

November 2021 Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Parent-Teacher Meetings

It has been decided to hold Parent-Teacher in-person meetings with a parent of each pupil in Junior Infants to 2nd class. The standard Covid measures will apply.

Parent-teacher meetings for our senior pupils will be held by phone.

Your child's teacher will email directly requesting you to book a 10-minute slot.

Planning Permission Notice

The school is seeking planning permission to create a parking bay for wheelchair access. A site notice has been erected at the main gate. Funding has been secured from the Department of Education for this purpose.

PTA

We welcome the new committee and wish them well in their endeavours to work on behalf of all pupils. Stacy Forsyth is the new chairperson. You can email them directly at ptaobns@gmail.com. Watch out for their Christmas Newsletter which will be issued shortly.

Enrolments for 2022

Enrolment applications for Junior Infants for the next school year will commence on the 10th of January. Application forms will be available on the website from this date and an email will go out with the link. The closing date will be 2.30 pm on the 31st January.

Repairs

Repairs to the school are ongoing since the leak in the roof in August. All electrical work has been carried out and an upgrade of the fire system will commence shortly.

The floor in the Hall, which has buckled, will be repaired. I can give no date yet for this.

Covid 19

Thank you for all you are doing to keep yourselves, the pupils and the staff of the school safe. We are planning to have a nativity play on the day of the holidays but at this stage, we are unsure if parents/guardians will be invited given the high number of cases. While concerts etc can go ahead, we do not wish to spoil anyone's Christmas. We will take advice and let you know.

Policy Review

All schools are required to have a policy in place regarding a [Reduced School](#) Day. The draft is before you for your input. I would be grateful if you would return any comments before Monday 20th November.

Ciara Gibbons

I am delighted to say that Ciara had a baby boy, James, on the 28th of October. Both Mum and baby are doing well

Christmas Holidays

The school will close at noon on Wednesday 22nd December and reopen on Thursday 6th January.