



Ard Rí Community National School

Ard Rí C.N.S, Balreask Old, Navan, Co. Meath.
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School Calendar 24/25 is now available on our website: [click here](#)

Pupil Safety: Worryingly, we have seen a sharp rise in the number of pupils hitting out in the last two weeks. Physical violence and aggression is simply not acceptable in our community. We deal with each incident separately and apply the [Code of Behaviour](#) as appropriate. Please talk to your child about this very serious matter. Please coach your child, if they are hit or threatened to Say Stop, Walk Away and Tell a Teacher. There is always supervision and a teacher close-by to offer support.

School Tours: We are delighted to announce children will be going on school tour as follows:

Class	Destination	Date	Cost
Junior and Senior Infants	Mellowe's Adventure Centre	29th May	€25
1st & 2nd Class	Crystal Maze- Royal Breffni Tours	9th May	€30
3rd, 4th & 5th Class	Lullymore Heritage and Discovery Park	20th May	€30
6th Class	Tayto Park	31st May	€35

All school events are run at cost price. We make every effort to be as economical as possible. We are going a little bit earlier to avail of cheaper rates and bringing larger groups to benefit from economies of scale. Bus prices have inflated. Please understand this is outside our control.

You have received a Way2Pay bill. Please know there is an option on Way2Pay to make staged payment. We never discuss payments with children.

Community Games: Ard Rí CNS are delighted to support Cairn Community Games every year. Our pupils living in the Navan and Johnstown/Walterstown areas enjoyed great success this year especially in Art, Handwriting and chess. Please see poster below advertising the Athletics Area Finals. All children living in the Navan, Walterstown/Johnstown area are invited to attend.



Athletics Area Finals
Navan and
Walterstown/ Johnstown
Claremont Stadium
Monday 6th May
Registration 10:30am

**Sprints and Middle
Distances**

U8, U10, U12, U14, U16

Hurdles

U10, U14

Various Field Events

U12, U14, U16

Entry Fee €2 per child

All children living in the Navan
or Walterstown/Johnstown area
are invited to participate in
our fun day of Athletics

Career Day: Every year our Parent Association run a community event for our pupils. This year's event will focus on the jobs and careers of people in our community. On Friday the 10th of May (9.30-12) we will host a range of talks for our pupils with people from a wide range of jobs. We could do with maybe 5 more volunteers to fill the programme. Please get in touch!

Bedtime Stories: At Ard Rí CNS we want all our children to have positive association with reading and to become lifelong readers. We invite children (and their parents) from classes Infants to 1st to come to school at 6pm on Wednesday 15th May, dressed in pyjamas and bring a teddy and their favourite book for a 30-minute reading activity.

Hot School Meals: We are working very closely with [The Lunch Bag](#) to get Hot School Meals service in place for our pupils. Our target launch date for the hot meal service is the 17th May and the start date is on the 21st of May. There will be a lot more information on this very shortly.

Incoming Pupil Orientation: We look forward to welcoming our incoming pupils for September 24 to the school for a visit and a look around on 29th May. Save the date.

6th Class Graduation: will be held in the Ardboyne Hotel on the evening of the 6th of June. We will have more details on this through the class shortly.

School Bus: Our school bus service ceased without notice this week. I am in touch with another provider about taking over the route. I will hopefully have more information about this service very soon.