



## Newsletter May 2025

### Monthly Roundup

May brings the summer sun and we have certainly been very fortunate in this regard. **School tours** are underway, **Active Week** is on the horizon and competitions such as **METNS' got talent** and our inaugural **Student Council Chess Competition** commence in June. There is a lot to look forward to. **Congratulations** to some of our 2nd class pupils who make their **First Communion** on May 30th and to our pupils who competed in the **Celbridge Athletic Club** events on May 29th. Well done on representing the school so well.



### Upcoming Events and Important Dates

🌐 If your family are **relocating** over the Summer Holidays, please contact Hilary in the office to let her know, as we have a waitlist for all class levels.

#### June 2025

📅 **June 2nd & 3rd** June Bank Holiday-School Closures.

🗣️ **School Tours** will continue throughout June. Payments can be made via Aladdin. If you are having difficulty making payment, please reach out to the principal directly in the strictest of confidence.

☕ **Coffee morning** for parents/guardians @8:30am- June 11th. School Hall.

♟️ **Student Council Chess Competition-** June 13th and visit from **Minister Thomas Byrne** (6th classes)

🏃‍♂️ **Active Week-** June 16th-20th

🎤 **METNS' Got Talent-** June 23rd

🎓 **6th Class Graduation-June 24th @ 7:30pm and 6th Class Final Day Farewell June 25th (11:30am)**

🌞 **Summer Holidays-** June 27th (Half Day)

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## Documents



**SCHOOL CALENDAR 25-26 METNS**

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**Pupil Expenses 2025 2026**

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## School News

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### Incoming Junior Infants 2025-2026

Event Information

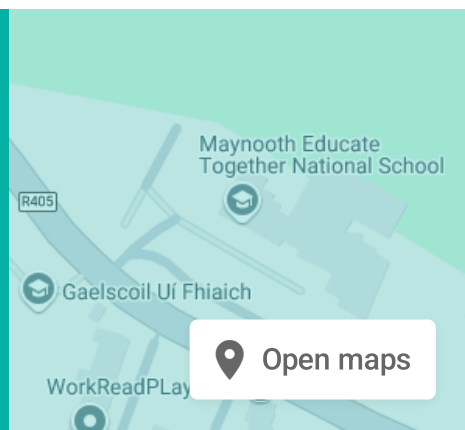
**Incoming Junior Infants pupils- Meet and Greet**

When?

**Thursday 29 May 2025, 01:30 p.m.**

Where?

