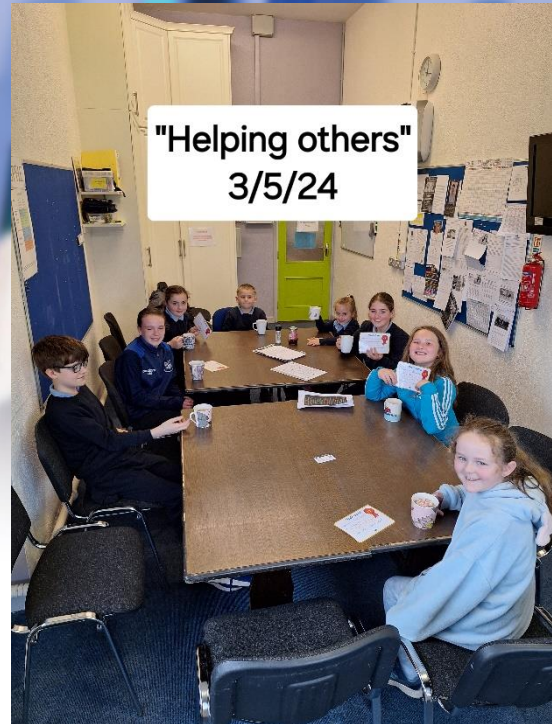




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Daltaí Na Seachtaine



Well done to the children pictured above who received an award for their behaviour whilst on yard at breaktime. Each of these children make a special effort to include people in games and play in a respectful well.

Congratulations also to the children who received an award in assembly for 'helping others'. All these children should be very proud of their efforts over the past number of weeks. Keep up the good work everyone.



Gaeilgeoir na seachtaine





Camoige and Hurling

A very busy few weeks of hurling for all the boys and girls teams. Our Girls Rackard League team were beaten by a single point in the Roinn A Quarter Final against an excellent Ballindaggin team. Our girls Rising stars team had a good win over Kennedy Park.

Boys rising stars had the pic of the victories coming out the right side of their game away in Rathangan. They also narrowly lost out to Piercestown lately. Our Boys Rackard League team will be in the quarter final of Roinn B against Tintern in the coming weeks. Best of luck to the teachers and boys and girls taking part.

Senior Infants

Senior Infants enjoyed watching agrikids farm safety talk. This educational talk gives children an increased awareness of the dangers on a farm.

They also made their very own unique patchwork elephants using recycled milk cartons just like Elmer from the book they have been reading.



Soccer Blitz

Well done to the boys and girls from 5th and 6th class who represented the school so well recently in the FAI soccer blitz in Graigenamanagh. Special mention to Maeve from 5th class pictured below receiving the 'match ball' after scoring a hattrick in one of the games.



Gardening

A big thank you to Anne Q. and 3rd class for all the work weeding and planting some lovely fresh new flowers out the front of the school.



Rounders

Rounders has taken Cushinstown by storm. Well done to the huge number of boys and girls from 5th and 6th class representing the school. We have played great games against Newbawn and Caroreigh in school lately and have a few more games to look forward to. Thanks to Ms. Grennan and Mr. McDonald for all the organising and training.

6th Class Art/ History Project

6th class recently worked together constructing models of local Norman landmarks. They really enjoyed learning the history behind these sites and then constructing them using recycled materials.



Thanks also to 2nd class and Ms. Whelan for teaching the school some Spanish during assembly. They are one of the classes taking part in a 10 week block of Spanish lessons with our Spanish tutor Maria Alegarte. This is part of the 'Say Yes To Languages' programme the school were awarded funding for.

1st class Superstars

Hot Air Balloons

2nd Class were learning about the science behind hot air balloons recently and they created these lovely models during an art lesson.



A lovely display in 1st class showing off some of the superstars in the class who have made the newspaper etc. for various reasons.

Supper Troopers



SuperTroopers Afterschool and morning club is taking enquiries for the 2024/2025 school year. If you wish to avail of the service please message Emma 085 8135484 or email supertroopers18@gmail.com at your earliest convenience as spaces are limited.

Opening hours are;
Mon - Fri 8am - 9.10am
Mon - Thurs 2pm-5pm
Friday 2pm-3pm

Sunroom Project

Students in the sunroom have been making their very own housing estates. Looking forward to seeing what grows in those gardens!!!!



Some students from the Sunroom and other classes recently visited Secret Valley Wildlife park and had a great day there.

New School Uniform

As most of you may know we are changing our school uniform from **September 2024**. In place of the trousers, shirt and jumper combination, we will only be asking children to have a school tracksuit. This will consist of a plain unbranded navy tracksuit bottoms, a plain unbranded light blue polo tee shirt and a crested 'quick dry' Bodibro half zip top. The top will be available to purchase online in the coming weeks. There will also be the **non-compulsory option** to purchase a crested navy tracksuit bottom from Bodibro if you wish.

There will be an opportunity for your child to try on the tops in the school if you wish in the coming weeks. I will send more information and notification when the jumper is ready to purchase along with the price list etc. I have attached a screenshot of the jumper design which was picked by the parent's association and staff.

Option A



Some Dates in May for your Diary

Hot Meals

Every class has enjoyed the first few weeks of their hot food at lunch times. We are asking children to bring an empty lunchbox to school so they can bring home unfinished food. Please remember if you wish to change the order for following week you must do so by Thursday the week before, otherwise the order will continue from previous week. Thank you.

School Mission Statement

Over the past number of months as part of the schools SSE (School Self Evaluation) process we have been coming up with a new school mission statement. We have got input from the staff, the students council, the board of management and the parents association whilst doing this. I am pleased to say we have it written up and completed.

School Mission Statement; *Here in Cushinstown National School we provide an inclusive, happy learning environment where each child is given the opportunity to reach their full potential, where positive attitudes, mutual respect and teamwork is promoted.*

School Calendar 2024/2025

I have attached a copy of the school calendar for 2024/2025. **The first day of school for children will be Thursday the 29th of August.**

School Tour dates

Payments details for the tours will be sent out via Aladdin the week of the 13th of May.

- Juniors and Seniors – 13th of June (Woodfield Farm)
- 1st and 2nd – 20th of May (Let's Go Waterford)
- 3rd and 4th – 11th of June (Castlecomer Discovery Park)
- 5th – 6th of June (Freedom Surf School Tramore)
- 6th – 21st of June (Dunmore Adventure Centre)

- **School Re-opens after week on Monday 13th of May**
- Tuesday 14th of May- Girls Mini-7s round 2
- Thursday 16th of May – Rounders in Clongeen 5th and 6th class
- Saturday 18th of May – Communion
- Tuesday 21st of May – Athletics
- Tuesday 21st of May – Fire Brigade visiting school for 3rd and 4th class
- Wednesday 22nd of May – Tag Rugby Blitz for 6th class in New Ross Rugby Club

REMINDER

- **Children are off from 6/5/24 – 10/5/24**