

# SN Baile Cuisin Newsletter June 2024

## **Daltaí Na Seachtaine**

Each week this year the children worked on certain themes in school. The last few weeks of school they have been working on 'Staying Active' The previous weeks it was 'Determination'. After each assembly the winners in each class have got to go to the staff room for a treat with myself. This time spent with children from all classes and having a chat over a cup of hot chocolate has been one of the highlights of my year. Well done and thank you to all the children who have won awards and tried their very best each week in school.





# **Rackard League and Rising Stars**

Well done to all the boys and girls who took part in Rackard League and Rising Stars competitions during the year. Both our boys and girls teams had a lot of good days out. We also were delighted to have entered Mini-7s, A 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> class blitz in Wexford Park and a 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> class Blitz in New Ross. All these days out wouldn't have been possible but for the work of the teachers who took teams and the parents who provided lifts. Thanks to Mr. Wadding, Mr. McDonald, Mr. Doyle, Ms. Jackman, Ms. Dunphy and Ms. O'Leary who all helped out with matches and training during the year.





# **Hurling 365 Flag**

Big thanks to our Hurling 365 volunteers who have come into school during lunchtimes all year to provide coaching and GAA games to all classes. It is really appreciated and we look forward to continuing to work with the Rath-Cush GAA in the coming year. The year finished up this week with a brilliant day of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> class finals in the school. Thanks to AL for coming in and helping out. Thanks to the parents for coming in as we rose the Hurling 365 Flag for the first time in the school. We are very honored to have received this acknowledgement for the hard work being put in by all.









# **Athletics in Enniscorthy**



Well done to the 30 odd children who represented the school so well in the County Athletics day in Enniscorthy. It was a very enjoyable day. Thanks to Mr. McDonald and Gearldine O'Brien for helping out on the day. A huge well done to Sarah O'Brien who improved on her bronze medal in 2023 to silver in 2024. Congratulations.

# **Tag Rugby Blitz New Ross Rugby Club**



Well done to the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> class boys and girls who represented the school in a tag Rugby blitz recently.

### **Rounders**

Well done to the rounders teams this year. Thanks to Ms. Grennan and Mr. McDonald for their efforts.





# **School Tours**

Classes had a great time on their various school tours this year.





































# **Active Week / Sports Day**

A huge thank you to all the teachers for putting on such an enjoyable active week and sports day for all the students. A special thanks to Ms. O'Leary for all the organising.









## 1<sup>st</sup> Communion



2<sup>nd</sup> class had a wonderful day for their First Communion at the end of May. Thanks to Ms. Whelan for her hard work with the class. Thanks to the parents who were also involved in preparations.

## **Garda Visit**



Thanks to Community Garda Kevin Burke who spent a full day with us visiting each class and answering lots of questions.

# **Leadership Seminar**

5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> class had a visit from a guest speaker recently. The focus of the day was about building leadership and resilience skills for the students.



# 6<sup>th</sup> Class Graduation

Well done to all in  $6^{th}$  class on their recent graduation. We wish all of them the best in the future.



## **Full Attendance**

Huge well done Cara, James and Éabha who didn't miss a single day all year.



Congrats also to Tadhg Cullen, Éanna Wall, Abbie Kehoe, Jessica Reville and Matthew Fleming who all only missed 1 day and Hannah O'Neill, Cian Rossiter and Darragh Maloney who only missed two days.

# **Wexford Jersey Competition**



New Wexford Jersey Competition. Mr. Doyle has sent on winners to Keith Rossiter.

## **Uniforms**

A collection date for uniforms will be announced. This will likely be towards the end of August. These will be available to collect from school. **The Bodibro shop will also open up online for one week only from the 22**<sup>nd</sup> **of July** for anyone who missed orders. (*These orders may not be processed by September*)

#### Staff

Next years staff was announced recently. Some substitute positions have also been filled for next year.

Juniors – Leona Finn + Catriona Hanton

Seniors/ 1st - Anna-Lucia Bracken

2<sup>nd</sup> Class – Eddie McDonald

3<sup>rd</sup> Class – Vanessa Leacy / Cian Wadding

4<sup>th</sup> Class – Jane Grennan

5<sup>th</sup> Class – Michelle O'Leary

6<sup>th</sup> Class – Damian Fitzgerald (1 day per week Rebecca Banville)

Sunroom – Deirdre Flynn

SET – Marie McCormack + Patrice Cummins, Valerie Ryan, Anne Breen.

SNA's – Anne Quigley, Pauline Murphy, Dora Stafford, Emma Lacey, Miriam O'Shea, Marina Byrne, Declan Cullen.

- Kate Kneafsey leaves the school after a great career in Cushinstown. She is moving back to Co.
   Offaly. We recently held a surprise assembly for Kate and all in school wish her the very best of luck. Her dedication and caring personality will always be fondly remembered here.
- Lauren Whelan, Cathal Doyle, Jessica Dunphy and Clodagh Jackman are all moving on after the year with us. I'd like to thank each of them for the fantastic contributions they have made to our school. They all have brilliant careers ahead of them and I wish them well with the adventures that lie ahead for them.
- Mairead Sutton and Carol Stacey are going on career breaks for the year. We wish them the very best of luck and we look forward to catching up with them again soon.







#### **Parents Association**

Thank you very much to our brilliant parents association for such hard work and dedication this year. You really treated us with the ice creams on the last few days. Thank you also for running our final split the pot of the year. Well done to our winner Anita Cullen on winning €520. I have also attached our Parents Association Newsletter to the document.



#### **Mock Elections**

Thanks to Bridin Lyng Maloney, John Fleming and Bridin Murphy who came in to speak to 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> class before the local and European elections recently.



# **Contacting the school**

Please note if you need to contact the school during the summer you may email office@cushinstownns.com. Please note response time will be affected.

# **Principals Note**

As we bring the school year to a close I wanted to extend my heartfelt gratitude to each and everyone of the school community. I couldn't have enjoyed my first year working with you all as principal any more.

To the parents, your involvement and encouragement has been vital to our success this year. Thank you. To the staff. Thank you for going above and beyond to make this school year a success. Your commitment and tireless efforts are greatly appreciated. Enjoy your well deserved break.

To our amazing students. Congratulations on your hard work, perseverance and achievements throughout the year. You have shown incredible growth, resilience and enthusiasm. We are proud of each and every one of your accomplishments. As the summer break begins I hope you enjoy a well-deserved rest. Have fun, explore new interests, and keep in touch with your friends. We look forward to welcoming you back refreshed and ready for another exciting school year.

Wishing you all a safe, happy and healthy Summer.

Damian.

#### 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 29<sup>th</sup> of August*. Please not one additional school closure day has been added from original Calendar. *This is Friday the 4th of October*. The teachers will be attending a training seminar on the Maths Curriculum.