We are delighted to welcome back Dave and the Playball team and Mary for drama.



Our local **community guard**, Garda Shane Smyth visited 3rd and 4th classes at the beginning of September. He worked with the children from these classes on Cycle Safety today. They brought their bicycles and helmets to school to use as part of a practical programme in cycle safety. The children learned a lot and really enjoyed it.



European School Sports Day will take place on Friday 27th September. The children may wear their own sports gear on that day and will participate in a variety of activities with their teacher throughout the day. This is not a fundraising event. Please make sure to wear suitable clothing and footwear for this tomorrow.

U11 Cumann na mBunscol: This competition has re-commenced for both boys and girls in the senior classes who are U11. We wish both teams well in the competition. A special thanks to Mr. Corcoran for taking the boys team this year. The final round of matches will take place for boys and girls next week.

5th Class History Project: This year 5th Class will participate in a history project called 'Stories To Remember'. In the 1930's stories were collected and recorded in the National Folklore Schools Collection from primary school pupils. Historian Chris Thompson will visit 5th Class to discuss with them ideas for participating in this project throughout the year. We are looking forward to collecting stories from parents and grandparents both locally and internationally and archiving them for future generations to come.

Peace Proms: 5th & 6th Class will participate in Peace Proms this year. Children are given the opportunity to perform with the full symphony youth orchestra and work with leading professional conductors. During the programme, participating children will develop vocal technique, presentation and performance, and immerse themselves in a variety of musical styles and genres. Thanks to Ms Cassidy for organising and co-ordinating this.





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School Councils: Work is well underway in various classes for electing members for Student Council, Active Schools Committee, Green Schools Committee and An Coiste Gaeilge. We will introduce committee members in the October newsletter. Thanks to Mr Sheehan, Ms O'Connor and Ms Edgeworth for working with the various different committees.

Assembly: Well done to Ms Bostrom and all of the pupils of 5th class who led a fantastic assembly on the use of Irish Sign Language this month. We all certainly learned a lot of useful signs and ISL finger spelling. Some pupils are learning how to spell their name using ISL. We will wait and see what class might be leading assembly at some stage in the month of October.

SNA Appreciation Day: We celebrated the first ever SNA appreciation day with our SNAs today. We really appreciate all of the work that Ms Kearney, Ms Butler, Ms Moone and Ms Wynne do for both the school and our children here at Killashee.

Dates for your diaries:

The school will be closed on Monday 7th October 2024, to facilitate staff training on the New Primary Maths Curriculum, by the Department of Education.

PTA News:

PTA Contacts: The new PTA has formed this year and we wish them well with all of their endeavours in support of the school. We are very lucky to have such a hard working PTA to support us here in Killashee. The following are the reps for each class, please contact them if you are not part of the What's App group for each class.

Junior Infants	Junior Infants - Corah Gernon (085 783 7467)
Senior Infants	Senior Infants - Adele O'Sullivan (089 606 2994)
1st	1st Class - Tina Amiadamhen (087 949 7377) & Denise Kelly (087 350 7715)
2 nd	2nd Class - Sarah Broderick (087 797 6782) & Niamh Brady (085 743 5268)
3rd	3rd Class - Sharon Delaney (087 234 5350) & Kate Hennebry (086 088 9385)
4 th	4th Class - Catriona de Robeck (087 798 0862) & Linda Armstrong (087 616 6133)
5 th	5th Class - Judith Timmins (087 923 2995) & Fionnuala Costello (087 618 8841)
6 th	Ms Cassidy's 6th Class - Katie Keating (085 7300 582) & Natalie Queally (087 335 3338) Mr Sheehan's 6th Class - Amy Devine (087 987 2925) & Nathalie



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Go Phone Free: This talk took place for parents of 1st-6th Class on Wednesday 18th for schools in the Naas area. Each family received an expression of interest form, and this can be returned to the class teacher. The Parent's Association are co-ordinating this project. Charters will then be issued and those can be kept at home. We thank the Parents Association for co-ordinating this very worthwhile project.

Reminder:

Please check the lost property in the disabled toilet on the main corridor for lost property. We have tried to return anything with a name on it. Items with no names will be removed by the end of next week.