

Réamheolaire Scoile 2019/2020

Coláiste Naomh Feichín

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Prospectus 2019/2020



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Bord Oideachais agus Oiliúna
na Gaillimhe agus Ros Comáin
Galway and Roscommon
Education and Training Board



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Is scoil de chuid Bord Oideachais & Oiliúna na Gaillimhe & Ros Comáin é seo/ *This is a Galway Roscommon Education & Training Board school (GRETB) since 01/07/13.*

Roimhe sin is faoi Choiste Gairmoideachais Cho. na Gaillimhe a bhí an scoil/ *Prior to that it was a Co. Galway Vocational Education Committee (VEC) school.*

Bord Bainistíochta/Board of Management

Tá bord bunaithe ag Bord Oiliúna agus Oideachais Gaillimh agus Ros Comáin chun bainistiú a dhéanamh ar an scoil i gcomhpháirtíocht leis na páirtneirí oideachais, na tuismitheoirí, an BOOGR agus múinteoirí an Choláiste. Tá ionadaíocht ag an BOOGR, na tuismitheoirí agus na múinteoirí ar an mbord.

Bíonn cruinnithe i rith na scoilbhliana.

Ráiteas Misean an Choláiste Mission Statement

I gColáiste Naomh Feichín déantar gach dícheall timpeallacht shlán shábháilte a chruthú ina ndéantar oideachas a sholáthar ag díriú ar fhorbairt acadúil, sóisialta agus cultúrtha na scoláirí.

Tabharfar aitheantas do thréithiúlacht ar leith na scoláirí agus déanfar iad a oiliúint le bheith ina saoránaigh measúla, réasúnacha, fiúntacha.

Coláiste Naomh Feichín endeavours to create a safe, secure environment for staff and students in which education in a holistic sense will be provided, focusing on the students' academic, social and cultural development.

The student's uniqueness and individuality will be recognised and nurtured so that they become respectful, balanced and valuable members of society.

Fáiltiú ón bPríomhoide

Céad míle fáilte go leabhrán Choláiste Naomh Feichín. Tá súil agam go mbainfidh tú taitneamh as agus go dtiocfaidh tú ar aon eolas atá á lorg agat faoi scoil s'againne. Fáilte romhat teagmháil a dhéanamh linn má tá breis eolais á lorg agat. Tá na sonraí teagmhála don scoil ar fáil ag cúl an leabhrán. Chomh maith leis an t-eolas ar imeachtaí reatha na scoile, feicfidh tú an-chuid grianghraf eile d'imeachtaí scoile.

Táimid an-bhródúil as an dul chun cinn atá déanta ag scoil s'againne ó bunaíodh é sa bhliain 1966. Tá buíochas ar leith ag dul do na Tuismitheoirí, baill na Boird Bainistíochta agus Foireann na scoile don ualach oibre a chuireann siad isteach lá i ndiaidh lae chun árdchaighdeán oideachais a chur ar fáil. Is údar mórtais dúinn ar fad, chomh maith agus a éiríonn le daltaí na scoile seo, go hacadúil, go sóisialta agus i saol na hoibre.

Tá súil agam go mbainfidh tú taitneamh agus tairbhe as na leathnaigh seo.

Welcome to Coláiste Naomh Feichín's school prospectus. I hope you enjoy your browsing and that you find here any information you require about our school. Feel free to contact us if you require further information. Our contact details are available at the back of this booklet. As well as information on our school activities, there are photographs that will give you a further insight into our activities.

We are very proud of all that our school has achieved, since its establishment in 1966. Our thanks to our Parents, members of our Board of Management, our school team for their great work and efforts to ensure that provide the highest standard of Education for our young people. We are proud of our students' endeavours.

We hope you enjoy our pages.

Le meas ort,

*Gearóidín Ní Chonghaile
Príomhoide*



Cé'n fáth Coláiste Naomh Feichín? *Why go to Coláiste Naomh Feichín?*

Mar go bhfreastalaíonn muid ar gach páiste mar dhuine aonair. Mar go bhfuil foireann díograiseach le hardscileanna againn. Mar go bhfuil córas tréadchúram agus tacaíochta pearsanta éifeachtach againn. Ach go háirithe gur pobal sona sásta sinn.

