



Ard Rí Community National School

Ard Rí C.N.S, Balreask Old, Navan, Co. Meath.
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Newsletter June 2023

Ard Rí CNS are getting up and active for the month of June. We will be spending more time outdoors so slop on some sunscreen and slap on a hat every day (and bring a coat, it is Ireland after all!). Bring plenty of water to stay hydrated.

There will be no written homework starting from today. There might be some alternative activity-based assignments and we encourage you to embrace these fully.

The Lunch Bag

I hope everyone is enjoying the Hot School Meals. In the classrooms the meals have been very warmly received. Our friends at The Lunch Bag have warned us [The Novelty Factor](#) can wear off and children become bored and start requesting something different. With over 30 options on the menu, which change seasonally I encourage you to keep changing your child's menu to broaden their palate. We have had reports of previously picky eaters gobbling up broccoli bake because they saw their friends doing it. Keep the snacks small so children have a good appetite for their main meal. Work with your child to pick heir meals, the child will feel they have control and choice.

Active & Wellness Week

will be held next week (10th – 14th June) and we are planning lots of activities to encourage the children to be active, get outdoors, be healthy and have fun with their friends.

Ard Rí CNS will be going 'no-uniform' from Monday 10th of June for the rest of the school year.

Active Week

Active Week in collaboration with Green Schools are encouraging the children to partake in "Scoot to School Week". During Active Week...get your scoot on!

Monday 10th June	Ard Rí's Fittest Clan 6 th Class will be leading active challenges/obstacle courses for classes to partake in throughout the day.
	FAI Summer Camp Session FAI coaches will be coming to hold a soccer style summer camp session for girls and boys in 4 th , 5 th and 6 th classes
Tuesday 11th June	Throwback Tuesday Past pupils will be welcomed back to Ard Rí to speak to classes about their sporting achievements since leaving the school.
	Rugby with Stephen Stephen for Navan Rugby Club will be in with Second and Third Class to work on the basics of tag rugby.
Wednesday 12th June	Sports Day 6 th Class again will be working hard to organise different stations for a junior and senior Sport's Day.
	GAA with Ruth GPO Ruth will be in with Junior Infants, Senior Infants and First Class working on the fundamentals of GAA.
Thursday 13th June	Ard Rí Grand Prix Children can bring in their bicycle or scooter on the day and will have the opportunity along with the class to cycle around the new Rugby path.
Friday 14th June	Parents' Association Carnival Classes can The Parents' Association Carnival which is running again this year!
	Students Vs. Staff The students of Ard Rí will have the tricky task of taking on the staff on Friday afternoon in a competition which is still to be confirmed.

Student Direct Costs 2024/2025: Schoolbooks for children in Irish primary schools, are now provided to every child for free. The school will use the grant to cover the cost of schoolbooks, workbooks, copybooks, classroom related resources, shared books, photocopying and Art&Craft.

Last year parents paid for music lessons through Music Generation. We will not be continuing with Music Generation. We have purchased a Music Programme called Dabbledoo Music. The cost of the programme will be paid using the book grant and it will be delivered by our own teachers.

The cost to parents for school year 23/24 will be €15 per child. A Way2Pay bill will be raised on your account in the coming weeks. This money will directly pay for:

- €8.00 Aladdin
- €7.00 Pupil Accident Insurance through Irish Public Bodies Insurance

Each child will require a well-stocked pencil case:

Jl, Sl, 1 st	2 nd , 3 rd	4 th , 5 th , 6 th
5 triangular grip pencils	5 HB pencils	5 HB pencils
Sharpener – large enough to pare triangular pencil	Sharpener	Sharpener
Rubber	Rubber	Rubber
Twistables	Twistables/ colouring pencils	Colouring pencils
	2 red biros	2 red biros
	30cm ruler	30 cm ruler
		Pupils with pen licence can use handwriting pen
Pritt Stick	Pritt Stick	Pritt Stick
Please note:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All stationary is to be labelled with your child's name • Markers are not permitted in school 		

6th Class Graduation

will take place at 6pm on Thursday 6th of June in the Ardboyne Hotel. There will be lots of space for guests to attend this milestone event.

We invite everyone to attend the Guard of Honour for our 6th Class pupils as they leave the school for the last time at 11:45 on Friday 21st of June. What song will they choose this year??

