

Nuachtblíis Na Nollag 2023



December Newsletter 2023

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

Official School Opening:

On December 14th, 2023 Scoil an Chuasáin was officially opened by the Patron of our school Bishop Paul Connell. It was a wonderful occasion for the whole school community. A lot of preparation went into organising this event. A huge thanks to all our pupils, all our staff members, parents, members of the school community and all our special guests for all your contributions and support in marking this special event in the history of our school-go raibh míle maith agaibh!

Christmas Activities:

- The school staff and children travelled to our Lady Queen of Peace Church last Thursday (December 14th) to celebrate our Christmas Mass 2023. It was also a celebration of our Official School Opening.
- Fourth Classes travelled to Golden Island shopping centre on Thursday 21st of December for Carol Singing.
- On Monday, Santa and his elves visited the school and met all the children in their classrooms.
- Our raffle also took place . All the prize winners and ticket sellers received their prizes. Thanks to the Parents Association for organising both events, Please see the list of winners below.
- On Friday 16th December, we had a Non-uniform/Christmas Jumper Day in aid of "The Ronald MacDonald House". An amazing €893 was raised on the day for this worthy charity.



- We will have a second Non-Uniform/Christmas Jumper Day tomorrow (December 22nd) as it is the day of the holidays. No fee.
- Santa and his elves visited our classes on Monday. They had a treat for all pupils as they have worked very hard since September! Thanks to the Parents Association for this very enjoyable event and a special thank you to Santa for taking time out of his busy schedule to visit us in Coosan N.S!

Swimming:

Sixth classes will attend swimming lessons for the months of January and February starting on Tuesday 9th January 2024.

School Self-Evaluation:

Our school's new focus for SSE beginning this year is Wellbeing. The school has started the process this term and will involve everyone in the school community pupils, parents/guardians and school staff in this new cycle over the coming months. The school will provide more information in due course.

School Fees:

Swimming: Pupils from Coosan NS will attend swimming lessons similar to last year. The charge per pupil will be €50.

- Art & Craft: We would like to thank all who have paid the fee of €50 per pupil and remind any family who has not done so to please do so at your earliest convenience.
- Basketball: We would like to thank all who have paid the fee of €20 per pupil and remind any family who has not done so to please do so at your earliest convenience.
- Voluntary Contribution: In Coosan NS, we are very privileged to have such a wonderful new school building and fantastic grounds. The challenge the school faces both now and into the future will be in maintaining these wonderful facilities as well as running the school in the normal manner each school year. For this reason, the school is asking for a voluntary contribution from each child of €50 capped at €100 per family. This is not compulsory and any contribution will be very much appreciated-thank you!

Payment for all of the above can be made on the Aladdin Connect App or to the office.

PA Association Report:

The Parent Association were delighted to assist Santa and his elves on their visit to the school. All classes were extremely excited and Santa was very impressed with the children's manners from junior infants all the way up to 6th class.

Our annual Christmas raffle took place on the 18th December and we were very grateful to have 25 fantastic prizes. Huge thanks to our very generous sponsors and supporters and well done to all the lucky winners.

The Parents Association would like to congratulate the school on their official opening. Well done to all the staff involved.

Our next meeting will take place on the 9th January at 8.30pm and we encourage parents to come along to a meeting for a cup of tea to see what's involved. We always love to see new faces.

Holidays:

Our school closes on Friday December 22nd, at 12 noon for Christmas and we will reopen on Monday, January 8th, 2024.

A Word of thanks:

On behalf of the Board of Management and all staff at Coosan National School, I wish to thank you for your support and cooperation in all school activities since September.



Nollaig faoi mhaise agus Bliain Nua faoi shéan diabh go léir

Le gach dea-ghuí

Ms. S. Cunningham

Principal

Coosan National School

Results of Parents Association Raffle

Name	Prize
1-Mike Walle	200€ card dunnes stores
2-Cormac O'Beine	100€ gift voucher
3-Eoin Ronaldson	100€ gift card
4-Andrea Dully	150€ SuperValu gift card
5-Roisin Rizza	100€ the villager
6-Anne-Marie Cleary	Family pass for waterpark worth 100€
7-Phil Guinain	100€ gift card Cunningham's
8-David Cleary	50€ gift card for B&Q
9-Adam Monarty	50€ gift voucher Elevate Athlone
10-Carla Sabatini	50€ Gift card Donnelan's pure pharmacy
11-Terrie O'Neill	gift card scandinavian sleeping and living
12-Keara	50€ gift voucher Maria's Beauty Rooms
13-Rebecca Fagan	viking tours
14-John Lynch	IMC Complementary ticket valid for 4 persons
15-Doreen Holloway	20€ Whytes Pharmacy
16-Hugh O Rourke	gift voucher the planet
17-Matilda Kennedy	family day pass 2 adults and 2 kids to birr castle demesne
18-Karolina Kos	Day visit family (2+2) pass to belveder house, garden, & park
19-Kelly Chen	Day visit family (2+2) pass to belveder house, garden, & park
20-Anne Newman	Day visit family (2+2) pass to belveder house, garden, & park
21-Cieran Temple	free family admission to the Athlone castle
22-Mary Blady	free family admission to the Athlone castle
23-Lindsey Egan	free family admission to the Athlone castle
24-Archie Farell	free family admission to the Athlone castle
25-Neil Loyle	Dun Na Si family voucher
26-Lindsey Callu	Tara Glassworks
27-Dara Magee	Irish Clock