Thar gach ní eile tá eispéaras oideachasúil den scoth ar Choláiste Naomh Feichín mar go bhfuil sainmheon Gaeilge go smior ionainn a spreagann ár ndaoine óga creidiúint iontu féin as Gaeilge agus gnóthú dá réir. Gnóthaíonn siad sna himeachtaí seach-churaclaim éagsúla.

Fásann siad go pearsanta agus go sóisialta i dtimpeallacht shábháilte bunaithe ar chaidrimh shon láidre. Imíonn said amach sa saol le gnóthú i réimse gairmeacha agus slíte beatha. Tugann siad leo na tréithe a chothaigh siad ar scoil, féinchreideamh, dearcadh pobail agus líofacht sa Ghaeilge. Seo an fhís atá againn don pháiste s'agatsa. Leanann Coláiste Naomh Feichín den fhás, den tsíorfeabhsú, den nuálú. Tá aistear corraitheach romhainn don chéad cúig mbliana eile. Tugaim cuireadh duit bheith linn.

I believe we meet the needs of each child as an individual. We have a dedicated and highly skilled staff who are always ready to support and help. The pastoral and personal support system is very proactive and above all, we have a happy school community.

Above all, we offer an excellent educational experience at Coláiste Naomh Feichín because we have a strong Irish language ethos that inspires young people to believe in themselves as proud, young Gaels and to achieve accordingly. Our pupils achieve academically, but they also achieve in sport, drama, art, music and self-development.

Our students go on to achieve beyond school in a wide variety of professions and in every walk of life. These are bright, successful men and women, taking with them the Coláiste Naomh Feichín ethos: a self-belief, a sense of community and a fluency in the Irish language.

They grow personally and socially in a safe environment built on strong happy relationships. This is what we wish for your child. Coláiste Naomh Feichín continues to grow, to improve and to innovate. We invite you to join us.

Stair Achomair na Scoile / an Choláiste / an Ionaid

Tógadh Coláiste Naomh Feichín i 1965/'66 agus osclaíodh do scoláirí é i Meán Fómhair 1966. D'fhreastal slua mór scoláirí ó cheantar Dhúiche Sheoigheach air, cuid acu a tháinig ó Rang 6, 7 agus 8 in sna Bunscoileanna áitiúla chomh maith le scoláirí a chríochnaigh sa mbunscoil cúpla bliain roimhe sin. Is beag deis a bhí ag gasúir an cheantair (go háirithe buachaillí) freastal ar Choláiste Iar-Bhunoideachais go dtí seo.

Scoil trí sheomra a bhí ann ar dtús agus ullmhaíodh na scoláirí don Teastas Ghrúpa agus don Meán Teistiméireacht ann. Sa scoilbhliain 1974/'75, tosaíodh ag múineadh Cúrsa na hArdeistiméireachta agus rinne na scoláirí an chéad Ardeistiméireacht sa scoil i Meitheamh 1976.

Tháinig fás agus forbairt ar an gColáiste thríd na blianta. Cuireadh síneadh leis tar éis lár na 1970idí, 1983/'84 agus 2010. Tá an scoil faoi choimirce Bord Oideachais agus Oiliúna na Gaillimhe agus Ros Comáin. Tá na háiseanna is déanaí again do gach ábhar anseo i dtimpeallacht atá taitneamhach. Tá sé mar aidhm again oideachas a chur ar fáil mar chuid den phlean saoil iomlán chun go mbeadh ár ndaltaí in ann fás agus forbairt mar bhaill staidéarachacha agus airdeallacha den phobal. Anois agus leathchéad bliain caite, tá oideachais den scoth curtha ar ár scoláirí agus tá muid fíor-bhródúil astu. Tá cuid mhaith acu fostaithe sa tír seo agus go deimhin tá roinnt acu scaipthe ar fud an domhain.

Coláiste Naomh Feichín was founded in 1966 to provide second level education for students in the area. The school operates under the auspices of the Galway and Roscommon Education and Training Board today. Our college is equipped to a very high standard in most pleasant surroundings. Coláiste Naomh Feichín is housed in a building with classrooms servicing every subject's needs. Our aim is to provide education as part of a total life plan, enabling our students to become well-balanced caring members of the community.



Oscailt Oifigiúil 31/05/2013

Síneadh nua dhá-stór curtha leis an scoil sa bhliain 2010, Seomra Ullmhucháin, córas teasa agus córas leictreach nua.

