

Scoil Náisiúnta Pádraig Naofa Courtnacuddy

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Halloween Newsletter

Margot's Retirement

Congratulations to our school secretary Margot Quigley on her retirement. We will miss her greatly. Thank you all for your presence at Margot's retirement mass and for your most generous contributions towards Margot's Retirement gift. She is very grateful. Thank you also to the Parents' Association for providing refreshments in the school after Margot's mass.

Welcome to Nicola

I would like to extend a warm welcome to our new secretary; Nicola Wildes. I hope that Nicola will be very happy in Courtnacuddy National School.

Contact Details

Please email the school on courtnacuddyns@gmail.com if your contact details (email address or phone no.) change for any reason.

Dress Up Day for Halloween

The children may dress up in their Halloween Costumes on Friday 28th October. Please remember that children will be playing outside at break times (weather permitting), so costumes need to be safe to move around in. Also, children need to be able to use the bathroom and to sit down in their costume. A few small Halloween treats are permitted in the lunchboxes on Friday. In line with the school's healthy eating policy, fizzy drinks are not permitted at any time.

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Halloween Party / Disco

The Parents' Association are hosting a Halloween Party / Disco on Friday 28 October in Courtnacuddy Hall from 5:30 to 6:30pm. All proceeds will go towards the school. Admission is €2 per child. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Christmas Shoe Box Appeal

Your child recently received a leaflet in relation to the Christmas Shoebox Appeal. We have been advised that Shoeboxes are to be returned to the school by Tuesday 8th November. We thank you for your ongoing support of this charity. More information on the Shoebox Appeal can be found by clicking on the below link.

<https://www.teamhope.ie/christmas-shoebox-appeal/>

Sing Out Loud

Preparations are well underway for the Sing Out Loud Performance in the National Opera House on Sunday 20 November at 2pm. Third to Sixth class will participate in this performance. Parents have already booked and paid for their tickets. These will be distributed after midterm. Additional tickets can be purchased from the National Opera House from Tuesday 1st November. You can phone (053) 9122144 or book online at www.nationaloperahouse.ie.

Scarecrow Festival

Courtnacuddy Development Group are organising a Scarecrow Festival for the coming weekend. Please check out their Facebook page for more information.

Parent Teacher Meetings

The Parent Teacher Meetings will be held on Thursday and Friday, 1st / 2nd December in the school. More information on appointment times will follow after the midterm break.

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Rackard League

Well done to the boys and girls Rackard League football teams who represented the school and parish with pride. The boys played in the District Final of the competition and the girls reached the District semi-final.

New School Jerseys

The Parents' Association have secured funding to purchase a new set of school jerseys. We are grateful to Davidstown Courtnacuddy Coiste na n-Óg, Councillor John 'O Rourke and TD John Browne for supporting this venture. The Active Flag Committee are currently selecting a design. We hope to have these jerseys for the Rackard league handball, hurling and camogie competitions which will take place after Christmas.

Christmas Concert

The School Christmas Concert will take place on Tuesday 20 December in Courtnacuddy Hall. Rehearsals will begin in November.

No Homework

There will be no homework on Thursday 27 October. This is to celebrate Margot's Retirement and to acknowledge the excellent behaviour of the children during Margot's Retirement Mass.

Happy Halloween

On behalf of all the staff I would like to wish you and your family a happy and safe Halloween. School will reopen on Monday 7th November at 9:20am.

Kind regards,

Jean Goff