



June 2026



Upcoming Events

July and September 2026

Summer Programme- School Based Summer Provision will take place from 29th June -10th July 2026 inclusive. The theme for 2026 is 'Building Confidence and Connections'.

Return to School: September 1st 2026. Supervision begins at 8:20am on the school yard (school hall if the weather is wet). All new pupils (senior infants-6th class) should wait at reception with their parents/guardians.

Incoming Junior infants- please follow the staggered start timetable as provided to you in your welcome pack.

School News

Teacher and SNA Allocations

Teacher, SNA and Classroom allocations will be released to parents/guardians following finalisation of the recruitment period. We expect this to be mid-July.

Learn Together

Thank you to all who participated in our survey. Please find the summary of findings attached below. Your feedback will help to guide school improvement in this area.



LEARN TOGETHER SURVEY RESULTS

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Retirements

We wish teachers Sharon Lynch and Sinéad Sullivan all the best as they take on the next stage of their lives- retirement. Sinéad has been in METNS for 2 school years and Sharon- 1.5 years. In their short time, they have made a big impact and have made a positive contribution to the school and to the pupils they taught and supported. Sharon has been teaching for 25 years and Sinéad for 30. Their retirement is well deserved. Wishing them both health and happiness. They will be greatly missed.



Sinéad Sullivan



Sharon Lynch

Moving House/School?

Parents/Guardians, if your child is not returning to the school in 2026/2027, please contact Hilary (if you have not already done so), as soon as possible to let her know. We have a waitlist of pupils for all class levels that we are currently working through. Additionally if your address or contact details have changed, please also contact Hilary so that she can update the system- secretary@maynoothet.ie

Pupil Expenses 2026/2027

Re: School Year 2026–2027 Pupil Expenses

Each school year parents and guardians are asked to contribute to funding the cost of the consumables, registrations, licences and other school resources for our school. Our school enrolment is growing each year and our costs are consequently increasing. The amount being requested per pupil this year is €75 and we ask again for your generous support which is very much appreciated. ***Please note that the below expenses are not covered by the DEY free book scheme.***

PUPIL EXPENSES: To explain how we use your contribution, the Board of Management has broken down the amounts as follows:

- > Pupil charge payable Educate Together National Office €15
- > 24 hour Accident Insurance (medical costs only) €9
- > IT licence costs and IT support charges €21
- > Photo copying and printing and other class consumables €10
- > Sports equipment/curriculum resources/Arts and Crafts/Yoga/Storytellers/Visitors €20

PUPIL EXPENSES TOTAL €75

THIS PAYMENT HAS BEEN SET UP FOR PAYMENT ON OUR ALLADIN CONNECT.

PLEASE LOG ON TO ALADDIN CONNECT AND COMPLETE PAYMENT FOR YOUR CHILD.

this payment is (strictly speaking) voluntary, without your support it would not be possible to fund these resources and costs. You will receive a separate notification from the school about how you can now make this payment through the school website. If you do not want to make an online payment you can pay by cash or cheque. Receipts are given in every case.

Charitable Status

In June 2017, Maynooth Educate Together N.S. was granted full “Charitable Status” by the Charities Regulator. Therefore, if you want to make an additional donation to this school at any time and benefit from a tax relief on the donation please feel free to contact the school for information.

The Board of Management appreciates your continued support.

Student Awards

Our pupils continue to work hard on our school values, Learn Together themes and on their overall effort in class. See attached for our May winners across the school. Well done to all who received a certificate and to all who continue to work hard as active citizens.



Some Class News

Junior Infants

Sycamore- Noreen's Class

Junior Infants have grown and learned so much since starting school last August! This month, we were delighted to receive a personalised class storybook from **Knookbook**, kindly sponsored by **Life Credit Union**. We enjoyed spending time in the outdoor classroom, taking a trip to **Maynooth playground** with our buddies, and learning all about ladybirds in the school garden. We also had great fun during **Active Week**, especially playing with the parachute, playing dodgeball and dancing to 'Waka Waka'.



Senior Infants

Chestnut- Claire O' Connell and Sinéad Garry

Senior Infants Chestnuts and their buddies in Third Class Ivy learned how to make some elderflower tea and cordial. It was a real hit with the children and staff alike! The ingredients were sourced from our school garden. What a treat :)



1st Classes

Larch (Sue's class) and Holly (Jacinta)

The sun is setting on Jacinta & Sue's 1st classes

We have had a very busy and enjoyable few weeks throughout June. One of the highlights was our school tour to Explorium, where the children had great fun dressing up, engaging in small world play, climbing, taking part in arts and crafts activities, and exploring a range of exciting science exhibits.