New two-storey extension built in 2010, Preparation Room, new heating system and upgraded electrical system.

Costas/Cost: €500,000

New Security System and P.A System installed.

Oideachas trí Ghaeilge

Tá glactha leis go forleathan ag teangeolaithe agus ag oideachasóirí go bhfuil buntáistí faoi leith ag baint leis an oideachas dátheangach. Cuirimid seirbhís chuimsitheach ar fáil do na daltaí a thagann anseo. Cuireann múinteoirí agus daltaí aithne an-mhaith ar a cheile agus tá idirbheartaíocht iontach ar siúl eatarthu. Ní mór a meabhrú go bhfuil ar chumas gach dalta tarraingt ar 10% marcanna breise atá ar fáil sna Scrúduithe Teistiméireacht trí Ghaeilge.

It is now widely accepted among linguists and educationalists that there are many advantages to bilingual education. We provide our students with a comprehensive education. Teachers and students know each other very well and enjoy excellent working relationships. It is pertinent to remark that students avail of the 10% bonus marks by answering Department Examinations in Irish.

Scéim Leabhair / Book Rental Scheme

Tá scéim leabhair i bhfeidhm sa scoil s'againne do gach bhliain grúpa.

There is a book rental scheme in operation in our school for all year groups.



Aistriú Ó Bhunscoil go Meán Scoil

Is céim thábhachtach í nuair a aistrítear ó bhunscoil go meánscoil. Caithfidh daltaí aghaidh a thabhairt ar athruithe dúshlánacha ó thaobh gnáthchúrsaí laethúla agus scileanna acadúla de. Tá clár rathúil “Peer 4 Peer” i bhfeidhm i gColáiste Naomh Feichín a thugann tacaíocht do dhaltaí nua chun dul i ngleic leis an aistriú ón mBunscoil go dtí an Mheánscoil.

Clár “Peer 4 Peer”: Tá córas comhairleoireachta “Peer 4 Peer” i bhfeidhm i gColáiste Naomh Feichín do dhaltaí sa chéad bhliain. Soláthraíonn daltaí sinsearacha struchtúr tacaíochta do dhaltaí na céad bliana agus iad ag aistriú ón mBunscoil.

The transfer from Primary to Post Primary

Entering second level education is a major stepping stone for students. They are faced with daunting changes in their daily routine and academic expectations. Coláiste Naomh Feichín successfully implements a programme that supports the students transfer from primary to post-primary.

Peer 4 Peer. A peer mentoring system, Peer 4 Peer, has been introduced for first year students. Senior students provide a support structure for first year students in their transfer from Primary to Secondary school.

Scrúduithe / Examinations

Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit / State Examinations Commission

Teastas Sóisearach – ag deireadh Bliain 3.

Ardteistiméireacht – ag deireadh Bliain 6

Scrúduithe scríofa ar siúl i Meitheamh

Junior Certificate – at the end of 3rd Year

Leaving Certificate – at the end of 6th Year

Written examinations are held in June



Teastas Sóisearach Nua / *New Junior Cycle* Príomhscileanna / *Key Skills*

- *Being literate*
- *Being numerate*
- *Communicating*
- *Managing myself*
- *Staying well*
- *Being creative*
- *Working with others*
- *Managing information and thinking*

Key skills help learners develop the knowledge, skills and attitudes to face the many challenges in today's world. They also support students in learning how to learn and take responsibility for their own learning. In class, students will be working with others, working on their own and researching and presenting work in a variety of ways.

Assessment

- *Ongoing assessments including routine teacher-designed tasks and tests.*
- *Two Classroom-Based Assessment (CBAs), one conducted in Bliain 2 and one in Bliain 3.*
- *CBAs will be undertaken at a common level.*
- *A written Assessment Task will be based on the second CBA and will be submitted to the State Examination Commission (SEC) for marking along with state-certified examination.*
- *An externally assessed, state-certified examination for all subjects at the end of Bliain 3 (June State Exams).*

Level 2 Learning Programmes (L2LPs)

L2LPs are suited to students with general learning disabilities in the higher functioning moderate and low functioning mild categories.

L2LPs build on prior learning that focus on the social, personal and pre-vocational skills that prepare students for further study, for work and for life.



