



Ard Rí Community National School

May and June Points To Note

Party Invitations: We would like to advise parents that staff will no longer be circulating invitations to parties among children. Giving out invitations is time consuming but most of all children who do not receive an invitation can be left feeling very upset. We ask all organisation of parties be carried out outside of school. Thank you in advance for your co-operation on this matter.

School Gate: There have been a number of minor collisions at the school gate. In order to avoid this I ask that everyone entering the school uses the small gate and people leaving the school leave by the big gate. All children must push their bicycles and scooters while in the school yard. Please continue to drive carefully and cars should not drive up the avenue without prior arrangement.

Thank you: I am always nervous thanking people publically in case I leave someone out however I must thank the Bhatnagaar, Raguraman and Marjara families, Nilesh Patil and the Parent Association and volunteers for helping to make the Indian Holi Festival a great success. The Holi celebration will live forever in all our memories. Thank you.

Anti-Bullying: If you are concerned about bullying report it directly and promptly to your child's teacher. Children must remember to keep the school rules: *Kind Hands, Kind Feet and Kind Words*.

May Bank Holiday	School Closed	1 st of May
June Bank Holiday	School Closed	5 th of June
Summer Holidays	School Closed	28 th of June 12pm

Swimming: You will receive a note about swimming and our swimming policy along with this newsletter. Attendance at this course fulfils the Aquatics strand of the PE Curriculum. We hope all children will attend swimming. If you are unable to send your child swimming due to financial reasons please come and speak to Darragh. There will be an information session for all parents, but especially parents of children who have not attended swimming before, on Tuesday 2nd May in the school hall at 9am.

Ard Rí Kickhams and Football: Thank you to everyone who volunteers to train at Ard Rí Kickhams. There will be times in May and June when the school is simply too busy on Thursdays and Fridays to run these clubs. There will be a text sent each week to confirm whether Kickhams and football will be on.

Gaelic Games: We are delighted to welcome Gordon Ward, Meath Youth Development Officer, to coach Gaelic football at Ard Rí Community National School. Gordon will be coaching fundamental football skills to the boys and girls on Wednesdays. Coaching will be week on/week off with Junior Infants, Senior Infants and First Class one week and Second Class, Third Class, Fourth and Fifth Class on the next week until the summer holidays. Second Class and up can tog out for this activity and younger classes wear their tracksuits.



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Would You Believe? : Ard Rí Community National School will feature in an RTE Would You Believe? Documentary which is being aired on RTE1 on Sunday 07.05.2017 at 10.30pm. The documentary explains the various ethos options which exist for primary school children in Ireland today. I would like to thank the parents, teachers and children from Second and Third Class who took part in the filming of this documentary.

Junior Infant Open Day: The school will be open to the Junior Infants of September 2017 and their families on Friday 9th of June from 10-11am.

Active Week: Active week will provisionally run from 12th-16th of June. There will be activities every day. Everyone is welcome to pack a picnic and attend the Sports Day on Friday 16th of June. Children should wear their tracksuits every day that week. Further information will be circulated closer to the time.

School Tours: The details of school tours have been finalised. You will receive a letter from your child's class teacher shortly with all you need to know.

Ard Rí Summer Camp will run from 3rd -7th of July and caters for incoming Junior Infants up to 4th Class. This action-packed camp offers sport, art, drama, music and creative activities in a structured routine, run by experienced teachers. Camp registration forms will be distributed by class teachers shortly.

There are still places available at Ard Rí Community National School for September 2017. Please tell your friends and neighbours about Ard Rí. Prospective parents can make an appointment to come and see the school by calling the office on 087-1341007.