



Scoil Bhríde, Straffan Summer Newsletter

It's the Summer Holidays!



by [Mrs. Colleran](#), 28th June, 2024

The summer holidays came with a flash as the school has been a hive of activity over the last few weeks. We had an action packed month of June with school tours, Sports Week, Drumming, Karate and Drama workshops, 6th class End of year Fun day, Bernie Shinnor's Memorial Hurloige Blit, Playball, Skipathon, Crazy Hair Day, Tag Rugby, Teddy Bear Picnic and our 6th Class Graduation where we bid farewell to our 6th class graduates.

It has been a wonderful year for everyone at Straffan NS. We are super proud of our successes in the Cumann na mBunscol Football, Hurling and Camogie competition this year. We excelled in so many areas and had a lovely award ceremony last week to celebrate the cups, medals and awards, Well Done to our players who are unbelievably committed to sport and team work and also a massive thank you to our teacher Mentors who supported, trained and guided the teams to success.

I would like to wish our 6th Class who graduated this week all the best of luck in Secondary School. We hope they look back at their time in Scoil Bhríde NS with fondness and enjoyable memories. We would like to wish them every success in the future and we look forward to hearing about their great adventures over the next few years.

I would like to thank everyone for their support and kindness this year. Thank you to all our children for their hard work and fantastic efforts. Thank you, our parents, for your continued support to us here at Scoil Bhríde, Straffan. Thank you to our Parents Association who support our school in so many ways. Thank you to our dedicated hardworking teachers, SNAs, Secretary Mandy and our caretakers Peter and John, who make this school such a wonderful place of Teaching and Learning. Together we make Scoil Bhríde NS a wonderful learning community, so thank you.

This summer, we are sorry to bid farewell to Ms. Brennan, Ms. Crowe and Ms. Grant. They leave for pastures new and we wish them well in the future. We would like to thank them for all their valuable contributions to our school and thank them for their time in Straffan. We would also like to extend our sincere gratitude and all the best to our teachers who are taking Career Breaks, External Jobshare positions and maternity leave and we look forward to their return to Straffan in the near future. We would also like to congratulate Ms. Byrne and April on the recent birth of their babies and wish them well on their exciting news.

Thank you to all the parents who extended kind wishes, emails of thanks and special notes of gratitude to us as we approach the holidays. This is very much appreciated by everyone here. As we sign off for the summer and take a well earned rest, we really hope all our families have a safe and enjoyable summer everyone and let's hope the sun returns soon..

Míle buíochas,

Mrs Caroline Colleran,

Principal

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Class allocation (Teachers) 24/25

Below is the list of teachers allocated to the classes for 24/25. The BOM are currently interviewing for a number of teaching positions and these appointments will be announced later in the Summer before the return to school. At this stage, these allocations are subject to change should the need arise. All the classes visited their new classrooms today and met their teachers for next year where possible.

<i>Class</i>	<i>Teacher 24/25</i>	<i>Current class</i>
<i>JI A</i>	<i>Niamh Travers</i>	
<i>JI B</i>	<i>Niamh Gallagher</i>	
<i>SI A</i>	<i>Katie Johnson</i>	<i>(Ms. Traver's class)</i>
<i>SI B</i>	<i>To be confirmed</i>	<i>(Ms. Gallagher's class)</i>
<i>1st A</i>	<i>Sean Keane</i>	<i>(Ms. Byrne's class)</i>
<i>1st B</i>	<i>To be confirmed</i>	<i>(Ms. Johnson's class)</i>
<i>2nd A</i>	<i>Anna Marie Byrne</i>	<i>(Mr. Keane's class)</i>
<i>2nd B</i>	<i>Sinead Moore</i>	<i>(Ms. Fagan's class)</i>
<i>3rd A</i>	<i>Martha Giblin</i>	<i>(Ms. Farrelly's class)</i>
<i>3rd B</i>	<i>To be confirmed</i>	<i>(Ms. Moore's class)</i>
<i>4th A</i>	<i>Noelle Fagan</i>	<i>(Ms. Crowe's class)</i>
<i>4th B</i>	<i>Sinead Ni Ghríofa</i>	<i>(Ms. Giblin's class)</i>
<i>5th A</i>	<i>Marie Cunningham</i>	<i>(Ms. Carr's class)</i>
<i>5th B</i>	<i>Sue Brosnan</i>	<i>(Ms. Ryan's class)</i>