Teastas / Certification

Próifil Ghnóthachtála na Sraithe Sóisearaí (PGSS) / Junior Cycle Profile of Achievement (JCPA)

The JCPA will reward achievement across all areas of learning. It will have a nationally determined format. Students will receive it in the autumn following Bliain 3, when all assessment results from the State Examinations Commission and the School are available and confirmed.

Phasing in of Subjects

Phase 1 (2014) English – Certification 2017

Phase 2 (2016) Science & Business Studies – Certification 2019

Phase 3 (2017) Irish, Art Craft & Design, French – Certification 2020

Phase 4 (2018) Maths, Home Economics, Music & Geography – Certification 2021

Phase 5 (2019) Technology Subjects, & Religious Education – Certification 2022



Ábhair don Teastas Sóisearach *Junior Certificate Subjects 2017/2018*

Tá rogha idir na hÁbhair seo a leanas/there is a choice between the following:

Eacnamaíocht Bhaile nó Grafaic Theicniúil (G, A) / *Home Economics* or *Technical Graphics* (O,H)

Ealaín (T.S. Nua) nó Ábhair Teicneolaíocht (Adhmad) (G, A) / *Art (New Junior Cycle)* or *Material Technology (Wood)* (O,H)

Ábhair eile / *Other J.C. Subjects*

- Teagasc Críostaí
- Oideachas Shóisialta, Pearsanta & Sláinte
- Folláine
- Tacaíocht Fóghlama
- Spóirt: Peil Ghaelach, Cispheil, Rugbaí, Leadóg Boird, Peil faoi dhíon, Badmantan, &rl.
- *Religious Education*
- *Social, Personal and Health Education (S.P.H.E.)*
- *Wellbeing*
- *Learning Support*
- *Sports: Gaelic Football, Basketball, Tag Rugby, Table Tennis, Indoor Football, Badminton, etc.*

Ábhair don Teastas Sóisearach

- Gaeilge (Teastas Sóisearach Nua)
- Béarla (Teastas Sóisearach Nua)
- Matamaitic (B, G, A)
- Fraincís (Teastas Sóisearach Nua)
- Eolaíocht (Teastas Sóisearach Nua)
- Staidéar Gnó (T.S. Nua)
- Tíreolaíocht (G, A)

(Leibhéal: B = Bonn G = Gnáth A = Ard)

Teastas Sóisearach Nua / *New Junior Cycle*

Maximum number of subjects allowed for certification from 2017: 10

OR 9 Subjects + 2 Short Courses

OR 8 Subjects + 4 Short Courses

Gaeilge, English & Mathematics (O & H Level) All other subjects will be Common Level

Junior Certificate Subjects 2018/2019

- *Gaeilge (New Junior Cycle)*
- *English (New Junior Cycle)*
- *Mathematics (F, O, H)*
- *French (New Junior Cycle)*
- *Science (New Junior Cycle)*
- *Business Studies (New J.C.)*
- *Geography (O, H)*

(Levels: F = Foundation O = Ordinary H = Higher)



Ábhair Ardteistiméireachta

- Gaeilge (B, G, A)
- Béarla (G, A)
- Matamaitic (B, G, A)
- Fraincís (G, A)
- Nascmhodúil (Comónta)

(Leibhéil: B = Bonn; G = Gnáth; A = Ard)

Roghnaíonn scoláiri ábhair as an liosta seo a leanas:

- Eacnamaíocht Bhaile
- Grafaicí Deartha & Cumarsáide
- Staidéar Foirgníochta
- Ealaín
- Tíreolaíocht
- Gnó
- Bitheolaíocht
- Eolaíocht Talmhaíochta

Leaving Certificate Subjects

- Gaeilge (F, O, H)
- English (O, H)
- Mathematics (F, O, H)
- French (O, H)
- Link Modules (Common)

(Levels: F = Foundation; O = Ordinary; H = Higher)

Students choose from the following list of subjects:

- Home Economics
- Design & Communication Graphics (DCG)
- Construction Studies
- Art
- Geography
- Business
- Biology
- Agricultural Science

Is féidir Ard Leibhéal a thógáil in sna hÁbhair uile, seachas na h-ábhair Comónta. Moltar do dhaltá Ard Leibhéal a thógáil má tá sé ar a gcumas. Tá ranganna scoilte i roinnt Ábhair idir Gnáth agus Ard Leibhéal

Higher Level is available to all students in all subjects, except Common Level Subjects. Students are strongly encouraged to take Higher Level if they are able. Some subjects have separate Ordinary and Higher Level Classes.

