

# Castleblakeney National School

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May 2025

Dear Parent,

Below is a list of important dates for your diary

## Dates for Your Diary

Wednesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> – Provincial finals for Ireland's Fittest School in Ballinagare, Co. Roscommon

Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup> – Boys Football Cumann na mBunscol Competition in Williamstown

Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup> – First Holy Communion for children in 2<sup>nd</sup> Class.

Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> May – School Closes at 12 noon for our Bí Cinealta Day – Staff Planning.



Monday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> – Bank Holiday - School Closed

Friday, June 6<sup>th</sup> – Junior Tour to Turoe Pet Farm – Junior Infants to Second Class

Tuesday, June 10<sup>th</sup> – Relationships and Sexuality Talk (RSE) Talk for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Class

Wednesday, June 11<sup>th</sup> – Sports Day



Thursday, June 12<sup>th</sup> – Drumming Workshop For All. Additional Educational Experience funded by Christmas Fundraiser



Friday, June 13<sup>th</sup> – Experience Morning for New Junior Infants

9:20am to 10:45am.

Friday, June 13<sup>th</sup> – Planning for Staff  
School Closes at 12noon for children

Wednesday, June 18<sup>th</sup> – Senior Tour to Westport House and Adventure Park

Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup> – End of Year Mass at 11am followed by Short Summer Concert at 12noon and Graduation Ceremony. All Invited

Wednesday, June 25<sup>th</sup> – School at 12noon for summer holidays



School reopens after Summer Break on Thursday, August 28<sup>th</sup> 2025.

## END OF YEAR REPORTS

End of Year Reports will be emailed.

Please make sure that the school has your up to date email address by emailing the school at [gallachns@hotmail.com](mailto:gallachns@hotmail.com)

School reports will be available on June 18<sup>th</sup> 2025.

Standardised Testing will take place for all classes in the coming weeks.

Absent Notes



It is important that all absences are explained with a note. All notes should be handed to the class teacher. This is a requirement of the National Education Welfare Board (NEWB).  
Thanking you for your continued co-operation.

## Enrolment 2025-2026

Enrolment Forms available on



request and at  
[www.castleblakeneyns.ie](http://www.castleblakeneyns.ie)

## Open Morning for New Entrants

Children commencing Junior Infants next September are invited to experience a morning in school on Friday, June 13th.

Children may come to school for 9:20am and will be collected at 10:45am.

## Junior Tour



**Children from Junior Infants to Second Class** will travel to Turoe Pet Farm. Children must wear a long sleeve top and school tracksuit bottom. Children will be provided with a hot lunch whilst there. If you wish your child to go on the summer tour please sign and return the attached form with **€35 in an envelope by Friday, May 30<sup>th</sup> 2025**.

## Senior Tour

Children from 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> classes will travel to the home of Gráinne Mhaol - Westport House and Adventure Park for their summer tour. An email containing important information has been sent to parents. Please make sure to **check**



for this email and follow the link to confirm your consent to allow your child to participate in the tour and activities. *Failure to do this will result in your child not being allowed to participate.* Please find attached our school permission slip which must be returned to the school by **Friday, May 30<sup>th</sup>**.

### Parent Contribution

This money is essential for running of our school. It is used to subsidise pupil insurance, sch art supplies and extra - curricular activities. *Attached is envelope for your contribution.*

**Payment options are as follows:**

**Option 1:** Payment in Full €150 for year

**Option 2:** Payment per term - €50 per term

## Next Academic Year

Mrs. Fallon will teach Junior Infants, Senior Infants and First Class. Mr. Forde will teach 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> classes. Ms. Maher will teach 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> classes. Mrs. Walsh and Mr. Diskin will work in SEN. School Calendar 25/26 attached.

Mise le meas, \_\_\_\_\_  
Anna Maher - Príomhoide