OCTOBER Newsletter

CLONMONEY N.S.

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Welcome to our New Pupils & Infant Class:

We're delighted to welcome our 24 new Junior Infants, who have settled in wonderfully over the past few weeks. They've made a fantastic start, and we hope they are enjoying their first steps in school life here at Clonmoney NS. A very warm welcome also to Myles in 2nd Class and Maisie 3rd Class, who joined us in September. We're so pleased you are now part of our school community and wish you every success and happiness at Clonmoney NS.



We are delighted that our hot meals scheme is now up and running, thanks to our local supplier, Obair. A big thank you to parents for submitting your child's meal choices each week through Google Forms – your cooperation helps everything run smoothly. As part of our current procedures, containers and any leftover food are returned home in each child's lunchbox, giving parents the opportunity to see what their child has eaten during the day. Please note that meals are intended to be eaten at school; any food not consumed at that time must be disposed of.

If you have any queries about the service or suggestions for improvement, please don't hesitate to get in touch.



JUNIOR INFANTS CLASS 2025-26







P.A. - Halloween Disco
 Wed. 22nd Oct. - Inn at Dromoland

COMING EVENTS:

• Trunk or Treat
Thur. 23rd Oct.

- Presidential Election- closure
 Friday, 24th October.
- Halloween Mid-Term:
 Mon. 27th -31st Oct. inclusive
- Staff Training School Closure
 Tue. 18th Nov (Child Protection)
- Christmas Holidays:
 School closes at 12:00 on Fri
 19th Dec & reopens Mon. 5th Jan. '26





Pupil & Extra Curricular News

Admissions & Enrolments 26/27

Applications for admission to Junior Infants 2026/27 will open on 1st of October. Full details of our Admissions Policy and the application process will be available on the <u>school website</u> and from the office. Siblings of current pupils will receive priority for places. If you have a child due to start school next year, please contact us with his/her details.

New School Uniform - Policy here

Thank you to all parents for your cooperation and support with the introduction of our new school uniform. The pupils seem very happy with both its comfort and style, which is wonderful to see. As we move into the colder months, please remember that only navy tracksuit bottoms are permitted as part of the uniform — leggings are not allowed. Uniforms can be purchased from <u>TCM Schoolwear</u> or Boru Sports.

Building Project Update

Work on our ongoing building project is progressing well. Planning permission was granted by Clare County Council in early August. Our appointed Design Team is currently working on the Fire and Disability Access certificates. Once these are completed, updated costings and design plans will be submitted to the Department for approval.

Our target is to complete the tendering process and appoint a building contractor for this project by next summer. We will soon be sharing 3D drawings of the extension, giving a clear view of how our school will look once the project is completed. The design and drawings can also be viewed on our school website here: https://clonmoneyns.com/parentinfo/

Assembly Awards - September

Well done to all the boys and girls who received awards at our September Assembly. Well done to Harper Quinn, Tadhq McCormack, Max Hannon, Anna Dorgan (Juniors) Poppy Ryan, Ruadh Hayes, Noah Collins, Lacey Malone (Seniors); Taashi Gajjar, Andy O'Leary, Caoilinn McCarthy, Rian Quinn (1st); Abigail O'Shea, Ezra Townsend, Harry Collins, Natasha Chokshi (2nd), Emer McDonagh, Rhys Lenane (3rd), Robyn Quinn, Casey Frawley (4th), Oscar Price, Farrah Linnane (5th), Aoife Jones & Harry Meehan (6th). These awards celebrate effort, kindness, and positive behaviour across the school. We look forward to recognising more achievements as the year continues. We also discussed and reviewed our internet-enabled devices agreement and the avoidance of social media usage or any group chats online that exclude some pupils in our senior classes. We are grateful for continued parental support for this initiative.

Student Council

Congratulations to these pupils who were democratically elected by their fellow classmates to serve on our Student Council 2025/26 - Fia McCarthy, Cooper Ryan, Mason Gilligan, Mia Farrelly, Amy Kelliher, Grayson Tuohy, Fiadh Liston, Tom McHugh, Aoife Jones & Harry Meehan.

Other Upcoming Events 25/26

- School Closure Staff Training Wed. 4th Feb. 26 - New Curr.
- February Mid-Term: Thur. 19th & Fri. 20th Feb. 2026
- St Patrick's Public Holiday Weekend: Mon. & Tues 16th & 17th March '26
- First Reconciliation (2nd Class)
 Tue. 24th March @ 7pm in Wells
- Easter Holidays: Mon 30th March – Fri 10th April '26
- First Holy Communion (2nd Class) Sat. 25th April '26 in Wells @11
- School Closure Staff Training
 Wed. 6th May 26 New Curr.
- Confirmation Day (6th Class)
 Fri. 22nd May @ 11 in NOF
- Summer Holidays Wed. 24th June 2026 @ 12:00

Non Uniform Day Fundraiser

Many thanks to all the pupils and families who supported our non-uniform day fundraiser on Friday, 26th September.

Together we raised €349.30, which will go towards the costs of the upcoming Halloween events organised by our Parents' Association.

Contact Info

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Sports Update:

Well done to all our fantastic athletes who took part in the Cross Country competition held in Lees Rd, Ennis on September 24th. Congratulations to Jamie Hartnett & Fiadh McCarthy who will compete in the county finals, held after the mid-term.

Our boys & girls football teams will start their matches in the coming week of the Cumann na mBunscol competitions. The girls will play Clonlara & Kilkishen, with the boys facing Quin, Cratloe, Ballyea & Clarecastle schools. Best of luck to both panels of players.

<u>Equipment Order:</u> A reminder also to all families to place their oders for hurleys, helmets or other GAA gear by Friday 3rd of October. Full catalogue & order form is on our **website here**











