



Ard Rí Community National School

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Last Few Points to Note June 2022

Hi everyone,

Our projected enrolment for September 2022 currently stands at 312 pupils. Last Thursday we were notified by the Department of Education we have been provisionally sanctioned our 12th classroom teacher. This is great news. A minimum enrolment of 309 pupils on 30th September 2022 will hold this 12th post. If we have fewer than 309 pupils we will return to 11 teachers after the October 2022 mid-term! There would be possibility of appeal etc.

Even though the margin is tight we are now preparing to open 12 classrooms in September. We will open two Junior Infant classes and there will be no change for pupils moving into Senior Infants to Third Class.

There will be some change for pupils going into 4th, 5th and 6th Classes. From September these pupils will learn in 4 classes as follows:

4 th Class	4 th Class/ 5 th Class	5 th Class/ 6 th Class	6 th Class
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Pupils have had great success learning in multi-grade classes at Ard Rí CNS over the years. Most of these children have learned in multi grade before. Our teachers have built up good experience in teaching multi grade. There are opportunities for pupils to develop leadership skills, be exposed to more challenging topics and revise content from previous years. When we reconfigure classes we do our best to find balance and incorporate friendships.

If your child is going into 4th, 5th or 6th Class in September please complete this survey: <https://forms.office.com/r/zQTcFHry8y> There will be a short information session for parents with pupils going into 4th, 5th and 6th in the school hall on Friday morning at 9am.

While it will not be possible to introduce *all* children to their new teachers before summer recruitment has taken place, we will show children their new classrooms and introduce them to their new teachers where possible.

On a lighter note, it is hard to believe we are inside the last two weeks of the school year. Our Active and Wellness Week (and a half!) is in full swing. There are lots of different events going on at the minute so here is a whistle stop tour of what you need to know.

- **Monday 13th June**- Mindful Monday
- **Tuesday 14th June**- Treasure Hunt/ Orienteering/ Summer Soccer League Finals/ Teddy Bear Picnic (JI-1st Class)

Wednesday 15th June- Monster Mile

The Monster Mile is a Parent Association Fundraiser Event. We will be making use of the new walkway around the Rugby Club. Children dress up in crazy clothes (don't buy anything new- shorts over tracksuit or backwards jumper, colourful hats or an old superhero costume will be fine) and complete a variety of monster challenges along the way. **Please bring €2 to pop in the bucket at the school gate.**

- **Thursday 16th June**- Healthy Eating Promotion Day. Classes will make a beautiful Ard Rí Sunrise smoothie. **Children please bring a plastic cup to drink their smoothie from.**
- **Friday 17th June**- Community Sports Day. We invite families to pack a picnic and come to the school at 12 midday for our classic races.
- **Monday 20th June**- Sixth Class Leaders will be organising active challenges and quizzes for the whole school.
- **Tuesday 21st June**- The world famous Ard Rí Grand Prix will return. Children can bring their bicycles and scooters to school this day. **Helmets must be worn.**
- **Wednesday 22nd June**- School Sports Day and Staff Vs Students match

School Reports will be available on Aladdin in the next few days.

Pre-Loved Uniforms

Our Parent Association will be running the Pre-Loved Uniform Shop again this year. Please drop any good condition school jumpers and tracksuits and perfect condition shirts, trousers, pinafores etc. to the school this week. Uniforms will be available for collection from the Rugby Club Stands on next Monday and Tuesday morning. There is no cost for this service but you can throw a Euro in the bucket if you would like to make a donation to the Parent Association fund.

School Uniform: Geoghegans have asked us to tell parents not to leave it until August to buy new uniforms for next year. While they have a good stock in store, long lead in order times may mean some uniforms may not be in time before September.

Rang 6- Go confidently in the direction of your dreams...



It is with great sadness that we will soon be parting ways with our 6th class pupils. From September 2014 to June 2022 we have watched them grow and blossom, stumble and get back up, share their stories and talents, learn to read and count, we have cried together and we have laughed together. We are sure they are ready to face the challenges of post primary school.

We would like to welcome families of 6th Class pupils and the families of their friends in 5th Class to join us for graduation ceremony on Monday 20th June at 6pm. We will also have the traditional guard of honour ceremony on Friday 24th June- to see them off just before school finishes at 11:50ish.

