



# Ard Rí Community National School

Ard Rí C.N.S, Balreask Old, Navan, Co. Meath.  
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Roll No 20352T



## September 2022



*Welcome to the Junior Infant class of September 2022*

Here we go...

Welcome everybody to our first newsletter of the new school year. There is a lot going on so please read carefully.

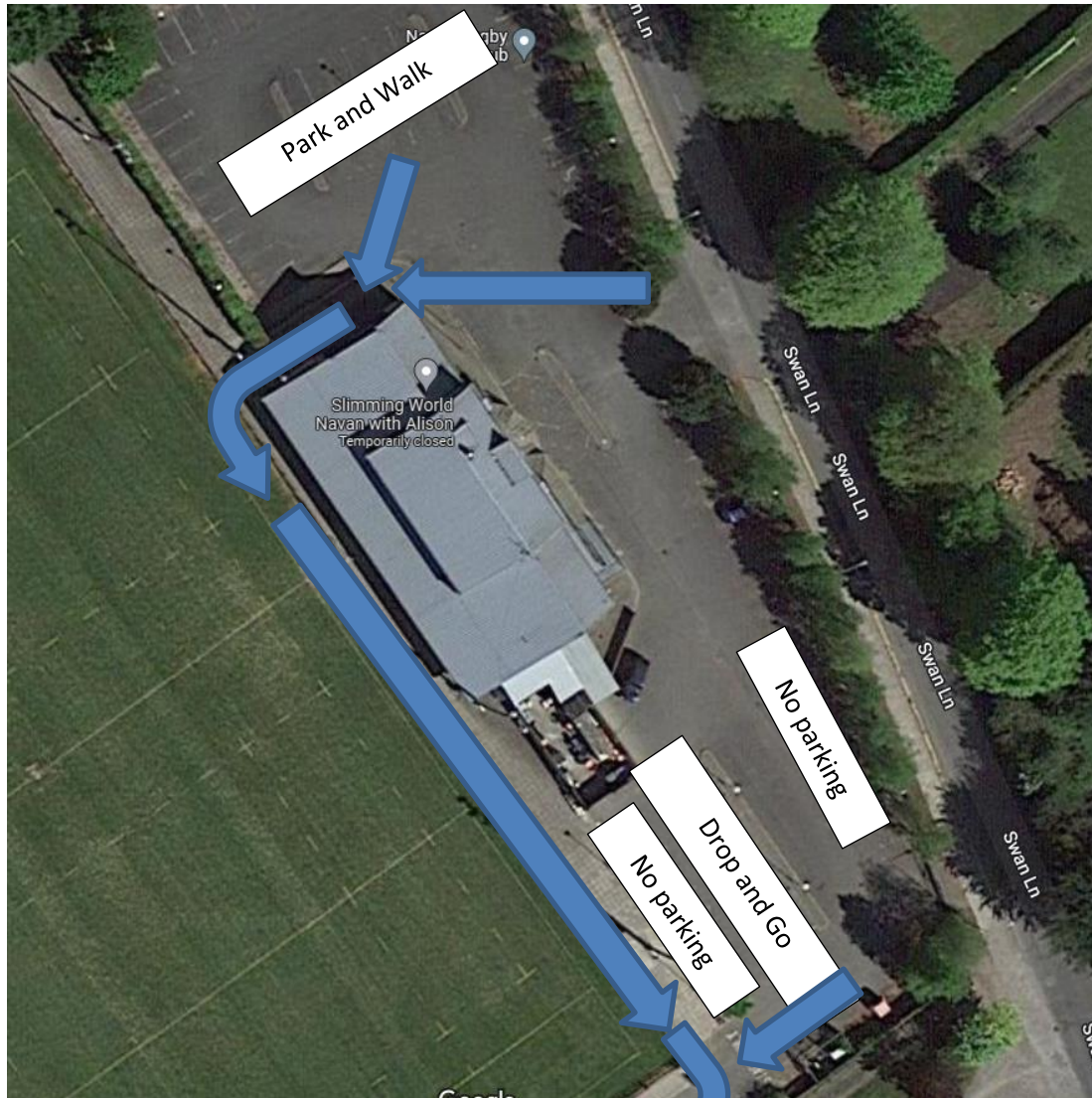
### Enrolment

At Ard Rí Community NS we now have 310 pupils across 12 classrooms. We will confirm our teacher allocation to you at the end of the month once everything has settled down and we have received confirmation. We still have some school places available. If you know anyone looking for a school place please ask them to give me a call.

