

School Closure Monday, March 18th

The school will be closed on Monday, March 18th for St. Patrick's Day.

Easter Holidays

School will close at 12.30 p.m. on Friday, March 22nd and re-open on Monday, April 8th.

The staggered collection times for Friday are as follows:

Junior Infants and siblings and pupils traveling on the school bus:	12.20 p.m.
Senior Infants and siblings:	12.25 p.m.
All other pupils at:	12.30 p.m.

Seachtain na Gaeilge

Tá Seachtain na Gaeilge buailte linn arís! Please encourage your child to use the Irish he/she knows. Bain triail as!

La Glas: An Déardaoain 15ú Márta

As part of our celebration of St. Patrick's Day and Seachtain na Gaeilge we will have a Lá Glas or Green Day on Friday, March 15th. Children can come to school wearing "Green" and/or any of their St. Patrick's Day accessories.

Cork Schools Sports

Cork School Sports will be held in MIT on Thursday, May 30th this year. Weather permitting trials will take place on Friday, March 15th for Rang I – Rang 6 at Bride Rovers GAA pitch. Children should wear appropriate footwear and bring spare socks on the day.

Senior Infants trial will be held tomorrow Thursday, March 14th in school.

Míle Buíochas

Green School Day of Action:

Thank you to all parents for your cooperation during our school day of action as part of the Green Schools Initiative. Last Wednesday only 4 cars came through the gates for morning drop off (a reduction of 60 cars). It was lovely to see all the children walking and wheeling into the school. After Easter we will continue to have our "Walk or Wheel on Wednesday". The aim is to reduce the amount of traffic in the school grounds and thus improve the air quality of the school environment. Walking or wheeling also contributes to the children's overall wellbeing. Thank you to our Green School Committee and Ms Murphy for coordinating the Green School Initiatives in Scoil Bhríde.

Planting:

Special thanks to all the parents who came to help out with the planting of the hedge and trees last Thursday. Thanks also to Goran and Ivana from Cork Landscaping for their services and to Ms Hogan for coordinating this project. Pupils will enjoy seeing the hedge and the trees grow.

World Book Day:

Well done to all the children and their parents for the wonderful effort in dressing up for World Book Day!

Comhghairdeas

Congratulations and well done to our school choir and their teachers, Miss Hoare and Miss Hazelwood on their wonderful performance at Cór Fhéile na Scoile in City Hall Cork last night.

Tracksuit Survey

Thank you to all the parents who completed our survey on school tracksuit/uniform. In total 254 replies were received and 83% (211 people) would like to change to tracksuit only. While the majority of people were happy with the current tracksuit we will explore some other options taking into account the feedback received from parents.

Rathcormac Scouts

Please see flyer attached.

Reminder:

Mass and Service of Light for Confirmation pupils	Tonight, Wednesday March 13th at 7.30 p.m. in Church
5th Class trip to musical "Matilda"	Wednesday, March 20th
First Confession	Thursday, March 21st 11.30 a.m. (Ms Feeney's 2nd class) and 12.15 p.m. (Miss Hoare's 2nd class) in Church

Report for parents and staff from recent Board of Management Meeting

- The Board approved the Critical Incident Policy.
- The Board reviewed the Child Safeguarding Statement and Risk Assessment.
- The Board approved the revised Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools 2023.
- Work on the extension project is progressing and the design team are completing the drawings for the planning application process. We hope to be applying for planning permission at the end of April.

Mise le meas,
Mairéad Uí Íomhair.