6 th A	<i>Ailbhe Ryan</i>	<i>(Ms. Moriarty's class)</i>
6 th B	<i>Mr. McLoughlin</i>	<i>(Ms. Cunningham's class)</i>
<i>Rainbow Room</i>	<i>Ms. Gibbons</i>	
<i>Special Education Team</i>	<i>Ms. McAuliffe</i> <i>Ms. Moran</i> <i>Ms. Mangan</i> <i>Ms. Farrelly</i>	



Whole School Evaluation Management **Leadership and Learning, Inspection** **Report, March 2024**

The Board of Management of Scoil Bhríde Straffan is absolutely delighted and proud to share the final copy of our WSE-MLL Inspection Final Report which the Department of Education has published on their website and is available for public viewing.

This excellent report is a recognition of the dedicated work of the whole school community of Scoil Bhríde and the Board welcomes its affirmations, commendations and recommendations.

We are delighted that the Inspectorate particularly acknowledged the excellent support for pupils' wellbeing and they praised the school's inclusive environment where pupil care and their wellbeing is central to learning. The Inspectorate also noted the excellent systematic approach by the school leaders in the school self evaluation and improvement plan. Our approach was very highly praised and noted as exemplary, the highest standard awarded by the inspectorate. Such high standards support the very good Quality of Teaching, Learning and Assessment across the school. Our teachers were praised for providing highly stimulating experiences in the classrooms which encourages our pupils to be highly motivated and highly engaged in their learning.

We are also pleased that the great work of our Board of Management, School Leadership Team and Parents' Association was very highly commended and acknowledged.

Everyone in our school community should be really proud of the affirmation and recognition of the caring culture and high standards that the Inspectors witnessed during the inspection.

We look forward to working together with our staff, parents, students and the Board of Management to maintain and build on these positive findings, and to work on implementing the inspectors' recommendations for the further improvement of our school.

The full report is published on the Department of Education website or alternatively it can be downloaded by clicking on the following link:

[Whole School Evaluation Report- Management, Leadership and Learning \(WSE-MLL\): Scoil Bhríde, Straffan March 2024](#)

Comhghairdeas gach duine.

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Special words for our children from Mrs. Colleran

School's Out for the Summer

The bell rings loud, school's out at last,

The school year's done, it went so fast.

Books and pencils, packed away,

Now it's time for fun and play.

The summer sun, it shines so bright,

Adventures waiting, day and night.

Nature's playground, hills and streams,

Time to chase our wildest dreams.

With laughter's song, and joy's embrace,
We'll explore each new and wondrous place.
The beach, the park, the mountain trails,
Catch the wind, and hoist the sails.

Ice cream cones, and sandy toes,
Feel the breeze as it gently blows.
Splash in puddles, climb tall trees,
Feel the freedom in the summer breeze.

Read new books under shady trees,
Watch the clouds float in the sky with ease.
Paint bright pictures, write a song,
Dance like no one's watching, all day long.

Friends will gather, games we'll play,
Chasing worries far away.
Make new memories, hold them tight,
Underneath the stars at night.

Remember, children, as you grow,
Let your inner light always glow.
School's out, but learning's never done,
In the world, there's always fun.

So take this time, and make it bright,
Fill each day with pure delight.
For when the summer fades away,
New adventures will come our way.

But for now, enjoy the days,
In the sunshine's golden rays.
School's out, and oh, what cheer,
The best time of the year is here!

Have a great

