Welcome Back!

September

St. Aidan's News





Welcome!

- Welcome back to school everyone and in particular welcome to our 28 Junior Infants, our new Senior Infant and First Class pupils and their families. We hope you will enjoy your time with us here in St. Aidan's
- Welcome also to new staff members Mr. Shane Culligan (Senior Infants), Ms. Anne Kearney (SET), Mr. Philip Talty (SET). Wishing all our staff members the very best for the year ahead.

Policies and Procedures - Reminders

- Children can will only be granted access to school from **8.45am** at the earliest
- St. Aidan's has a **no nut policy** owing to severe allergies and requirement for EpiPens in the event of emergency. Please exercise due care in this regard
- Whilst birthdays are a significant milestone in any child's life please not that birthday invitations should not be provided or distributed in school as it causes too much upset even if all children are included. Some families, cultures and religions do not celebrate such milestones. Parents should make alternative arrangements to invite classmates to parties. Birthday cakes/ sweets/ treats are also not permitted to be distributed for the same reasons but more importantly because of allergies (gluten, coeliac, dairy, nut etc), diabetes and halal.
- Please label ALL jumpers and coats. Whilst some may have availed of the option to have jumpers initialed those who have not availed of this option should ensure jumpers and coats are clearly labelled. We have already had to reunite three jumpers with their owners

Continued Strike Action Please note we continue to be

Please note we continue to be without our amazing and much valued secretary Maireád which is having a significant impact on the day to day running of our school. Please support Maireád and all secretaries and caretakers in their efforts for pension parity and leave entitlement



Homework / After SchoolClub

Homework / After School club will resume from Monday 15th September for children from 1st -6th class from 2.45pm-3.45pm Monday to Thursday. Forms to be distributed at a later date





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St. Aidan's N.S - Enrolments

Enrolments are now being taken for the school year 2026-2027. Please contact <u>staidansns@hotmail.com</u> or Maireád in the office

<u>Junior Infants</u> – Junior Infants will finish at 12pm daily up to an including 12th September. They will have a full day from Monday 15th September finishing at 1.40pm

<u>Swimming</u> – Swimming will begin for 3rd -6th class from Thursday 18th and Friday 19th September for six weeks

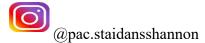
Thursdays – 3rd and 4th Class

 $Fridays - 5^{th}$ and 6^{th} Class

Parents Association Committee (PAC)

Our wonderful Parents Committee are always eager for new members to join them in supporting the school to provide the best resources and opportunities for all our pupils. If you are interested in joining the PAC please contact pac.staidans@gmail.com. Follow them on

Facebook St. Aidan's Parents Association Shannon



Parking

Following complaints from local residents Shannon Gardaí have been in touch to ask us to remind you that pupils should walk, scoot, cycle to school where possible. Residential areas should not be used as a drop off /collection point for St. Aidan's.

Furthermore, please please, please <u>SLOW DOWN</u> along all entry and exist points to and from the school. Children can and do appear from anywhere.

Non-Uniform Day — The last Friday of each month is non-uniform day. Children are invited to wear their own clothes and contribute €1 on these days to school fundraising. Non-uniform day is Friday 26th September.

New Building

Building works are progressing extremely well. We are on target thanks to our project manager and the amazing team at Custy Construction to open in early 2026. We are so excited and looking forward to it – the building is AMAZING.

School Closure

St. Aidan's NS will be CLOSED on 24th October 2025 as we are a polling station for the Presidential election. We will re-open on 3rd November as it coinsides with Mid-term break. Pupils will dress up in Halloween Costumes on Thursday 23rd October.

St. Aidan's Staff current staff list 2025-2026

Junior Infants - Ms. Miriam O'Meara

Junior Infants - Ms. Sarah Rogers

Senior Infants – Ms. Denise Collins

Senior Infants – Mr. Shane Culligan

First Class Ms. Jane Scanlon

Second Class – Ms. Emma Finlay

Third Class – Ms. Linda Ní Thuathaigh

Third Class – Ms. Karen McMahon

Fourth Class – Ms. Aoife Corbett

Fifth Class – Ms. Leanne White

Sixth Class – Ms. Christine Hogan

AS Class – Ms. Katrina Forde

SET – Ms. Noreen Moloney

SET - Ms. Orla Adams

SET – Ms. Olive Garry

SET – Ms. Anne Kearney

SET - Mr. Philip Talty

Secretary - Ms. Maireád Fahy

Cleaner - Ms. Maria Curtin

SNA - Ms. Liz Blake

SNA - Ms. Michelle Treacy Deer

SNA - Ms. Joanne O'Sullivan

SNA – MS. Shirley O'Donoghue

SNA - Ms. Marie O' Callaghan

SNA - Ms. Louise Moran

SNA – Ms. Roisín Killeen

SNA – Ms. Jackie Hanley