We have also been taking excellent care of our sunflowers, and the children are delighted that it is now time to plant them outdoors.

Active Week was another highlight of the year, giving the children the opportunity to participate in a variety of outdoor sports, games, and activities. It was wonderful to see everyone enjoying themselves, staying active, and working together throughout the week.

As the school year comes to an end, we are sad that our time in First Class is over. It has been a fantastic year filled with learning, friendship, and many happy memories. We are very proud of all the children and the progress they have made. We wish them every success and happiness as they move on to Second Class and know they will continue to do their very best.



2nd Classes

Hawthorn-Clare/Stephanie's Class

2nd class have had a fun filled June. We had a very successful (and wet) GAA blitz in Maynooth GAA against other local schools. Both boys and girls demonstrated the skills that they have been building on throughout the year... well done to all!!

We have caught World cup fever this June. We have completed projects on the Fifa 2026 world cup, exploring the different teams, star players and learning some interesting facts about the countries.

We had an action packed school tour at Tallaght Astro Park, where we played bubble football, nerf battles, tug of war and many more games. It was so much fun.

We learned all about Water Safety with a webinar from the RNLI. We discussed the important work of the RNLI and what we can do to keep ourselves and others safe around water this Summer, and all year round.



3rd Classes

Sarah Class (Ivy) and Sinéad Sullivan's Class (Aspen)

Third class have really enjoyed all the June activities. We learned how to make elderflower tea and cordial with our buddy class from the elderflower collected in the school yard. We also worked together using this month's value "co-operation" to create and design some beautiful summer hats, completed of course with a fashion show! We really enjoyed the ice-cream and dancing for the Galebhrtach flag rising.



4th Classes

Robert's Class (Ash)

It has been a busy few months for 4th class Ash. We have been doing lots of research about the countries taking part in the World Cup and some excellent projects have been produced. We took part in lots of sporting activities during active week including a rowing session in the hall. In English we have been learning about persuasive writing and we had some classroom debates on a number of topics. The children deserve a rest after all their hard work this term.



5th Classes

Neil's Class

Neil's class have had a busy and productive month. They engaged in an exciting fabric and sewing project with Vanessa and Annie, where they learned all about fast fashion and how to reduce, reuse and recycle their old clothes. They made a beautiful foot stool too!

The children had a wonderful day on their school tour at CP adventure in Russborough House, engaging in a range of fun physical activities.

Lydia received some fantastic news in winning the Intel mini scientist quiz and the class chilled out with their junior buddies on a warm day.



6th Classes

Elm- Olivia's Class

6th Class- Olivia's class have been enjoying a very busy and exciting few weeks! They had a fantastic time on their school tour, creating wonderful memories with their classmates. As graduation approaches, the children have been busy preparing for this special milestone and celebrating their years in primary school. They also showed great determination while completing a rowing challenge on the rowing machines. In addition, the class has been getting creative by designing artwork and projects inspired by the FIFA World Cup 2026, showcasing their imagination, teamwork and global awareness. To add to the fun, the children took part in an "Anything But a Bag" day, arriving at school with their books and belongings in a variety of imaginative and inventive containers. Well done to all on their hard work and enthusiasm!



Community News and PTA

Our Fundraiser School Lotto and Bonus Prizes

Congratulations to our weekly lotto winners (€20 prize) to date, for the months of May and June 2026. Our most recent weekly winners were **Bojana Culjat, Joanna Donizak, Morgan Fraser and Dolores Mee,**

The **jackpot now sits at €2, 375** and you can still sign up here : [Maynooth Educate Together National School - Home - Our Fundraiser](#). You can also check out the fabulous outdoor STEM and play items purchased from lotto proceeds for the outdoor classroom, on the above link. Sincere thanks to the PTA for funding these.

Our most recent purchases with lotto funds include a wide range of gymnastics and PE equipment and ipads for class assessment. Thank you to all who contribute weekly and make this possible. Your generosity is much appreciated.

All winners over the summer months will be contacted in late August 2026 to arrange collection of prize money.

After School Clubs 2026-2027

Please keep a close watch on Aladdin for information regarding clubs new and returning for the school year 2026 2027.



Sunrise Morning Club

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are considering starting a Sunrise Morning Club from September, running Monday to Friday from 7:50 a.m. to 8:20 a.m in the school hall. Before making arrangements, we first would like to see if there is enough interest from families.

If you think you may be interested, please reply with your child's name, class, and the days you would likely require.

€ €5 per child, per day

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This is simply an expression of interest only and does not commit you to using the service or mean a place has been reserved for your child.

Thank you,

Lorraine Flynn & Cristina Onofreiciuc

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