Ábhair Eile / Other L.C. Subjects

- Gairmthreoir
- Teagasc Críostaí
- Oideachas Shóisialta, Pearsanta & Sláinte
- Tacaíocht Foghlama
- Spóirt: Peil Ghaelach, Cispheil, Rugbaí, Leadóg Boird, Peil faoi dhíon, Badmantan, &rl
- Careers Guidance
- Religious Education
- Relationships and Sexuality Education (R.S.E.)
- Learning Support
- Sports: Gaelic Football, Tag Rugby, Basketball, Table Tennis, Indoor Football, Badminton, etc

Digital Technology

- There are 12 Classrooms, including Specialist Rooms, in the College.
- Each room is equipped with a Teacher's Computer and Digital Projector which is used for teaching and learning purposes
- All the Computers are connected to a Network System
- All rooms have Wireless High Speed Broadband – 100 Mbps
- Each student from Bliain 1 to Bliain 6 has a Tablet or Netbook with some textbooks. Netbooks/Tablets are used for many purposes.

Seomra Ríomhaireachta Computer Room

- 30 Computers
- Laser Printer
- All Computers connected to a Network System
- High Speed Broadband Internet Access – 100 Mbps
- Data Projector and Screen
- Room used for Computer Classes, Links Modules, Careers Guidance and occasionally for Maths, French, CSPE, Religious Education and others.

Éide Scoile / School Uniform

- Dath: Dúghorm / Navy
- Geansaí le Logo / Jumper with Logo
- Léine/T-Léine Bán le Logo /White Shirt/T-Shirt with Logo
- Briste Dúghorma – New from Sept. 2015
- Bróga Néata / Neat Footwear
- Uniform Jacket (Sept 2015 – can be worn in class in cold weather, but not compulsory, available in Anthony Ryan's).

Eagraíochtaí Charthanachta *Charitable Organisations*

Seo cuid de na hEagraíochtaí a thugann daltaí agus múinteoirí an Choláiste seo cúnamh dóibh / *These are some of the Organisations/worthy causes which have been supported by our students and teachers:*

- Concern, Trócaire and Goal
- Sunflower Chernobyl Appeal
- Samaritan's Purse - Shoeboxes
- Multiple Sclerosis Society of Ireland (MS Irl.)
- "Make a Wish" Foundation
- West of Ireland Alzheimers Association
- Cystic Fibrosis Association
- St. Vincent de Paul *Pieta House
- Katie O'Halloran Fund *Galway Hospice

Turais Scoile Eorpacha *European School Trips*

Téann Daltaí Bliain 5 agus múinteoirí ar Thuras Scoile Eorpach gach bliain ó 2004 / *Fifth Year Students accompanied by teachers go on an European School Trip every year since 2004.*

Extremely enjoyable occasions! / An-taitneamhach!

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| 2004 - Valkenburg / Noordwijk | 2012 - Paris |
| 2005 - Noordwijk / Amsterdam | 2013 - Barcelona |
| 2006 - Paris | 2014 - Rome |
| 2007 - Munich | 2015 - Krakow |
| 2008 - Strasbourg | 2016 - Paris |
| 2009 - Venice & Lake Garda | 2019 - Paris |
| 2010 - Barcelona | |



Turais & Gníomhaíochtaí *Trips & Activities*

- Cultural activities
- Geography Field Trips
- Biology Field Trips
- Careers Open Days
- Enterprise Visits
- Drama
- Farm Visits – Agricultural Science
- Outdoor Education Cent
- Retreats
- Football Matches
- European School Trip
- Museum Visits (Art)
- Quizzes

Cainteoirí / Outside Speakers

Some topics covered:

- Careers Advisers
- Science Workshops
- Internet Safety
- Charitable Organisations
- Positive Mental Health
- Fireworks & Road Safety
- Dating Abuse Workshops (COPE)
- Enterprise Education
- Healthy Eating
- Adolescent Support
- French Theatre
- Study Skills
- Sexual Health (AIDS West)

Staidéar taréis Scoile *Supervised Study after School*

Staidéar sa Scoile taréis amanna scoile

Luan go Déardaoin:

4.00 - 6.00 i.n.