The enrolment process for September 2023 will begin next month. If you have a child starting Junior Infants in September 2023 please complete this

[Expression of Interest Form.](#)

## Morning Drop-off



We encourage as many people as possible to travel to school by foot. If you come to school by car there are two options.

1. **Drop and Go**- Pull in at the island. Adults stay in the car. Darragh and Karen will be there to open your door. Children pop out and independently walk up the avenue to school.
2. **Park and Walk**- Reverse into a spot at the Ardboyne end. Walk with your child along the path beside the rugby club pitches and up the avenue to school

In the morning there can be no parking in the drop and go area or in the first 8 spaces beside the entrance gate.

### Tracksuit Days

Movement is a very important part of life at Ard Rí CNS. Children wear their school tracksuit two days per week as per schedule below. Everyone must make a genuine effort to wear the correct uniform to school (this does not include football strips, branded gear etc).

<u>Múinteoir</u>	Tracksuit days
Niamh	<b>Wednesday &amp; Friday</b>
Laura	<b>Tuesday &amp; Thursday</b>
<u>Ailis</u>	<b>Tuesday &amp; Thursday</b>
Angela	<b>Monday &amp; Wednesday</b>
Rachel	<b>Monday &amp; Friday</b>
Wilma	<b>Monday &amp; Wednesday</b>
Ruth	<b>Monday &amp; Tuesday</b>
Jack	<b>Tuesday &amp; Wednesday</b>
Niamh	<b>Tuesday &amp; Thursday</b>
<u>Gráinne</u>	<b>Tuesday &amp; Friday</b>
Claire	<b>Tuesday &amp; Thursday</b>
<u>Cailín</u>	<b>Tuesday &amp; Friday</b>



### **Music Generation** **Meath/na Mí**

We are delighted to introduce Music Generation. Every child will benefit from a 28-week music enrichment programme from an expert musician educator. Children from Junior Infants to First will learn Music Fundamentals on Tuesdays and children in classes Second to Sixth will learn to play the Ukulele on Mondays (class set of instruments provided). There is a small cost for these lessons. We will be doing some fund-raising to meet this cost and collect the balance later in the year.

### Swimming

Ranganna Gráinne, Jack, Niamh Hogan and Rachel will have a 6 week term of swimming on Tuesdays 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> of September and 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of October. Junior Infants do not go swimming. All other classes will go to the pool in April and May. We will send a letter to classes starting swimming this month shortly.



We have a school lunch service available for pupils. Download The Lunchbox app and order before 12noon for next day delivery ([more info](#)). If you need any help getting set up just let us know.

### Mobile Phone Policy

Pupils are not allowed to bring personal and internet-enabled devices into Ard Rí CNS, including but not limited to; phones, smart phones, smart watches, devices with cameras or gaming functions, iPad, iPod, tablet, laptop, leapfrog etc. In case of emergency pupils can contact you or be contacted through the school office. [Pupil Internet Safety Acceptable Use Policy \(AUP\)](#)

### Community Links

We are always delighted to share information on clubs and extra-curricular activities available in our community:

- For information on Polish Saturday School ([click here](#))
- Navan O'Mahoneys Gaelic Football, Hurling and Camogie ([click here](#))
- Bective Gaelic Football Club ([click here](#))

### **Cumann na mBunscol**

We wish the best of luck to the children representing Ard Rí CNS in the upcoming Gaelic Football competitions. Let's Go Ard Rí, Let's Go...



*A throwback to our athletes representing Ard Rí at Claremont Stadium*

### **School Photographer**

Memory Lane school photographer will visit the school on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2022. All children wear formal uniform. There will be group photos of Junior Infants and 6th Class and a portrait taken for every family in the school. There is no obligation to purchase photographs. If you do not want your child's photo taken please email [ArdRiCNS@Imetb.ie](mailto:ArdRiCNS@Imetb.ie) to let us know.

### **School Fees**

Please make payments for school fees as soon as possible. If you are having technical difficulties with Way2Pay call Debi. If you are experiencing financial difficulty, please contact me and we will come up with a plan together.