



Ard Rí Community National School

Ard Rí C.N.S, Balreask Old, Navan, Co. Meath.

Principal: Darragh Roe

Roll No 20352T



Last Few Points to Note- June 2021

We are on the home straight...

The staff of Ard Rí CNS would like to sincerely thank parents for their very generous end of year gifts. This year we would like to *pay it forward* to the 'Help Nahyan Fight Cancer' charity. We will add the staff pot and the parent gift together. Our #ArdRiUltra4Nahyan was our highlight of the year and I encourage you to support any more Warrior Nahyan fundraisers taking place over the summer months.

Paddy from [FUNiture 68](#) donated a beautiful Mud Kitchen. We raffled the prize among everyone who used #ArdRiUltra4Nahyan on GoFundMe and we are delighted to announce the winner of this wonderful prize was Sarah Fitzpatrick. Sarah is the Principal of Brannoxtown CNS so the kitchen will be making its way to County Kildare this summer...enjoy!

We have done our best to explain to children where their classroom for next year will be. I hope we didn't confuse anyone too much! Recruitment for 21/22 school year is already underway and we will notify you of who your child's class teacher will be for next year as soon as we know ourselves.

The past 2 academic years have been the most challenging of my career. Restrictions have disrupted and changed every aspect of school life from increased admin, to the role of teachers and SNAs to the day to day school life of children. For the moment, we are preparing to continue with the same processes we have in place in relation to; set down and pick up, handwashing and school cleaning, pods and bubbles, staggered yard time etc. There will be new guidelines in the coming months. We will keep up to date. Thankfully there is light and we look forward to throwing the gates open and bringing you all in again as soon as possible.

I would like to extend a huge thank you to children and parents for all for showing up every day and giving it your best shot. We have an amazing community. Thank you to Shelley, Ciara and all the Parent Association who supported the running of school 100% over the past two years. At a time when we could not congregate you strove to hold the parent community together and keep home-school links strong. Well done to you all.



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To our graduates, we wish you all the very best as you continue your journey to Beaufort College, Coláiste na Mí, Loreto Secondary School, St Joseph's Mercy Secondary School, St Patrick's Classical School, Dunshaughlin College and Coláiste Pobail Ráth Chairn. We are very proud of you all. To ensure safety and social distancing we will hold the traditional Ard Rí Guard of Honour ceremony at 10:30am. We will have a chance to say goodbye to parents and children on pitch 2.



Tomorrow buses can collect from 11.30. Classes Junior Infants-Second will be dismissed from 11.50-12.00 and Third to Fifth from 12.00-12.10. The car park will be busier than usual so please be patient.

Finally, I would like to thank the wonderful team at Ard Rí for their dedication and commitment again this year. Through face masks and all, you maintained a happy, joyful, fun and positive environment in the school. Your creativity and innovation never failed. A massive well done to you all.

Have a great summer. Recharge your batteries and create memories which will last a lifetime.

Keep going,

Darragh