New school uniforms

are now available for purchase from Geoghegan's Department Store, Trimgate Street, Navan. Please do not leave it until August to get your uniforms sorted. ([more info](#))


Our Parent Association are holding the Pre-Loved Uniform Shop during the last week of school. Next week please drop in any washed, good condition school jumpers, school tracksuits and coats to the school. **We will not be accepting shirts, t-shirts, skirts or trousers.** The pre-loved uniforms will be available to parents on the last week of school. Thank you in advance for your support.

School Reports

We are putting the final touches to School Reports. Reports will be launched on Aladdin early next week. Please review the report and if you have any feedback you can send it by email to ArdRiCNS@lmetb.ie. We can print report for you upon request. Aladdin software will allow us to Google Translate the report into a broad range of languages. If you would like us to translate the report please just let us know.

Summer Holidays


School will close for Summer Holidays at 12midday on 21st of June. Calendar for school year 2024/25 is available on our website. ([more info](#)) School attendance is very important. When booking holidays please stick to the days off marked in blue below.



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2024 - 2025

School Hours					
Morning Start Time: 9.00am Hometime: Infants: 1.40pm 1st-6th: 2.40pm					
					

January 2025					
School Re-Opens 06.01.2025					
P/T Meetings 21 & 22.01.2025					
M	Tu	W	Th	F	
		1	2	3	
6	7	8	9	10	5
13	14	15	16	17	5
20	21	22	23	24	5
27	28	29	30	31	5

July 2024					
M	Tu	W	Th	F	
1	2	3	4	5	
8	9	10	11	12	
15	16	17	18	19	
22	23	24	25	26	
29	30	31			

February 2025					
February Bank Holiday 03.02.2025					
Mid-Term Break 17.02.2025 - 21.02.2025					
M	Tu	W	Th	F	
		3	4	5	6
10	11	12	13	14	4
17	18	19	20	21	5
24	25	26	27	28	5

August 2024					
School Re-opens All 28.08.2024					
M	Tu	W	Th	F	
			1	2	
5	6	7	8	9	
12	13	14	15	16	
19	20	21	22	23	
26	27	28	29	30	3

March 2025					
St. Patrick's Day 17.03.2025					
M	Tu	W	Th	F	
3	4	5	6	7	5
10	11	12	13	14	5
17	18	19	20	21	4
24	25	26	27	28	5
31					1

September 2024					
M	Tu	W	Th	F	
2	3	4	5	6	5
9	10	11	12	13	5
16	17	18	19	20	5
23	24	25	26	27	5
30					1

April 2025					
Easter Holidays 14.04.2025 - 25.05.2025					
M	Tu	W	Th	F	
	1	2	3	4	4
7	8	9	10	11	5
14	15	16	17	18	5
21	22	23	24	25	3
28	29	30			3

October 2024					
Halloween Break 28.10.2024 - 01.11.2024					
M	Tu	W	Th	F	
	1	2	3	4	4
7	8	9	10	11	5
14	15	16	17	18	5
21	22	23	24	25	5
28	29	30	31		5

May 2025					
May Bank Holiday 05.05.2025					
M	Tu	W	Th	F	
			1	2	2
5	6	7	8	9	4
12	13	14	15	16	5
19	20	21	22	23	5
26	27	28	29	30	5

November 2024					
School Re-Opens 04.11.2024					
M	Tu	W	Th	F	
				1	
4	5	6	7	8	5
11	12	13	14	15	5
18	19	20	21	22	5
25	26	27	28	29	5

June 2025					
June Bank Holiday 02.06.2025					
Summer Holidays 25.06.2025					
M	Tu	W	Th	F	
	2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13	5
16	17	18	19	20	5
23	24	25	26	27	3
30					5

December 2024					
Christmas Holidays 23.12.2024 - 03.01.2025					
M	Tu	W	Th	F	
2	3	4	5	6	5
9	10	11	12	13	5
16	17	18	19	20	5
23	24	25	26	27	5
30	31				

Important Information					
School Holidays 78 Bank Holidays (School Closed) 104 Save the Date 182					

Some dates have yet to be decided eg Educational Tours. You will be informed as soon as dates are finalised. While we endeavor to make the calendar as accurate as possible, there may be some unavoidable changes.