



Claremorris Boys NS Newsletter



News And Updates From The Principal

Dear parents/guardians,

We have reached the end of an action packed school term. Our boys have represented our school so well in a variety of competitions and initiatives. They are a joy to work with and great representatives of the town.

I wish to acknowledge every staff member at the school. Their spirit of cooperation and the care for the children each day, makes our school a happy place to be and a great place to learn. I am extremely grateful to each of them for their contribution.

Before we finish our school term, I would like to wish every family an enjoyable break. Keep safe and well and thank you all again for the warm welcome to a fantastic town and community.

Ciarán Murray, Principal

Amalgamation Discussions

The Diocese of Tuam and Archbishop Francis Duffy, Patron of Scoil Mhuire gan Smál and Claremorris Boys School, have appointed Malachy Molloy as facilitator for the discussions on the amalgamation of the two schools. A Steering Group meeting was held on 23rd October with representatives from our school and the Convent School.

It was established that there is a local commitment and interest in setting up a newly amalgamated school. The surveys were 90% (CBNS) and 90% (SMGS) in favour of the amalgamation. We would be using the existing facilities with some movement between the two sites. No additional resources are being allocated. No one loses out in the amalgamation process i.e. post holders, ancillary staff. All stakeholders will have input into the new school name and the uniform. Both schools need to start looking at school-related issues and facilities to address any potential issues.

Policies

Please keep an eye on our school website as we will be reviewing and updating mandatory and organizational policies.

<https://www.claremorrisbns.com/>

You can also follow us on X (formally Twitter)

<https://twitter.com/ClaremorrisBNS>

GOAL Jersey Day - €167.55 raised



Dates For Your Diary!

- *Parent Teacher Meetings - Tuesday 14th
Wednesday 15th November.*
- *Book Fair - Book fair in school 20th - 27th
November*
- *Science Week - Schools Science week
13th-17th November*
- *In Service Day - School closed December 12th
for staff training on the new Maths Curriculum.*

Cumann na mBunscol

Our Boys' Mini 7's GAA football team enjoyed getting back to competitive action this term. Despite narrowly losing out on a place in the final, it whet the appetite for the 15-a-side competitive action later this year. We are so proud of the boys and their efforts.

Cross Country

Well done to our athletes from 2nd-6th Class who represented our school in the South Mayo Primary Schools Cross Country Championships in Ballinrobe in September. A huge congratulations to the 5/6th Class team who progressed from there to take 2nd place in the Mayo Championships in Belleek, Ballina and who went on to capture 3rd place bronze medals in the Connacht Championships in Tuam. A historical achievement for the school's cross country team that will no doubt inspire our future athletes!



Parents Association

Our Parents' Association team has been working behind the scenes. The P.A held a very successful information night for the new parents in 2nd class with Múinteoir Catherine. Currently the P.A. have cash for a clobber recycling drive. We would love it if you could contribute any old clothes to the school hall for collection on the 8th and 9th of November. Here is a picture of the team!



L-R: Brendan Walsh - 6th Class
Catherine Walsh -5th Class
Michelle Kirkpatrick - Secretary - 2nd Class
Michelle Cosgrove - Vice Chairperson - 3rd Class
Aidan Blake - Treasurer -3rd Class
Carmel McTigue - Chairperson - 6th Class
Louise Veldon - 2nd Class

If you would like to assist the Parents Association in any way you can contact them at the following:

claremorrisbnsparentsassociati@gmail.com

Sponsorship

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Claremorris GAA Chairman Paul Hunt and all at Hillside Service Station, Ballyhaunis Rd (Hunts Mace) for the generous sponsorship of GAA equipment for our school recently. Thanks also to Noel & Pdraig for your involvement. The children are looking forward to using balls to further develop their skills and grá for the game. Claremorris Abú!



Active Flag

We are in full flow with our Active Flag participation which encourages movement on a daily basis. We have introduced a new yard game called 4-Square which the children love. We recently held a table tennis day to round off a superb week of fun and games during European Week of Sport. A special thanks to Brendan Walsh, Keith Foody and St. Colman's College for supplying the school with table tennis tables for the boys. It was very much appreciated. Active School 'Active Halloween' activities took place on the day of the mid-term break.