



# School Newsletter #3 2025

September 16th, 2025

## School Information



Scoil Íosa  
Oranmore

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School phone number campus 1 or campus 2: 091790312

Principal: Maeve Meenaghan

Deputy Principal: Ber Keane

## Admissions 2026/2027

Please see our website for information re our Admissions policy and admissions for September 26.

Admissions open from the 7th October- 7th November and it is important that all children, siblings etc who want a place must apply within the same timeframe in order to secure a place for Sep 26.



## Special Class Placement



Please see link below that contains up to date information for parents who are applying for places in a special class.

<https://ncse.ie/notify-ncse-special-class-special-school>

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## Sacraments Dates 2026

### Confirmation:

Thursday March 5th - 11am & 3pm.

### Communion:

Friday May 22nd - times to be confirmed.

More details to follow.

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## Don't Miss Out - First Parents Association Meeting!

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Wednesday, September 24th at 7:00 PM

Parents Association

Your voice matters! Join us for our first Parents Association meeting and be part of shaping an amazing year ahead. Whether you want to get involved, ask questions, or simply meet other parents - we want YOU there!

New families especially welcome. Come connect, contribute, and be part of our fantastic school community.

Location: Hall in Campus 2

See you on the 24th!

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## Late Drop off's - Collections

If a child is not present for our morning roll call , 10 30am, the child is marked absent- in the event a child comes in after the roll call the teacher will mark them late, however, in the end of year report the late entry is marked as absent on the roll.



Again just a reminder if you are dropping a child late or collecting a child early you must report to reception of either campus.

Parents collecting children from 1st class prefabs must go to reception where your child will be sent for and escorted over to reception.

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## School Closures

The school will be closed on October 24th to facilitate the Presidential Election voting process.

Oide(Teacher Professional learning ) - School Closure dates

04/11/2025 Child Protection Procedures – Whole School Professional Learning Day

25/02/2026 Day 1 - Primary Curriculum Framework

19/05/2026 Day 2 - Primary Curriculum Framework



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## Bí Cineálta

### Together for a safe and caring school.

The Bi Cineáltas policy which will be published on our website over coming days is about building a school where kindness and respect come first. It helps prevent and deal with bullying by encouraging children to look out for one another and treat everyone fairly.

Parents, teachers, and students all work together to make sure school is a safe, welcoming place for every child to learn and grow.

We look forward to weaving this ethos of kindness and respect into school life in the months and years ahead with a shared policy and understanding of what supports are in place when bullying behaviour occurs.



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## Sports Update

## **Camogie**

The mini sevens will be taking in Kilconieron next Tuesday the 23rd of September.

The girls will represent the school from 4th, 5th, 6th classes.

**Athletics**

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## **Athletics**

We recently had trials for the County Cross Country Event and were very proud of the large number of pupils who tried out and did their best. Four teams were chosen to take part – a boys and a girls team from 3rd/4th class and also from 5th/6th class. Four teams (a boys' and a girls' team from 3rd/4th class and also from 5th/6th class) have been entered from Scoil Íosa for the County Cross Country Championship semi-final. Pertinent information as it becomes available re the County and Connacht final will be forwarded to relevant parents. Your support on the day would be much appreciated. Please see the following for all information:

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qJW8egJPcJYSHZcncr\\_sqUniLRNEiyid/edit?usp=drive\\_link&oid=116844274557887159977&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qJW8egJPcJYSHZcncr_sqUniLRNEiyid/edit?usp=drive_link&oid=116844274557887159977&rtpof=true&sd=true)

