



Weekly Update

Dear school community

We hope you are all enjoying this spell of gorgeous weather we are having! It has been lovely to see maths, science, drama, art... all subjects taking place outdoors since we came back. Please remember to apply sun-cream and to provide hats during this term. Thank you.

Staffing Update

We are delighted to welcome Sarah Kisch and Laura Condren to our teaching team this month. Sarah will be with us each Wednesday as part of our support teaching team until the end of the year, and Laura will be teaching in Adele's 3rd Class until the end of the month.

Classroom News

Paul's 6th Class (Green) and Jen's 2nd Class (Blue) have smoothly settled into their new classrooms after last week's moves. A huge *thank you and well done* to all the pupils and staff involved in completing these moves so seamlessly and easily.

"The students demonstrated exceptional teamwork and maturity throughout the process, which included moving all the furniture, showcasing qualities that indicate they are well-prepared for the transition to secondary school. Well done class!" Paul, 6th class teacher

Denise and Maeve's 1st class (Blue) have been learning about clothes from way back and made figures, gluing on material to match different decades.

The Artist in Residence programme will continue with 6th class this week. We will have a full update on this with pictures in our next full newsletter.

Standardised Testing

Standardised testing will begin next week for our 1st classes.


All classes from 1st – 6th class will then complete their testing over the following week, 19th May. As we timetable tests for the morning, we would ask that an extra special effort is made to have all children in on time and ready to begin on those daysmk. If you are aware of an unavoidable reason for your child being late or absent that week, please can you let us know? Thank you.


Sports Updates


Sports Days Provisional dates: Senior Sports Day will take place on Thursday, 12th June off-site at Wicklow Rugby Grounds. If you are able to volunteer to help on this day, please email us at info@wicklowetns.com with Senior Sports' Day volunteer in the subject line.


Junior Sports Day (J1 – 2nd classes) on Friday, 13th June at the school.


Both dates are dependent on the weather, with decisions being made closer to the time to cancel if necessary.

 Bike to School Day – Tuesday, 17th June is our provisional day for this event, again weather permitting. More information to follow.

 **Athletics:** A group of children from 3rd – 6th classes were successful in the trials for the annual Wicklow Schools' Track and Field event. We wish them all the very best as they head to represent the school next Thursday in Enniscorthy.

 **Rounders:** 1st Class (Blue) say they're totally thrilled because they may get to play rounders against another first class *from a different school* in the inter-schools competition! They've been practising super hard and even won against sixth class – well done first class!

 **Skip Around Europe Challenge** We've seen great participation across the school as classes have taken advantage of the good weather and gone outside to skip. Most classes have completed their challenges and some even made it to their destination and back! 1st class (Blue) are aiming for Venice and have over 1500 skips already!

 **GAA** Jack from the local GAA club continues to teach GAA skills to our 2nd and 6th classes this term on Fridays.

SCHOOL TOURS

School Tours – All school tours are booked. Thank you to all who have already paid for their tours. We would ask that any outstanding tour payments are paid in full by Friday 30th May.

6th Class – Graduation Event Reminders

Yearbook JI Photo: Thank you to all for sending in a digital photo of your child from Junior Infants. If you haven't done so, please can you email it to info@wicklowetns.com ASAP.


Graduation Contribution Payment – if you haven't already done so, please can you pay the contribution towards the graduation events by Monday, 9th June. Thank you.


REMINDER – PTA QUIZ NIGHT!


Wednesday, 14th May at 7:30pm, Wicklow Golf Club

Don't miss out on a fun evening at our PTA Quiz Night!


This is your final chance to sign up – tables are filling up fast and space is limited.

 **When:** Wednesday, 14th May at 7:30pm

 **Teams:** Table of 4

 **Cost:** €10 per person

 **To Sign Up:** Email pta@wicklowetns.com today!

 **Please note:** You **must sign up in advance** to take part – we won't be able to accommodate walk-ins on the night due to limited space.

Get your team together and test your trivia skills – it's always a great night for a great cause!

! FUTURE DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES !

Monday 2nd June – Bank Holiday – School Closed

Tuesday 3rd – Friday 6th June – Mid-term break. School Closed

Monday 9th June – Half-Day closure for *Bí Cineálta* staff training

Tues, 24th June – 6th Class Graduation (evening)

Thurs, 26th June – Early school closure for end of year