



S.N. An Croí Ró Naofa

September Newsletter 2018



Welcome Back

We welcome everybody back to school for another busy, action packed year ahead. Special welcome to our new junior infant pupils, also to all new pupils throughout the school who have moved to Belclare NS this year, we wish you all the best as you settle in.

You can keep yourself informed about school events & in general by:

- Checking out the school website at www.belclarens.ie
- Following the school facebook page for Belclare National School.
- Email us at belclarens@gmail.com
- Contact us by phone in the school office at 093-55569 (Yvonne Ryan / Karen Glynn)



**IMPORTANT
NOTICE**

Note The Following

The board of management parent representatives for the school are:

Anne Marie Cafferkey & Martin O'Brien.

However if you have any queries or issues, your first port of call should be your child's teacher, who you are welcome to contact either in person or by phone via the school office.





Reminders

The Allianz pupil insurance registration will close on Monday September 10th. Anyone wishing to register their child for this insurance option, please do so before Monday, any forms received after this date, cannot be included in the school policy.

We remind you to label your child's belongings for school such as lunch boxes, uniforms, bags, jackets etc.



Important Dates for the Diary

First Holy Communion – Sunday May 26th 2019, at 10am in Belclare Church.

Confirmation – Tuesday February 19th 2019, at 12pm in Belclare Church.



Drop Off & Pickup Safety Reminder

As our carpark is very busy both in the morning and the afternoon, the safety of the children is most important. Please drive in and out of the school yard with care. At pickup time, please collect the children from the footpath beside the ramp at the front of school.



School Extra Curricular Activities



Music Lessons

Bodhran lessons take place on a Friday during school hours, with Paul. Children from 2nd class up can participate. Lessons are €3 per week, children must bring their own instrument. Lessons will commence on Friday September 14th.

General music lessons take place on a Tuesday (2nd & 3rd Classes) and Friday (4th – 6th Classes) during school hours, with Marian. Lessons are €3 per week, children must bring their own instrument. For children starting out, they can do so using their tinwhistle.

Children from 1st class upwards also have the opportunity to join the Belclare Comhaltas group, per registration forms sent out this week.



Dance classes take place on a Thursday after school with Ann. Classes are from 2-3pm for our junior classes and from 3-4pm for all other classes. Cost per class is €6 per week. Classes will resume on Thursday September 13th.



School Calendar

To remind you that the school holiday calendar is available on the school website. Also to note that as the school is used as a polling station for elections, school will close on an election day such as the upcoming presidential election on October 26th.





School Bus Service

Bus Eireann operate a bus service via Tuam to the school for any pupils who wish to travel by bus to school. Tickets can be purchased directly from Bus Eireann online. The school transport office can be contacted on 091-537530 with any queries in regard to the service.



Headlice

We ask you to please check your child's hair on a regular basis and treat as necessary as we regularly have cases of headlice in school.



Allergies

With new families to the school in mind and as a reminder to all, we have pupils in the school who have nut allergies, therefore we ask parents not to send children to school with any product containing nuts in their lunchboxes. We also have a pupil in first class who is allergic to kiwi fruit, so please bear this in mind. Should your child have an allergy, please notify the school accordingly.