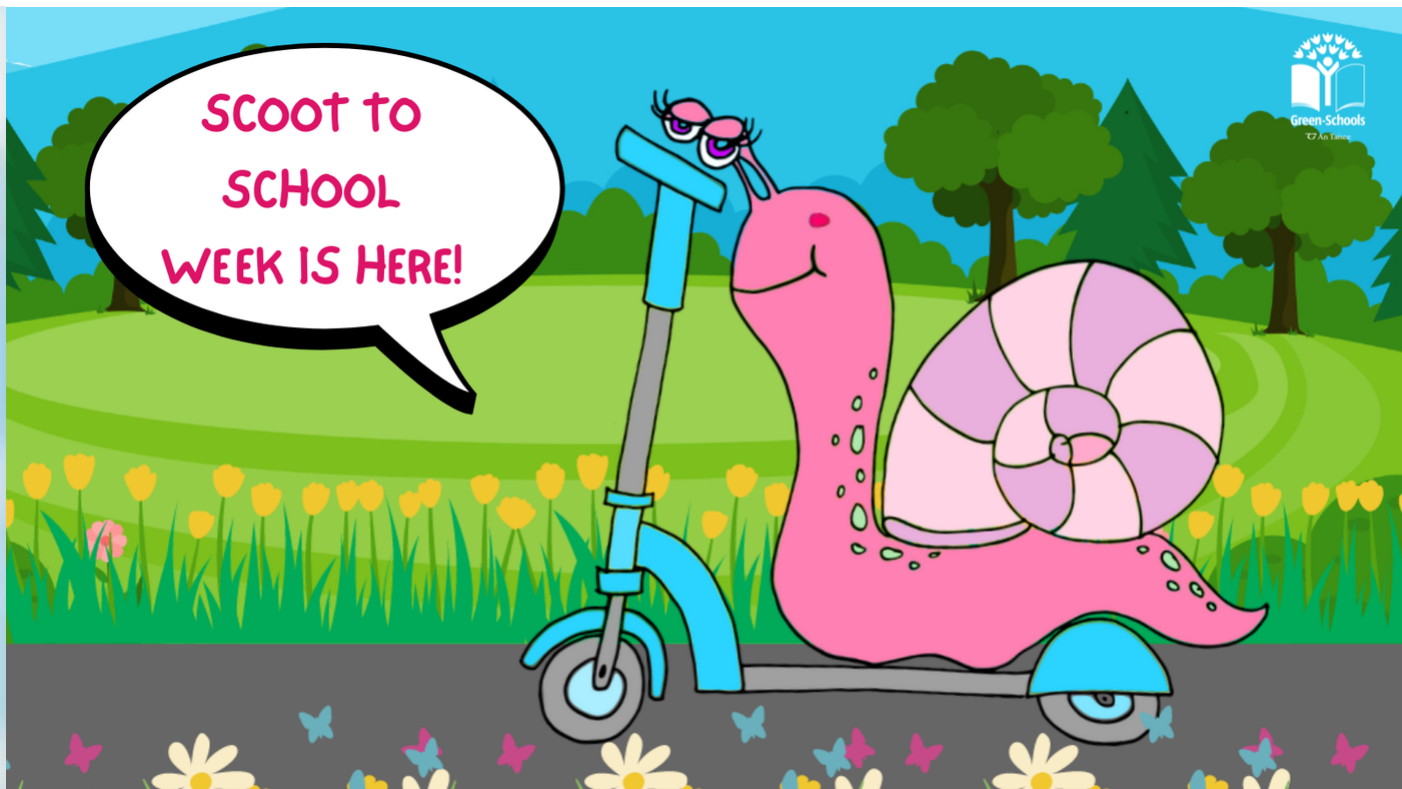
**Maynooth Educate Together National School, Railpark,  
County Kildare, Ireland**



Our incoming junior infants 2025-2026, will arrive to take a sneak peek at our classrooms, meet our staff and play with their new friends. We can't wait to meet all our new pupils and give them a warm METNS welcome.

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## Scoot To School Week

Scoot to school week takes place from 9th-13th of June. We are asking children to make an effort to scoot to school on Wednesday 11th June. It's a fun and sustainable way to travel.

## Bí Cinéalta (Be Kind)

### Policy Development

Bądź miły, كن لطيفاً, Sé amable, Будьте добри, Fii amabil, Budi Ijubazan, Seja gentil, ദയവു കാണിക്കുക, दयालु बनो, BE KIND!

Thank you to our parents/guardians, staff, Board of Management and wider community who contributed to our Bí Cinéalta policy development. We have listened to your experiences, opinions and ideas and we are committed to tackling bullying in our school. We also need your support to do this.

Our new policy will come into use in the school year 2025/2026.

Please find our **user friendly child friendly edition** linked below to help explain what constitutes bullying, what will happen if pupils engage in bullying behaviour or experience bullying behaviour and how we work together to restore relationships and harmony. This is the goal for us all.

It would be helpful to familiarise yourself with the attached and discuss the policy with your children too.



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## School Reports

School Reports will be released to parents/guardians in mid June. If you have any concerns, require some further feedback on the reports or your child's progress, please reach out to speak with the class teacher. You can make an appointment via the school office.

Please also remember that the standardised test results are only one measure of how your child is progressing. Informal assessments, observations, checklists and teacher feedback are equally if not more important.

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## Class News

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### Junior Infants- Noreen and Sinéad's Class

This month, **Noreen and Sinéad's Junior Infants** spent more time outdoors...eating our lunch outside, learning in our outdoor classroom, planting French beans in the garden, finding the May bush/hawthorn and elderflower around our school, and going on a nature walk in our local area!







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### Senior Infants-Aoibhín's Class

We've enjoyed the sun as much as possible over the last few weeks. We spent a lot of time eating our snack and lunch outside in our outdoor classroom.

We enjoyed watering and feeding our aqua dragons out in the garden. We also went on a summer walk outside the school grounds to have a look for signs of summer. It's been great to be outdoors so much!



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### 1st Class -Clare and Steph's Class



First Class (Cherry)- Clare and Steph's Class have been celebrating all things 'Summer' in May. We took advantage of the good weather with lots of outdoor learning, picnics and an ice cream party! We have been learning all about camping and the great outdoors. We created beautiful pictures of the horizon and we have made a list of all the things we enjoy during Summer. We have also been learning the rules of hockey and recently played our first, class matches. Some very competitive players!



