

September Newsletter

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New School Year

Welcome back everyone to a new school year and a newly refurbished school building! I want to thank you, parents and guardians, for your patience and understanding during the renovation works. We trust that a warmer, cosier building will be more conducive to better teaching and learning for all concerned. The new heating system will be cheaper to run and mean lower bills as well. Although the work is not yet complete, it is due to finish in the coming weeks.

Communication with School

Please note that, owing to damage done to the telephone line during the building works, our office number is now 0539423876. Teachers can be contacted by individual emails and the principal is at principal@carnewns.ie. As always, if you have any concerns about your child's progress or welfare in school, please let us know.

School Fees

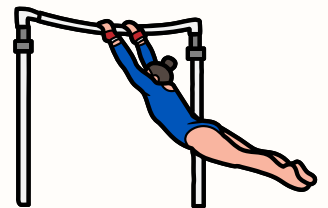
A reminder that the school fees, covering insurance, art & crafts & photocopying, plus communications charge, is now due at a cost of €35 per child. This is vital to the school finances as costs have risen massively in the last five years as you know from rising household costs. Thanks to everyone who has paid so far. If you wish to pay this fee in instalments we are happy to accommodate this.

Halloween

We hope to stage our annual Halloween dress up and sponsored walk this year so get your costume ideas ready! More details closer to the time.

Gymnastics

Thanks also to everyone who has paid the gymnastics programme fee of €12. The children seem to be really enjoying the programme so thanks for your support. The fee can still be paid in person at the school office or via the Aladdin link. Thank you.



Flu Vaccinations

Each family should have received an email with information about the flu vaccine being offered to children ahead of this winter season. There is a link in that email for families to register for the vaccine which will be administered in school in October. If you have not received this link please let the school office know at (053) 9423876. This is entirely at the discretion of each parent to decide on going ahead with the vaccine or not.

Attendance

As always we wish to promote good attendance in school throughout the year. As the saying goes, "Every school day counts". Please remember to record reasons for absences on your child's Aladdin page. We would encourage everyone to consider not taking holidays during school term time but should you do so please contact the school office beforehand to let us know in advance. Late arrivals after 9:20am must check in at the secretary's office. Thank you.

School Closures

Please note that we are closed next Friday 3rd October as a discretionary day (see calendar). We have also been informed that the school will be used as a polling station for the Presidential election on Friday 24th October, so the school will be closed on that day.

The Halloween mid term is from Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October.

Parent/Teacher Meetings

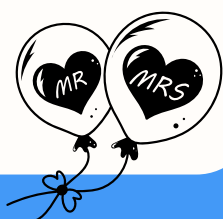
Parent teacher meetings will be held this year on Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th of November 2025. Time slots for these meetings will be made available via Aladdin in early November.



Staff Celebrations

All in Scoil Aodán Naofa wish to congratulate Ms Cousins on the birth of her new baby boy Ross. We wish the family a lifetime of good health and happiness together.

Congratulations also to Ms Scallan, who is getting married on Saturday 4th October. We wish Roisin and Paul a lifetime of happiness together.



Carnew Abú!

All in Scoil Aodán Naofa wish Carnew Emmets all the very best in the upcoming county finals in both football and hurling. Regardless of results, it has been a fantastic year for the club and we congratulate all involved in these incredible achievements. Of course, we will be cheering on our own Mr Doyle in the football and hurling finals and we wish him and the teams every good fortune going. Emmets abú!



GAA

Our own teams begin their season with a girls football blitz to be held this coming Thursday in Aughrim. We wish the girls a good day's sport and every success.

Healthy Lunches

In Scoil Aodán Naofa we encourage the children to eat healthy food. For this reason we ask you not to send crisps, chocolate or sweets with the children to school. If the children choose not to eat the school food meals please consider sandwiches, yogurt and fruits. Also bear in mind that we have children with peanut and nut allergies in our school so please don't send Nutella sandwiches or chocolate spread. Thank you.