



Scoil Naomh Lorcán O'Tuathail

(St. Laurence O'Toole's National School)

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March 20th 2024

Our TOCHAR Values
We aim High

Teamwork,
Championing **O**thers,
Cinéaltas (Kindness),
Honour,
Eng**A**gement in learning
Resilience.

Dear parents/guardians,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents and families for their support of the school over the past two terms. It's hard to believe that we are already at the Easter break! I hope that all families have a happy Easter and get some time to relax together.

A special thank you to our fabulous secretary Chris who works tirelessly every day in the office. On the snow day, in particular, Chris' knowledge of every single parent, grandparent and family relative who came to collect children early meant that we had a smooth transition of children leaving the building. It was no easy feat and Chris was amazing! Thank you Chris, from all of us, for all your hard work and commitment to the school.

Please note that school will close at **12.30pm on Friday 22nd March** for the

Easter holidays and will reopen on **Monday 8th April.**

All children and staff will be receiving Easter treats this week courtesy of the wife of the late Paddy Molonoy. The school was gifted money to spend on "an Easter party" as a thank you to us all for holding a Guard of Honour as the funeral cortege passed for Paddy Molonoy, from The Chieftains. A great man and as a school we appreciate the gesture from his family.

Thank you Roundwood Timber Ltd

Roundwood Timber have been in contact with the school and written a letter of commendation to our 5th and 6th class pupils for their work towards the Cumann na mBunscol Awards. As a gesture of goodwill, the company has gifted both classes a trip to Croke Park! This is an extremely generous gift and our pupils are delighted! I would like to take this opportunity to thank Noel, Denis, Conor and Tom from Roundwood Timber Ltd for this wonderful gift to our pupils. Such recognition for their hard work is appreciated.

School Tours 2024

Our school tours for this year have been booked. A link will be sent out via Aladdin for permissions and payment when we return to school after the Easter Break.

Infants - Kia Ora Farm

1st/2nd - Woodfield House
3rd/4th - Chocolate Garden
5th/6th - Hidden Valley

Transition to Secondary School

Parents of 5th and 6th class pupils might be interested in the following Zoom session which discusses the transition from primary to secondary school and the issues around this transition.

<https://www.clareed.ie/cpd-courses-2/primary-courses/3154-from-endings-to-beginnings-helping-your-child-to-transition-from-primary-to-secondary-school-p-p-parents.html>

Caretaker Wanted

We are currently recruiting for a new caretaker in the school. This is a part-time position of 15 hours per week with some degree of flexibility with times worked. If you are interested or know of anyone, please contact the school office at roundwoodns@gmail.com or phone 01-288399 for more information.

After Schools Club - Choir

Ms Healy will be running an after school choir for children from 1st-6th class beginning after the Easter break. The choir will give children an opportunity to come together to sing a variety of different genres of music and have fun! Please contact Ms Healy on singaloud24@gmail.com for more details.

After Schools Club - Arts and Crafts

Ms. Farrell and Ms. O'Byrne are interested in setting up an Arts and Crafts Club for 3rd to 6th class pupils. Price will be confirmed based on interest level. Please

register your interest via email to muireann.farrell@roundwoodns.ie by Wednesday the 10th of April.

Charity Busk for Cancer Support

There will be a Charity Busk Lunchtime Concert to raise funds for Roundwood Cancer Support on Saturday 6th April in the Parish Hall from 2pm to 3pm. This will be performed by Linda Ferguson and her guitarists.

All welcome, free entry and this promises to be a lovely afternoon filled with lots of music, tea and cakes!

Donation buckets will be present and all donations will go to Roundwood Cancer Support.



WEE Battery Collection

Thank you to all families who have sent in batteries - the school is filling up and we are excited to think that we may be in

with a chance of winning this competition! Keep on bringing in your old batteries!

Dates to note:

Service of Light

Monday 15th April @ 7pm

School closure Teacher Training

Monday 29th April

Sports Day (An Tochar GAA Complex)

Wednesday 19th June

Graduation for 6th class

Thursday 27th June at 11.30am

Parents Association

What's On this Week from the PA?

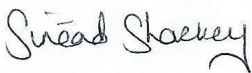
Upcoming Events

Please click on the following link or check out our website to read the Parents Association Constitution:

<https://www.roundwoodns.ie/our-school/parents-association/>

Roundwood's Parents Association is a member of the National Parent Council (NPC). The NPC offers a wide range of free parental webinars that can be watched at any time. See the link <https://www.npc.ie/> or phone **01 887 4477** for additional information.

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Sinéad Sharkey
Principal

SCHOOL NOTES

Designated Liaison Person (DLP)

If you have any concerns of a Child Protection nature, Ms Sinéad Sharkey is the Designated Liaison Person (DLP) in the school. Any concerns can be brought directly to Ms Sharkey. If Ms Sharkey is not available, Ms Kim Kelly is the Deputy Designated Liaison Person (DDLDP) and will deal with any issues in the absence of Ms Sharkey.

Please note that our Child Safeguarding Statement and Risk Assessment can be viewed on our website www.roundwoodns.ie

Communication with the School

If you have any concerns or queries in relation to your child or the school, please contact your child's teacher in the first instance. Teachers can be contacted via the Contact page on our website or alternatively, you can contact the school office directly to make an appointment to speak with the teacher. Please see our Communication with the School Policy on our website www.roundwoodns.ie.

If you are trying to contact the Board of Management on an issue, please send a letter addressed to the Chairperson of the BOM at the school address or, an email to chairpersonbom@roundwoodns.ie.

Please note that the Parental Complaints Procedure is to be used in the first instance for any issues relating to teachers. Emails will be checked prior to Board of Management meetings throughout the year.

School Policies

For copies of any of our school policies, please refer to our website. All policies can be downloaded from the website. If you require a hard copy, please contact the office directly and we will provide you with one.

Road Safety outside School

Staff have been requested not to park on the Lough Dan Road as cars cover the safety signage on the road. Can all parents please not park on the road either as it is unsafe to cover the road markings. Dropping children off and collecting from this area and the area adjacent to the staff car park is also dangerous and we would ask parents to park safely in the village or Roundwood Inn.



The poster is for an Easter Craft & Sewing Camp. It features a collage of craft supplies like scissors, thread, and fabric on the left. The title 'Easter' is in large, stylized letters with a flower icon. Below it, 'CRAFT & SEWING CAMP' is written. A photo shows a child sewing. The text on the right provides details about the 4-day camp, dates, location, time, cost, and contact information.

Easter
CRAFT & SEWING CAMP

4 DAY CAMP
Tuesday 2nd -
Friday 5th April
ROUNDWOOD NS
10 am - 2pm
€110 for 4 days
or €30 per day

ALL MATERIALS PROVIDED
NO SEWING
EXPERIENCE NECESSARY
Email: kraftworxclasses@gmail.com
OR Book Online at
WWW.KRAFTWORX.IE
FUN FOR KIDS AGED 4+