

DROM News

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Super September



Drom National School Junior Infants 2019 - 2020

Welcome back to another year at Drom National School. A particularly warm welcome to our new students. Ten new children started in Drom National School this year, with eight of those starting in Junior Infants and the remaining two starting in Senior Infants and First Class. Our new students are Mairéad Kate Barry, Niamh Heeney, Chloe Kiely, Georgia Maher, Annie Ryan, Tom Cahill, Tadhg Heeney, Cathal Kennedy, Martin Kennedy and Michael Ryan. We are delighted also to welcome many new families to our school community and hope that our school can continue to grow and be an integral part of Drom community into the future. With hard work and the support of those in our community the sky's the limit.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Quiz Club: 3rd – 6th Class: Each Wed. lunchtime in Term 1: Ms. Moore-Walsh's Room.**
- **Athletics Club: 3rd – 6th Class: Each Thurs. lunchtime in Term 1: Ms. Moore-Walsh**
- National Tree Day Ireland: 3rd Oct. 2019
- FAI Soccer Blitz: 3rd & 4th Class Boys & Girls: Peake Villa, Thurles: 4th Oct. 2019 @ 10am
- Space Week Ireland: 4th Oct. 2019 – 10th Oct. 2019
- Visit from Garda Kelly: 8th Oct. 2019
- Maths Week Ireland: 12th – 20th Oct.
- Friendship Week: 21st – 25th Oct.
- Mid-Term Break: School closes on Fri. 25th Oct. 2019 @ 3pm. School re-opens on Mon. 4th Nov. 2019 @ 9.20am.

MATHS WEEK IRELAND

Maths Week Ireland will take place from October 12th to October 20th. In our school we will take part in many fun maths activities including maths trails, maths quizzes and maths games. We will also be asking our parent community to become involved by taking part in our Maths Week challenge. More about this wonderful 'addition' to our school year in October so keep an eye on our school website in the coming weeks!



SWIMMING

The school has applied for permission to use the Garda College swimming pool in Term 2 this year. We will inform parents / guardians in due course if our application is successful.

ATHLETICS

On Thursday, 26th September 2019, students from 3rd to 6th Class attended the Tipperary Cross Country Championship in the Thurles Crokes Complex. With help from Ms. Moore-Walsh and Ms. Butler, the children trained each day for this event and their hard work paid off. All children put in spectacular performances and were complemented on their behaviour both on and off the track. Louis Stapleton won a bronze medal in his race while others improved their placing several places on last year. Well done to all involved. We are proud of your efforts and delighted with your success. Individual results can be found on

<http://www.tipperaryathletics.com/results/2019/Primary%20Schools%20XC%20Results%202019.pdf> A link to this can also be found on the school website.

SECONDARY SCHOOL OPEN EVENINGS 2019 - 2020

A list of open evenings for secondary schools in Thurles, Templemore and Borrisoleigh has been published on our school website alongside the website addresses of these schools. Please contact the individual schools for further details.

ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICINES POLICY

As we approach the winter season, we take the opportunity to remind parents of the school's Administration of Medicines Policy. The following points should be noted:

- Prescribed medicines will only be administered after parents of the pupil concerned have written to the Board of Management requesting the Board to authorise a member of the teaching staff to do so.
- The Board will seek indemnity from parents in respect of any liability arising from the administration of medicines.
- Parents are responsible for the provision of medication and notification of change of dosage.
- Under no circumstance will non-prescribed medicines be either stored or administered in the school. e.g. lozenges, pain medication such as Calpol etc.

The full policy and relevant forms are available to download at www.dromns.com. Please select 'PARENTS' section, followed by 'POLICIES' section. Alternatively, the policy and forms can be requested in hard copy by calling the office on (0504) 51688 between 9.30am and 4.30pm.

SCHOOL UNIFORM & TRACKSUIT

In Term 1, students should wear their school uniform on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. The school tracksuit should be worn on Thursday and Friday. In particularly cold weather, we suggest that girls wear heavy tights or a grey trousers if available.

PARENTAL CONCERNS

Should you have any concerns about your child's progress please contact your child's teacher in the first instance. Your child's teacher is best placed to speak with you about your child's progress. Please do not use the school email to contact teachers about concerns about individual children.

CROKE PARK HOURS

The provisions of the Croke Park Public Service Agreement provides for an additional 36 hours per school year per teacher at primary level. The Board of Management of Drom National School designates the use of the 36 hours to provide additional time to deal with the following items: school planning, professional development, staff meetings and pre-school supervision.

TEAM HOPE CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL (SEE POSTER)

Once again, the school is taking part in the Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal. Leaflets will be distributed to all children in the coming weeks. Please ensure that boxes are returned to the school before Friday 8th November.

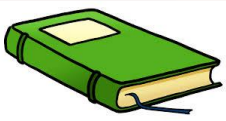
PRIMARY LANGUAGE CURRICULUM - A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!

The school has received notice of in-service training for staff in the Primary Language Curriculum on Wednesday, 8th January 2020. As a result the school will be closed on that day.

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SUMMER READING STARS!



**Champion Jockey!
Well done!**



HANDY TIPS!

- The school asks students to bring a healthy lunch to school. Please see the school's Healthy Eating policy on www.dromns.com or request a copy from the school office by ringing (0504) 51688 during office hours. **Popcorn, fruit winders, chocolate spread sandwiches and snack items with a high sugar content e.g. chocolate covered cereal bars etc. are permitted on Fridays only.**
- As we approach winter, we would ask that all students bring a coat to school. With our unpredictable weather, we must prepare for all eventualities. It may also be useful for students to bring a packet of tissues to school if they have a cold. Antibacterial gel is available for use in each classroom.
- In order to ensure the safety of the children, please leave a space for the bus to park outside the school bus gate. We would ask that children are collected at the school gate.
- We would ask parents / guardians of children with extra care needs regarding the toilet to provide them with a small bag containing a change of clothing (Similar in colour to the school uniform) including underwear and socks. This will be stored in the classroom and can be accessed by the child in case of an accident. In this way, the child is comfortable in their own clothing.
- The school will open to receive pupils at 9.20a.m. and close at 3.00p.m. Children are supervised in the school grounds between 9.10a.m. and 9.20a.m. **THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT ACCEPTS NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR PUPILS BEFORE 9.10A.M. AND ENTRY TO THE SCHOOL GROUNDS PRIOR TO THIS TIME IS STRICTLY FORBIDDEN**

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