



Ard Rí Community National School

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



Newsletter June 2026

Planning for September 2026

We are currently busy planning for the new school year, including teacher recruitment, class allocations, furniture, school books and more. As most of our classes now have waiting lists, it is very important that we know if your child will not be returning to Ard Rí CNS in September. If your circumstances have changed, please let us know as soon as possible so we can ensure a smooth and well-organised start to the new school year.

E-scooters

Under the Road Traffic (Electric Scooters) Regulations 2024, it is illegal for any person under 16 years of age to ride an e-scooter in a public place, including footpaths, cycle lanes, parks and other public spaces. E-scooters pose a significant risk of serious injury to younger users and to other members of our community.

Pupils are not permitted to ride e-scooters to or from Ard Rí CNS. The school will not store e-scooters on the premises.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and full cooperation in this matter.



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Active and Wellness Week: 8th to 12th June

Next week is Active and Wellness Week, and we're planning lots of fun and engaging activities to encourage the children to be active, get outdoors, stay healthy and enjoy time with their friends. As we'll be spending more time outside, please remember to: Slop on some sunscreen, slap on a hat, bring a coat (it is Ireland, after all!) and bring plenty of water to stay hydrated.

No More Written Homework from Monday 8th June! From today, written homework will be reduced and some classes are just completing project work. Next week, children will receive alternative, activity-based assignments and we encourage families to fully embrace these fun and healthy challenges.

No Uniform from Monday 8th June! Starting Monday, 8th June, children can wear their active wear for the rest of the school year. Please ensure clothing is comfortable and suitable for active outdoor play.

PA Preloved Uniform Shop

The Parent Association will be collecting clean, good-condition school jumpers and tracksuits, as well as brand-new trousers, skirts, shirts and t-shirts, on the mornings of **Monday 8th** and **Tuesday 9th June** at the Rugby Club stands

These items will be sorted and made available for redistribution before school on **Monday 15th** and **Tuesday 16th June** at the Rugby Club stands

Thank you for your support in promoting sustainability and helping our school community!



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Free School Books & Student Costs 2026/27

As part of the Free School Books Scheme, all schoolbooks, workbooks, copybooks, classroom resources, shared books, photocopying and Art & Craft materials will be provided free of charge to every child in Irish primary schools.

However, there are some **additional costs not covered** by the grant.

The total cost to parents for the 2026/27 school year will be €52 per child, which covers:

- €6.32 – Irish Public Bodies (IPB) Student Personal Accident Insurance ([more info](#))
- €10 – Text-a-Parent & Aladdin communication tools
- €35.68 – School Tour*

*The €35.68 school tour fee covers the cost of the annual school tour in May. Due to significant increases in bus transport costs, we are including this amount in the yearly Student Direct Costs to allow for early planning and booking. Thank you for your continued support in helping us provide a rich and well-organised school experience for all our pupils.

A **Way2Pay bill** for the **€52 Student Direct Costs** will be raised on your account in the coming days.

Please remember, there is an option to **pay in instalments**.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and support.



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School Reports

We are currently putting the final touches to this year's School Reports, which will be available on Aladdin next week.

Once available, we encourage you to take time to review your child's report. If you have any feedback, you are welcome to email us at ArdRiCNS@lmetb.ie. Printed copies are available on request.

Aladdin also allows for Google Translate of the report into a wide range of languages. We have translated for those languages we are aware are being used in your home. If you would like your child's report translated, just let us know and we'll be happy to help.

6th Class Graduation

We are looking forward to celebrating our wonderful 6th Class pupils as they prepare to move on to the next stage of their journey.

The **Graduation Ceremony** will take place at **6:00pm on Thursday, 11th June** in the **Ardboyne Hotel**. There will be plenty of space, and family and friends are welcome to join us in marking this special milestone.

We also invite the whole school community to join us for the traditional **Guard of Honour** as our 6th Class pupils leave Ard Rí CNS for the final time at **11:45am on Friday, 19th June**. What song will they choose to walk out to this year? We can't wait to find out!