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## ***Cycling to School***



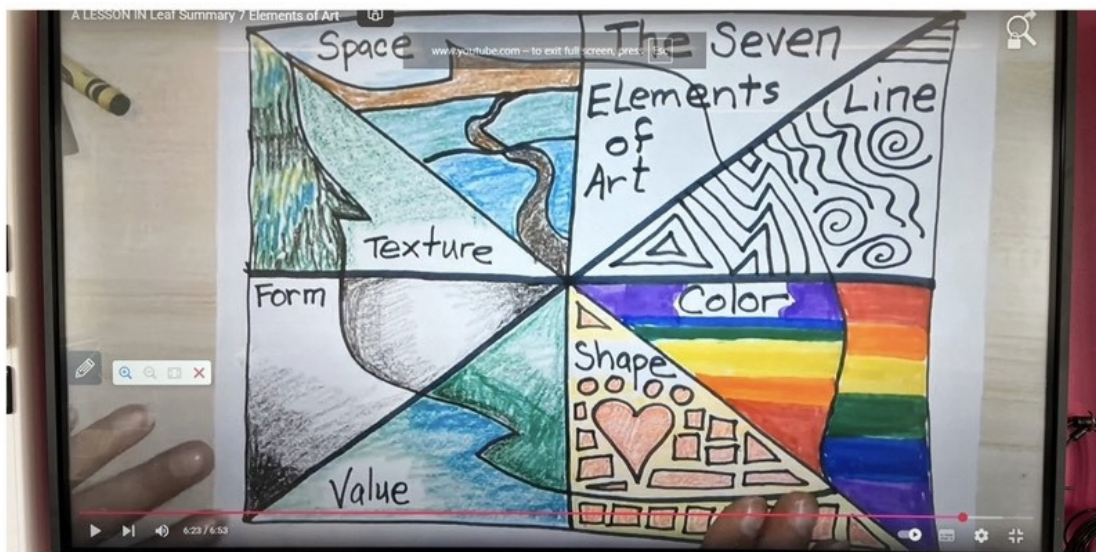
If your child is cycling to school, please remind them about staying safe and following the cycling rules. We have had one or two frightening episodes recently whereby we feel the need to ask you to talk to all children again re safety first.

We want everyone to get to and from school safely – thanks for your support!

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## ***Mr. Joyce's Sixth Class Update***

In Mr Joyce's 6th class we looked at the 7 Fundamental Elements of art; Texture, Space, Form, Value, Line, Colour, Shape.



## Mr. Ryan's Junior Infants Class Update

Creative Faces in Mr. Ryan's Class!


This week, Mr. Ryan's class had a blast getting creative with scissors, glue, and plenty of imagination! The students looked closely at themselves in a mirror before taking on the fun challenge of creating their own self-portraits. It was a wonderful hands-on activity that encouraged fine motor skills and artistic expression - and the results were as unique as each student!



## Power Soccer

Please see information in link below on Soccer Coaching taking place in Oranmore.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/19oVAedcRfmzzocXssgtXlkBGGCMEtBhgXZfGrSFdTd8/edit?tab=t.0>



**SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE**  
**MONDAYS IN ORANMORE**  
*Starts Monday September 15<sup>th</sup>*

Age	Start Time	Finish Time
4-5yrs	5pm	5:50pm
5-6yrs	5pm	5:55pm
7-9yrs	6pm	6:55pm
10yrs+	7pm	7:55pm

On Astro at Oranmore Community Centre, Dublin Road.

Power Soccer Coaches are available for birthday parties? We also run weekly classes in Barna, Boleybeg, Moycullen & Salthill.

**[www.powersoccer.ie](http://www.powersoccer.ie)**

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## Calasanctius Open Night

Date to be confirmed - keep an eye out on Website

<https://calasanctius.ie/page/Open-Night-1st-Yr-202627/630680/Index.html>



For now, mark your diary on **Oct 1st 2025** as this is the day our application form goes live and you don't want to miss out!

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## The Bish Open Night

Please see link below to information on the Open Night at St. Joseph's Patrician College, "The Bish".

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/129GIlgDFfdRMpBdCJr5kYJ6rWndMguBSKFR6ekWrQPI/edit?tab=t.0>



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