Éileamh réasúnta maith

Daltaí, tuismitheoirí agus múinteoirí an-sásta

Dul chun cinn maith

Study in the School after school times

Monday to Thursday:

4.00 - 6.00 p.m.

In fairly good demand

Student, parents and teachers very satisfied

Good progress reports

Siopa / Shop

Le cead ó Thuismitheoirí / Chaomhnóirí na daltaí, ligtear iad chuig an Siopa áitiúil i rith an lae. Is féidir le Udarás na Scoile an pribhléid seo a thógáil uatha de bharr briseadh rialacha scoil, &rl. Caithfear cead dul chuig an siopa a iarraidh i gcónaí. Tá an scoil timpeall trí nóiméad siúil ón Siopa.

With their Parents / Guardians permission, students are allowed to go to the local Shop daily. School Management may withdraw this privilege for breaking of school rules, etc. Permission must always be sought to go to shop. The Shop is about a three minutes walk from the school.



Clár Ama / Timetable

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| Luan – Déardaoin | 9.00 r.n. – 3.50 i.n. 9 Rang x 40 nóiméad |
| Aoine | 9.00 r.n. – 1.20 i.n. 6 Rang x 40 nóiméad |
| Sos | 9.00 r.n. – 1.20 i.n. |
| Lón | 1.20 r.n. – 2.00 i.n. |
| Ní bhíonn aon lón ar an Aoine | |

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| Monday – Thursday | 9.00 a.m. – 3.50 p.m. 9 Classes x 40 minutes |
| Friday | 9.00 a.m. – 1.20 p.m. 6 Classes x 40 minutes |
| Break | 11.00 – 11.20 a.m. |
| Lunch | 1.20 – 1.50 p.m. |
| No lunch break on Fridays | |

Foireann Múinteoirí den Scoth Team of Dedicated Teachers

Foireann Múinteoirí den scoth a thugann chuile chúnamh do scoláirí, agus a réitíonn iad, ní amháin i gcomhair Scrúduithe Stáit, ach don saol amach rompu tré cúnaimh a thabhairt dóibh i bhforbairt féin-íomhá, féin-mhuinín, scileanna saoil agus dearcadh dearfach, i.e. macánta, measúil agus muiníneach.

A Team of Dedicated Teachers, who assist and encourage students to reach their potential, and who not only prepare

them for State Examinations, but also prepare them for life by assisting in their development of positive self-image, self-confidence, life skills and positive attitudes, i.e. honesty, respectfulness and reliability.

Excellent Home-School Links Regular monitoring of students

- Parent-Teacher Meeting for Bliain 1 in September. A second meeting may be attended before the end of the school-year, if parents wish.
- Two Parent-Teacher Meeting for Exam Classes annually (Bliain 3 and Bliain 6) Oct. & March/April.
- An annual Parent-Teacher Meeting for Bliain 2 and Bliain 5, usually in January.
- Student's School Diary – Parents & Teachers notes
- Bliain 1, 2 and 5 have two annual assessments, as well as Christmas and Summer Tests
- Leaving Certs and Junior Certs have monthly examinations, Christmas Tests and Mocks
- All results are sent home
- Class tests are frequently given by teachers
- Apart from Parent-Teacher meetings, parents may discuss student's progress at other arranged times and this is encourage, if required. This can be done by appointment.
- School management and/or Teachers contact parents when the need arises.

Comhairle na dTuismitheoirí *Newly elected Parents Council*

Tá muid an-bhuíoch as an dea-thoil, an tacaíocht agus an comhoibriú atá le fáil againn ónár dtuismitheoirí. Oibríonn an ghrúpa seo go dian agus go dícheallach ar son maitheas na scoile. Tá an t-ádh linn tuismitheoirí mar seo a bheith ar an gCoiste. Tugann siad gach cúnamh dúinn. Tá ardmheas againn orthu agus ní fhéadhfadh na daltaí ach tairbhe a bhaint as an gcúnamh seo.

We appreciate the good-will, support and co-operation which we receive from the parents of our students. This group works very hard on behalf of our school. We are lucky to have such committed parents on our committee. They give us every support and help. We hold them in the highest regard and the students can only gain from this assistance.