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[Ard Rí Summer Camp \(click here\)](#)

Ard Rí CNS Summer Camp caters for our incoming Junior Infants to current 3rd Class pupils from Monday 22nd to Friday 26th June, 9:30am to 1pm daily. Forms link: [Ard Rí CNS Summer Camp Application Form 2026 – Fill out form](#)

Places on the camp are limited and we will operate on a first come, first served basis. Filling out this form does not guarantee a place in the camp due to limited availability. Karen will be in contact with you via email to let you know if you have secured a place.

22ND TO 26TH
JUNE 2026
9:30AM - 1PM

**ARD RÍ CNS
SUMMER
CAMP**

SPORTS - ART & CRAFT - OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES -
TEDDY BEAR PICNIC - BAKING AND MUCH MORE

FEE:
€70 PER CHILD
€5 DISCOUNT
FOR SIBLINGS

Ard Rí Summer Camp caters for incoming Junior Infants to 4th Class (2026/2027).
We like to keep the excitement going throughout the day with a wide range of games and activities in our familiar school setting.

Places on the camp are limited and we will operate on a first come, first served basis.
Please visit <https://forms.office.com/e/GT4TFN3jMw> to fill out an online application form. I will be in contact with you via email to let you know if you have secured a place.
Contact ardricssummercamp@gmail.com if you have any questions.



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Summer Holidays

School will close for the **Summer Holidays at 12:00 midday on Friday 19th June**. The calendar for the **2026/27 school year** is now available on our website ([click here](#)). We encourage all families to review it carefully when planning breaks and holidays.

There may be up to 5 Teacher training days next year to facilitate the roll out of the Primary Curriculum Framework. We will let you know these dates as soon as possible.

School attendance is very important for your child's learning and development. Please try to schedule any family holidays during the official school closures, which are clearly marked in **yellow and blue** on the calendar.



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2026 - 2027

School Hours		January 2027	
Morning Start Time: 9.00am		School Re-Opens 06.01.2027	M Tu W Th F
Hometime: Infants: 1.40pm 1st-6th: 2.40pm		4 5 6 7 8	1
		11 12 13 14 15	3
		18 19 20 21 22	5
		25 26 27 28 29	5
July 2026		February 2027	
M Tu W Th F		February Bank Holiday 01.02.2027	M Tu W Th F
6 7 8 9 10		1 2 3 4 5	4
13 14 15 16 17		8 9 10 11 12	5
20 21 22 23 24		Mid-Term Break 18.02.2027-19.02.2027	15 16 17 18 19
27 28 29 30 31		22 23 24 25 26	3
			5
August 2026		March 2027	
M Tu W Th F		St. Patrick's Day 17.03.2027	M Tu W Th F
3 4 5 6 7		1 2 3 4 5	5
10 11 12 13 14		8 9 10 11 12	5
17 18 19 20 21		15 16 17 18 19	4
24 25 26 27 28		Easter Holidays 22.03.2027-02.04.2027	22 23 24 25 26
31		29 30 31	
September 2026		April 2027	
M Tu W Th F		School Closed 30.04.2027	M Tu W Th F
School Re-opens All 01.09.2026		1 2	1 2
7 8 9 10 11		5 6 7 8 9	5
14 15 16 17 18		12 13 14 15 16	5
21 22 23 24 25		19 20 21 22 23	5
28 29 30		26 27 28 29 30	4
October 2026		May 2027	
M Tu W Th F		May Bank Holiday 03.05.2027	M Tu W Th F
Halloween Break 26.10.2026-30.10.2026		3 4 5 6 7	4
5 6 7 8 9		10 11 12 13 14	5
12 13 14 15 16		17 18 19 20 21	5
19 20 21 22 23		24 25 26 27 28	5
26 27 28 29 30		31	1
November 2026		June 2027	
M Tu W Th F		June Bank Holiday 07.06.2027	M Tu W Th F
School Re-Opens 02.11.2026		7 8 9 10 11	4
9 10 11 12 13		14 15 16 17 18	5
16 17 18 19 20		Summer Holidays 25.06.2027	21 22 23 24 25
P/T Meetings 24 & 25.11.2026		30	5
23 24 25 26 27			1
30			
December 2026		Important Information	
M Tu W Th F		School Holidays	76
1 2 3 4		Bank Holidays (School Closed)	106
7 8 9 10 11		Save the Date	182
14 15 16 17 18			
21 22 23 24 25			
28 29 30 31			
Christmas Holidays 23.12.2026-05.01.2027			