

CALENDAR 2023-2024

Christmas Holidays: Closing Friday 22nd December at 12.15p.m. and re-opening on Monday, 8th January 2024.

Public Holiday: Monday, 5th February 2024.

February Mid-term Break: Thursday 15th and Friday, 16th February 2024.

Referendums on 'women in the home' reference and wider definition of family: March 8th, 2024

Public Holiday: Monday, 18th March 2024 - St. Patrick's Day.

Easter 2024: Closing Friday, 22nd March at 12.15p.m. and re-opening on Monday, 8th April 2024.

May Mid-term Break: Closed Monday, 6th to Friday, 10th May inclusive.

Public Holiday: Monday, 3rd June 2024

European Elections/ Directly Elected Mayor Vote: Provisional June 7th, 2024

Closing for Summer Holidays on Friday, 28th June at 12.15pm

There will be a school closure during this school year to facilitate staff training in the Primary Math Curriculum. We will notify parents as soon as we are made aware of the date. It is probable this closure will take place in Term 2 as opposed to Term 3.

JUNIOR INFANT APPLICATIONS 2024-2025

Applications for the Junior Infant Intake for 2024 are steadily coming in.

If you or your neighbours have or know of children due to start school, we advise that you / they log on to www.scoilide.ie and make the application. All offers of places are made in accordance with the Admissions Policy of Scoil Íde. This is available to view and read on our website www.scoilide.ie under the enrolment tab.

Secondary School Common Application System 2024-2025

The completed Application Form, accompanied by a stamped self-addressed envelope, should be submitted to the Principal at the Number 1 School of your choice.

Early submission of forms is advisable, but in any event, forms must be submitted no later than 12.30pm, Monday, 16th January 2024. Please enclose an A4 sized stamped self addressed envelope.

Please note that the responsibility for making an application rests with the parent/guardian .

A CHRISTMAS BLESSING

May all the days of all the years that God has still instore
Be filled with every joy and grace to bless you more and more;
May hope of heart and peace of mind beside you ever stay,
And that's the golden wish I have For you, this Christmas Day!



**Merry Christmas
from
Scoil Íde
Beannachtaí na Nollag**



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Merit Moments



Boland

- Omar Gouda - for being an example of how to treat others with kindness and respect.
- Abi Hannifin - for being a positive influence on those around her
- Keelin Byrne - For her enthusiasm for learning and class participation
- Mikey Mahon - for designing a card for Miss Breen that she will cherish as an original Mikey work of art!
- James O' Grady - For his excellent attitude to learning
- Ava Williams- For her excellent note-taking and the presentation of her work

Frost

- Max Vieira: " For displaying wonderful energy & enthusiasm in his performance during Frost's Christmas Show."
- Adam Butler "For his superb sporting achievements and for representing Scoil Íde with pride"
- Aurelija O' Flynn: " For working extremely hard on her creative writing & for producing excellent stories"
- Rónán Ó Cléirigh: " For his excellent acting skills and for his use of Gaeilge tríd an "Chéad Nollaig""
- Laoise Moore: " For her Incredible acting skills in her role as the "North Star" during our Nativity performance."

Heaney

- Cathal Gilroy: " For excellent obair during preparation don drámaíocht"
- Isaac Coughlan: " For excellent toy making abs stop motion work"
- Kingsley Yuan: " For displaying innovation and creativity in his toy making project."
- Danny Deedigan: " For consistent involvement and commitment to class work and project work"
- Liam Campbell: " For patience and persistence during the stop motion movie making project"

Always Remember

We think of all those in the Scoil Íde community who are not with us this Christmas. We remember in particular those who played such a pivotal role in making Scoil Íde such a great school to attend and work in.





**Renovated
website launches
8th of January 2024**



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Revised Parental Complaint Procedures

The parental complaints procedure was revised and agreed by the Irish National Teachers' Organisation and the management bodies of primary schools, the Catholic Primary Schools Management Association, the Church of Ireland, An Foras Pátrúnachta, the Muslim Primary Education Board, Educate Together and the National Association of Boards of Management in Special Education in 2023.

It is designed to provide an open and clearly defined process to facilitate parents/legal guardians in raising concerns about their own child/children in an agreed, fair and transparent manner.

Note:

A copy of this procedure will be available for parents/legal guardians on the school website and/or on request from the school from January 8th, 2024. This procedure comes into effect on the 1st of January 2024.

Under the Education Act 1998, legally, all schools are managed by the school's Board of Management, on behalf of the school patron.

Parking at the Corbally Road Side of the School

We have had a number of very close calls in the past few months at the front of the school on the Corbally Road. We would ask parents and guardians **to refrain from pulling in or parking on the stretch from the railings at Gate B outside reception all the way down to Gate D at the Senior Building.** Some day our luck will run out and there will be a serious accident or even worse, a fatality. People will have to adjust their routines in the near future as that stretch will be redesigned as part of our Safe Routes to School designation.

The Primary Maths Curriculum

The Department of Education has published a new maths curriculum for children in primary and special schools. The curriculum sets out what children will learn in maths in every school.

What is different and how children will learn under the new curriculum

The aim of the new curriculum is that children see maths as important and useful to their everyday lives. It does not change much of 'what' children learn, but it improves 'how' children learn maths.

If you want to read more about this change, and find supports for parents, see

1. gov.ie/primary-curriculum
2. ncca.ie/en/primary/resources-for-parents/



Christmas in Scoil Íde

We hosted a number of memorable events in the Halla and around the school in the run up to our Christmas holidays. Below are just some examples of what took place...

- 1st class Advent Service took place in the Halla and was attended by Parents and guardians and family members
 - Senior Infants Carol Performance attended by parents and guardians
- Filming of children from Junior Infants to 6th Class for the Whole School Online Assembly took place at various locations around the school.
 - Our Team of SNAs added festive features to our Outdoor Classroom
- The Late Late 6th Class Toy Show took place in the MakerSpace and was attended by children from 2nd, 3rd and 4th classes.
- Our 3rd classes got together to sing Christmas songs and have a Christmas Quiz on Wednesday and Thursday the 20th and 21st.
- The Annual Staff Super Duper Quiz took place in the Halla after school on December 6th. The reigning champs of Ms Guiry, Ms O' Connor, Mr Hennessy and Marie Moloney were replaced as champions by Anne O' Brien, Eileen Foley, Ciara Breen agus Fergal Maguire .