

Carrigeen NS

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October 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians,

It's been a very busy and positive start to the new school year and we are all settled back into our daily routines.

Next week our school will have a whole-school evaluation. These routine inspections typically occur every ten years with the last one carried out in 2013. The WSE will involve two inspectors from the Dept. of Education spending a day or two in our school, evaluating teaching and learning, management and leadership, wellbeing and school self-evaluation. They will meet with staff, children, parents and the Board of Management. They will affirm good practice and make recommendations (where appropriate) to further the development of education provision in the school.

We are invested and committed to the education and wellbeing of all children in the school and have no doubt that this will be recognised and affirmed next week.

Le gach dea mhéin,
Sinead Murphy.

School Website:

Our school website is www.carrigeenns.com. It is updated regularly and is a source of school information.

You will find important policies such as:

- ❖ Code of Positive Behaviour
- ❖ Child Protection
- ❖ Anti-Bullying
- ❖ Admissions/Enrolment
- ❖ Relationships and Sexuality Education (RSE)
- ❖ Uniform
- ❖ Healthy Eating

Activity Bundle 2023-2024

An Activity Bundle payment request for the 2023/24 school year will be issued shortly for the extra classes that the children love throughout the school year - ukulele lessons, Irish dancing, yoga, gymnastics, arts & crafts, drumming to name but a few. We look forward to supporting the holistic development and talents of all our pupils.

Maths Week

Next week is Maths Week and we will be placing a special focus on maths and inquiry based learning.

You might hear your child speaking about some of the things we are doing in school or they may have maths related tasks for homework.



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County Champions

Congratulations to our school boys hurling team (Scoil Mhuire & Carrigeen NS) who won the U11B Cumann na mBunscol League. It was a hard fought victory with the boys winning by a point! Sincere thanks to both Mr Duggan and Mr Tennyson for looking after and preparing the team.



Parent teacher meetings for all pupils (except Multiclass) will be held on **22nd and 23rd November. School will finish at 2.30pm on both these days** to

facilitate a prompt start to meetings. These meetings will be in the school classrooms but if you wish to opt for a phone call please let the class teacher know. You will receive a message on our Aladdin Connect school app in the coming weeks inviting you to book your slot. **Please arrive at your appointed slot on the day.**

Parents' Association

Our parents' association is integral to the success of the school. All parents and guardians of children attending Carrigeen NS are part of the Parents' Association. Within the association we have a voluntary committee that plays an important role in supporting the partnership between the school and parents. Their time is almost at an end and we will be electing a new committee at our upcoming AGM in November (date to be confirmed). The purpose of the AGM is to inform parents of the work/activities undertaken by the committee over the past year and to account for monies spent and received.

Gaelic Football

Our Girls and Boys Football teams are taking part in Cumann na mBunscol leagues. The boys have played two matches against Piltown and Muckalee in the Country Cup. They won one game and lost the other. The girls have played three matches against Owing, Mullinavat and Slieverue and it is great to see both the girls and boys play a new sport with their friends and it may be a new experience for some! They are all doing the school very proud and we thank Ms. P Phelan, Ms. S Walsh and Mr Duggan for all of their hard work and being so generous with their time. Lunchtime football league is underway from 4th to 6th class and it's giving the boys and girls a great opportunity to practice their skills.

School Committees

Elections have taken place for our school committees 2023-2024 and our new committees are now formed. We look forward to working with the pupils during the school year and supporting them to carry out their roles and responsibilities.

Anti-Bullying Week will take place from 14th-18th November. During this week, our teachers will focus on delivering lessons on anti-bullying. This is an extremely important week as this awareness campaign serves to remind everyone about the procedures we have in place to help prevent bullying and to deal with any cases of bullying. I would encourage you to talk to your child about bullying at home. Here is a link to the parents page of webwise with excellent advice to prevent online bullying. www.webwise.ie/category/parents/advice/

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