



# School Newsletter #16

## 2026

January 7th 2026

### School Information



**School email :** [info@scoiliosaoranmore.ie](mailto:info@scoiliosaoranmore.ie)

**School phone number campus 1 or campus 2:** 091790312

**Principal:** Maeve Meenaghan

**Deputy Principal:** Ber Keane

**Child safeguarding DLP :** Maeve Meenaghan

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### Welcome Back

Welcome back and a very Happy New Year to you all. I hope you all enjoyed a restful break with family and friends.

We have much to look forward to this term, our dedicated staff are ready to support every student in reaching their full potential, and we're committed to making this term both productive and enjoyable.

As always, we value the strong partnership between home and school. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

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## Dates to Remember for Term 2

Monday 2nd of February - Bank Holiday  
Friday 13th of February - Staff Meeting (school closing at 12:00)  
Thursday 19th & Friday 20th of February - Midterm break  
Wednesday 25th of February - School Closure - Staff Training Day with Oide

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

Monday 16th of March - School Closed  
Tuesday 17th of March - St. Patrick's Day  
Friday 27th of March - Easter Holidays at 12:00

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## First Confession & First Communion Dates

The children in Second Class will be making their First Confession on **Thursday, 12th March 2026**, at 11:15 a.m.

First Holy Communion will take place on Friday, 22nd May 2026. The ceremony for Ms Kelly's, Ms Lynch's, Ms Callanan's and Ms Hannon's classes will take place at 10:30 a.m. The ceremony for Ms Conneely's and Mr Bannon's classes will take place at 1:00 p.m.



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## School Starting time- Reminders

School starts at 8 50am -

If your child arrives at school after 9am they must report to reception at either campus. Children who arrive late must be logged by the parent on Aladdin as a late arrival.



We appreciate that due to various circumstances children may arrive late to school and we do not want parents or children stressing if they do happen to be late, However it's when a pattern emerges of children consistently arriving late we are obliged to address this with parents.

Thanking you for your understanding.

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## Early Collections

We encourage you to make appointments outside of school times where are at all possible to allow for smooth running of classes.

Of course this is not always feasible and we understand early collections are inevitable.

If you are collecting children whilst they are on yard for small and big lunch you may expect a delay as it can take time to bring your child to reception. Break times are as follows:

Small break 10:50-11:05am

Big break: 12:45-1:10pm

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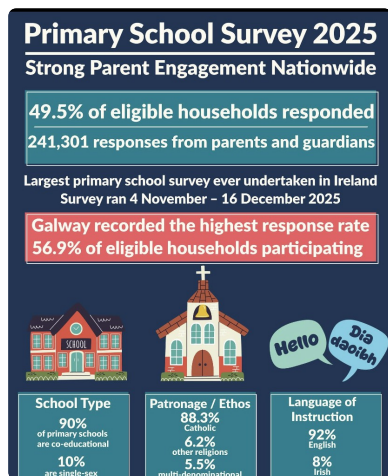
## Parents Association Christmas Gift

Many thanks to our Parents Association who kindly presented the staff with 2 coffee machines at Christmas. We very much appreciate the kind gesture.

*Thank you!*

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## Survey on School Patronage



Please see letter below regarding the School Patronage survey from Diocesan Advisor, Pat Kelly

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/19JJN3\\_nUrA00lIpcXhE9Tqscmt50oJ73uiDXGb1bHBM/edit?tab=t.0](https://docs.google.com/document/d/19JJN3_nUrA00lIpcXhE9Tqscmt50oJ73uiDXGb1bHBM/edit?tab=t.0)

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## School Photos



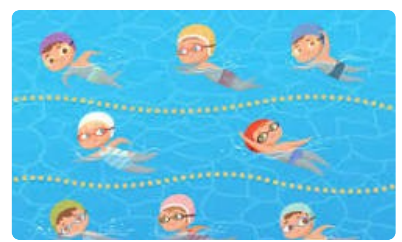
County photos will be taking school photos on 28th January.

Further details will be sent home with your child once proofs are available.

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## Swimming

Swimming lessons for third class will commence on Thursday, 15th January 2026 at Kilcornan Swimming Pool. Fully qualified swimming instructors will take the pupils for one hour every Thursday for a duration of eight weeks. Further information along with the payment link has been sent to parents via Aladdin.



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## **Irish Music Lessons**

Beginner Tin Whistle lessons and Mixed Instrument Group lessons Wednesdays 2.30pm to 3.30pm from 21 st January for 7 weeks – Campus 1

Please click on google from below for more information and to register interest.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdM2XGes9ZEq8C9rt6vTwUeKXp825BqRxRcNvAK6vWkt4z9rQ/viewform?usp=sharing&ouid=118019810722432897859>



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## **After School Computer Club & Art Classes**

Please find information about after-school Computer and Art lessons in the link below:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1dKHM3BixqoFhidwj9YLT1wr0xINVIZWexeoNha3ld4/edit?tab=t.0>



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## **Lost Jackets**

If your child has lost a jacket on Campus 1 (pictured below), please contact Tina at Reception



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