Comhairle na nDaltaí *Student Council 2017/2018*

Tá Comhairle na nDaltaí ag scoil s'againne. Tugann an Comhairle guth dár ndaltaí. Tá ról-lárnach acu in imeachtaí na scoile agus oibríonn siad as lámh Bainistíocht na Scoile agus Foireann na Scoile. Tá Comhairle na nDaltaí ann ar son maitheas iomlána na scoile. Tá muid buíoch agus bródúil as ár ndaltaí agus na buanna atá acu. Is í Eibhlín Uí Mhainnín a oibríonn agus a threoraíonn ár gComhairle, tá muid buíoch as a díograis.

A Student Council is a representative structure through which students in a post-primary school can become involved in the affairs of the school, working in partnership with school management and staff and parents for the benefit of the school and its students. Eibhlín Uí Mhainnín works along side our students and we are grateful for her diligence.

Aistriú ó Bhunscoil go Meán Scoil *Transition from Primary to Secondary School*

- *Big fish to small fish!*
- *Timetable / Number of Subjects*
- *Classroom Changes*
- *Books / Netbooks/Tablets*
- *Schoolbags / Lockers*
- *Homework / School Diary*
- *Interaction with older students*
- *Bullying*

Tacaíocht Foghlama / *Resource Teaching*

- Tugtar tacaíocht do dhaltá le riachtanais speisialta fóghlama.
- Fáigheann daltaí eile a bhfuil deacrachtaí acu i n-ábhair éagsúla cúnamh breise de réir mar atá acmhainní ar fáil.
- *Students with special educational needs benefit from the Learning Support provided.*
- *Other students who have difficulties in certain areas also get additional assistance when resources are available.*

Torthaí Scrúduithe den Scoth *Excellent Examination Results*

- *We are very proud of the excellent Leaving and Junior Certificate results which are continually being obtained in this school, bearing in mind the differing levels of ability of the students.*
- *A large percentage of Students take Higher Level Examination Papers.*
- *Our results in many subjects are much higher than the National Averages for both Examinations*
- *The majority of Leaving Certificate Students get their chosen Third Level Course*

Partners in Education

Scoláire / Student

Múinteoirí / Teachers

Tuismitheoirí/Comhnóirí Parents/Guardians

For a student to reach his/her potential, all partners must work closely together

Students need to set targets for themselves and stay focused

Hard work and dedication will be rewarded.



What Parents can do to promote Good Attendance?

- *Make education important in your home and let your child know it is **not** ok to miss school.*
- *Listen to your child. Be interested in his/her news about school and ask about what he or she is doing.*
- *Help your child to be proud of a good attendance record.*
- *Don't take family holidays during school term.*
- *Try to arrange medical/dental/other appointments during school breaks/holidays/Friday afternoons.*
- *Be alert for reasons why your child may not want to go to school.*
- *You know your child better than anyone else. When he/she complains of being ill in the morning, you must decide if this is real or just a need for a day off! Teenagers can be great actors/actresses and can sound very convincing!*
- *Build your child's confidence by praising him/her.*
- *Read letters and reports from the school and know the school rules.*
- *Please complete Forms, etc. as soon as you receive them – pay attention to deadlines.*
- *Go to school meetings, particularly **Parent/Teacher Meetings** and get to know your child's Teachers.*
- *Encourage your child not to take on a part-time job during school term. A tired teenager will not be able to keep up at school.*

Top Tips for Parents!

- *Get your child to bed in good time on schooldays and Sunday nights. Plenty of sleep and rest will help a child stay alert.*
- *Mobile phone, Netbook/Tablet/Computer, Television and all electronic devices should not be in child's bedroom from curfew time.*
- *Set the alarm clock in good time.*
- *Ensure that your child eats a **breakfast** – no child can function on an empty stomach.*

The Night Before!

- *Ensure that your child has completed his/her homework. Check the Diary.*
- *Help your child pack his/her schoolbag.*
- *Prepare your child's lunch – no point sending a great lunch unless child likes it and agrees to eat it! Many end up in refuse bin.*
- *Ensure that the complete School Uniform is left ready for the morning.*

Tuilleadh Eolais / Further Information

Má tá aon eolas breise ag teastáil mar gheall ar an gColáiste seo, ná biodh aon driogal ort teagmháil a dhéanamh liom ag am ar bith.

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