# St. Brendan's NS

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We are on our final newsletter of the year and our last few days with 6<sup>th</sup> class. On the 26<sup>th</sup> of June we will have our end of year assembly and graduation. We wish Adam, Ellen, Ellie, Eva and the two Jacks the best of luck starting Banagher College in September.

We had a lovely open day with our new infants: Daniel, Isabella, Masie, Nicole, Oisín and Riain. We're all looking forward to them starting on September 1<sup>st</sup>.

Yours sincerely,

Éilis Treacy

School Principal

# End of year activities

Tomorrow Tuesday we will visit the **Day Centre** and put on a little show of our **music**. Pupils 1<sup>st</sup> -6<sup>th</sup> who have been attending music lessons all year will be showing off their talents.

Congratulations to the school **camogie** team who qualified for the **county finals** in Loughgeorge on Thursday.

The **sports day** will be held during school time on Wed 21<sup>st</sup> June. Children will have to bring potato and spoon, tights for 3 legged race and a sack for the sack race. Our outgoing 6<sup>th</sup> class will design activities for the day.

The **Graduation** and **Achievements Ceremony** will be held on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June at 1:30pm. We will have an assembly and award the various achievements and celebrate our successes this year. We will have a graduation celebration for 6<sup>th</sup> class and their parents at the end.



## **Upcoming Events**

Tues 13th June

Day Centre visit

Thurs 15th June

Girls Final

Tues 20th June

Joyce Shield

Wed 21st June

Sports Day

Thurs 22nd June

Eyrecourt Examiner Tour

Friday 23rd June

School Tour

Mon 26th June

Achievements & Graduation day

Wed 28th June

School closes for summer

Fri 1st Sept

School Reopens

Classes Sept 2016

Junior Room: Infants-1st

to be appointed

Middle room: 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>

Mr Barrett

Senior Room: 5th & 6th

Ms Treacy

Learning Support & Resource: Mrs Barrett

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### **Uniform**

St. Brendan's NS, Eyrecourt is known for its beautiful red uniform. It is regularly commented on at public events. The school uniform is as follows:

#### **Uniform:**

- Red v-necked jumper with crest from Schoolwear centre
- Navy trousers/skirt/pinafore
- Blue shirt/blouse
- Black shoes

#### **School Tracksuit**

- Red tracksuit top with crest from Schoolwear centre
- Navy tracksuit bottoms straight leg (not jogging pants with elasticated ankle)
- Blue polo shirt
- Proper runners

Only the uniform jumper and tracksuit jumper must be bought from the Schoolwear centre. All the other parts of the uniform may be purchased from any other shop.

Each child **must** have one uniform jumper and one tracksuit top. As the child is wearing these clothes every day, they do wear out. It is important to replace any uniform that may be too small or have holes. There will be events and days when full uniform is insisted on and all pupils must have a **full uniform.** Tracksuit does not suffice.

# **Board of Management**

- St. Brendan's NS Board of Management met on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June at 8pm.
- St. Brendan's NS has been awarded the summer works grant. This was applied for in November 2015 and is to replace and repair the guttering and fascia and soffits of the building and also replace the flat roofs on either side of the old building.
- The school will be painted after this work is carried out and before we return to school in September.
- Funding continues to be an issue. At the end of year review of
  accounts the Treasurer found that the Department of Education
  funding barely meets the running costs of the school. This is a common
  theme in primary schools around the country, particularly small schools.
- The boards would like to remind parents to monitor their children's internet use and screen time. www.webwise.ie has tips and help for parents regarding this.
- Mrs Greaney will return to the junior room after her maternity leave
   ends. The substitute teacher for the junior room will be appointed in late August and parents will be
   notified before return to school.

### **School Tours**

#### **Junior Tour**

Infants to 2<sup>nd</sup> class are travelling to Galway to visit Galway Atlantaquaria.

The bus will leave at 8:50am and return for 3pm.

Tour Price: €14

### **Senior Tour**

3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> class are travelling to Clonmacnoise and Lough Boora.

We are having a tour of Clonmacnoise and a cycle tour of Lough Boora.

The bus will leave at 9:20am and return for 3pm

Tour Price: €16

For both tours pupils wear school tracksuits and need a full packed lunch and water proof jacket.

A note with more details will be sent out next week.

### **Eyrecourt Examiner Tour**

After another very successful year, The Eyrecourt Examiner team will spend their profits on a tour of Galway. They will travel by train into the city, have lunch in Dough Bros and visit the Connaught Tribune offices. They are currently learning all about the history of the city for their walking tour.