## 5th Class-Sinéad Sullivan's and Olivia's Classes

We are very busy running an in-class chess tournament to select our 4 representatives for the upcoming school chess competition. The concentration was amazing and the competition is fierce.

We really enjoyed creating and painting our clay pots this month.

Finally we are beginning to think of our lovely summer holidays ahead .Our art along with Olivia's class, reflects all the exciting things we are anticipating this Summer.





## 6th Classes

### Sharon and Dave's 6th Classes

"Congratulations to Julia in Dave's 6th class for being awarded Most Valuable Player (MVP) by her basketball team, North Kildare Eagles for the season 2024/2025. Julia only started playing at the start of the season and has become an integral part of the team. Well done Julia!!!

Dave and Sharon's 6th classes recently went on their school to Baltinglass Outdoor Education Centre in Co. Wicklow. The boys and girls had an action-packed day which included kayaking, archery, ziplining and indoor rock climbing as well as freshly served chicken goujons and chips! A great day was had all round. Special thanks to Teacher Mary and parent Elaine for coming along and helping out. The children did their school proud!





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## Student Awards

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### Principal's Awards

Charlie O' Driscoll- Senior infants

Charlie has really been working very hard in modelling what it is to be the best he can possibly be. He has matured so much over the last few months, applying himself to his work, showing his intelligence, being kind, caring and helpful and bringing a smile to all he encounters. We are very proud of you Charlie :)

### Billy Chubb-3rd Class

Billy is a very hard-working member of the class. He puts so much effort into everything he does and his work is always up to a very high standard. Billy is also an incredibly polite and friendly boy who could have got an award for all of the school values this year.

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## Community News

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### Our Fundraiser School Lotto

**Congratulations** to our most recent weekly winners, who received €20 each.  
**Dolores Mee, Tanya Rampaul, Iga Banasik and Gayathri Marimuthu.**

You can still sign up here -[Maynooth Educate Together National School - Home - Our Fundraiser](#) to help support with the cost of school resources for our pupils.

**The Jackpot now sits at €2,500**

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### Summer Camps



**STAR CAMP**

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Contact: [www.starcamp.ie](http://www.starcamp.ie)

**21st-25th July**

Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich



**Summer Camp 2025 Flyer.pdf**

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**Summer Camp @ METNS**



Summer Camp @ METNS flyer and booking details attached above.

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## After School Clubs 2025-2026

The following clubs have been approved for 2025-2026.

\*More details to follow once available\*.

Art Club  
Lego Club  
Sports Club  
Board-Games club  
Yoga Warriors  
Saor Dance  
\*Krazy Kaboom (NEW)  
\*Kids Comp (NEW)  
\*Kildare Karate Dojo (NEW)  
\*Spanish Club (NEW)  
Stay and Play  
Lyon's Den

*All after school clubs are run independently of METNS.  
Some clubs will begin in September and others in October.*

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## PTA Summer Fair 2025

Event Information

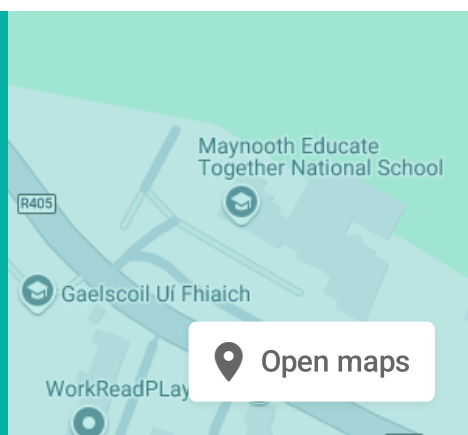
**Summer Fair @ METNS**

When?

**Sunday 8 Jun 2025, 01:00 p.m.**

Where?

**Maynooth Educate Together National School, Railpark,  
County Kildare, Ireland**





## Summer Fair

The PTA Summer Fair is fast approaching. Thank you kindly to all our families who donated raffle prizes. All families, (incoming and current) are welcome to join the fun. 1pm-3pm on June 8th.

We are looking forward to a fun-filled afternoon!

**\*Adult supervision is strictly required\*.**

**Lorraine Murray**

Principal