

Nuachtlitr Scoil Bhríde

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Nóta ón bPríomhoide

A thuistí,

We are all so happy to be back in Menlo and enjoying the natural beauty all around our school. We are very fortunate to have a beautifully re-decorated school building with really cool new state of the art classroom smart boards, but more than anything we see how happy the children are to be back together and out enjoying time together, playing, gardening and having fun.

Please continue to follow public health guidelines, avoid parties and large gatherings. Remember you must keep your child at home if they are unwell and someone should be available to collect your child during the school day in case they become unwell. We are very grateful to parents who are sticking carefully to the guidelines and erring on the side of caution if they have any doubts.

Standardised tests are currently being administered in the senior classes and we are especially mindful that all of our children have missed out on a good deal of in-person learning. Please remember, and remind your child if they are anxious, that every school-going child in Ireland and in most parts of the world has had their learning affected by Covid. All of their teachers are proud of them for trying their very best. Our sixth class children who are moving on to second level have been reassured that all sixth class children in Galway are in the same boat as them. We look forward to getting the tests out of the way so we can get back to focusing on making the best use of our time in school for learning and having fun with our friends.

Ár gcomhghairdeas ó chroí le Máire agus a teaghlach ar theacht slán sábháilte leanbh Fiadh.



And finally, our warmest congratulations to Príomhoide Máire and family on the recent birth of baby daughter Fiadh. Máire will be on leave until the new academic year. School correspondence can now be directed to priomhoide@scoilbhríde1862.ie.

Le meas,
Siobhán
Acting Principal

Dataí le teacht/ Upcoming Dates

Lá Saoire Banc/June Bank Holiday

School closed Mon June 7th

Grianstad an tsamhraidh/Summer Solstice

21/06/2021

Laethanta Saoire/Summer Holi- days

29/06/2021 Leath lá/Half
Day

Bolgán Spreaoi/Play Bubble

30/06-3/07/21 9am-2pm



[Ceisteanna/Questions](#)

[Click here](#)

Afterschool/ 1.30-2.30pm

We are continuing to provide an afterschool service to cater for infant children who finish at 1.30/1.40 until 2.30/2.40. There is a €5 fee per day, or €20 for a full week. If you would like to avail of this for your Nai.Bheaga or Nai.Mhóra child please call Susan to let her know.

We expect to resume a full afterschool service up until 5.30pm at the beginning of the next school year. We also hope to resume the Club na Maidine catering for children from 7.50am in September. We will provide more details as that time approaches.

Míolta Gruaige/Head Lice

Long hair must be tied up, ideally in a bun or a plait. This rule is not gender specific as the little visitors don't stop to ask if the hair belongs to a boy or a girl. Please help us keep head lice from spreading in school and ensure your child's hair is up at all times.

SPHE - RSE

RSE or Relationships and Sexuality Education is an integral part of the S.P.H.E programme. The sensitive elements of the Relationships and Sexuality education programme are covered under the Strand Units, 'Growing and Changing' and 'Taking Care of my Body'. We will be completing these Strand Units with all class levels in the forthcoming weeks. Please click on this link to the [Tips for Parents page](#). If you have any questions or concerns please make an appointment to see the class teacher by calling Susan on 091 762323 or emailing her at runai@scoilbhríde1862.ie.

This link is for a HSE booklet "[Making the Big Talk, Many Small Talks](#)" which provides you with suggested topics you might like to discuss with your child at particular ages. For 8-12 year olds - [Making the Big Talk, Many Small Talks](#)


Bolgán Spreaioi/Play Bubble

We have had a large number of children sign up to attend our 4 day Play Bubble at the end of the school year. Some of our teachers are already busy planning 4 fabulous days for the children to have fun, unwind and just enjoy being together. We are not accepting any further registration forms at this time.

Lá Spreaioi / Fun Day

Tá muid ag iarraidh lá spreaioi a bheith againn i mbliana. This year we hope to have our Lá Spreaioi again. We have planned a socially distant day on the pitch, the playground and in the classrooms. This day is weather dependent and we will schedule it in June in line with a good weather forecast. Parents will not be permitted to attend our Lá Spreaioi, however we will take loads of photos and videos to share with you.

Sun Cream/Rain Gear

On sunnier days please make sure your child has sun cream applied before coming to school and a sun hat if possible. Our teachers are taking every possible opportunity to bring the children out for walks, gardening and extra playtime, regardless of the weather, so please make sure your child is prepared for the forecasted weather, rain or shine. 

Ceachtanna Gaeilge/Irish Language Lessons

Teachtaireacht ón gcoiste An Bruach Thoir/A message from An Bruach Thoir: *The local language planning committee, An Bruach Thoir, is currently organising free Irish language classes. This Government-funded initiative is part of the effort to extend the use of Irish in Menlo and the surrounding area. It may, of course, be of interest to the parents of children attending Scoil Bhríde. Classes will be offered at differing levels of ability if the numbers justify it. If you are interested please email anbruachthoir@gmail.com.*