

NEWSLETTER

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Best Class Attendance for September! Attendance Matters

'Every School Day Counts' in the learning journey of children. Likewise, every minute of everyday counts. Consequently, we are reemphasising the importance of punctuality in mornings and the avoidance the of unnecessary early collections throughout the day. We have seen a huge improvement in children's overall attendance for the month of September! Therefore, we are acknowledging this by giving pupils who have missed no days in the month a certificate. Below are our Best Classes for Attendance in September. Keep up the good work and remember 'Every School **Day Counts!'**

Early Start (am) Mrs. Dalton

Early Start (pm) Mrs. Hughes

Junior Infants Ms. Ryan & Ms. Kenny

Senior Infants Ms. Cullen <u>First Class</u> Ms. Howard

Second Class Sr. Una

School Closure Mid-Term Break

The school will be closed for Mid-term Hallowe'en holidays

<u>School Closed from Monday</u> <u>30th October – Friday 3rd November</u>

<u>School will **Re**</u> – **Open** for all pupils on <u>Monday 6th November</u>



Have you any free time to help out at school? We need you!!



We really depend on the

Parents' Association to run a lot of school events. It's a great way to get to know more about school life and a chance for you to meet other parents. Any free time you can give is greatly appreciated.

We will be holding our A.G.M for our All Inclusive Parents' Association on <u>Friday</u> <u>20th October at 9: 30a.m</u> in the Parents' Room of the Pre-Fabs. All parents/guardians are welcome to the meeting and to join the Parent's Association. This is the time of the year we elect our new committee and even if you are not interested in being on the committee you might like to be involved on other ways. You are welcome to join us afterwards for tea/coffee.

There are also two vacancies on the Board of Management for one female and one male parent representatives. The position is for a mother and a father of a child in Scoil Nano Nagle. We will be looking for nominations at the A.G.M. *For any queries please talk to Ms Fassnidge (Home School Liaison teacher).*

Please email Ms Edel Fassnidge at: <u>nanonagleparentsassociation1@gmail.com</u> if you have a nomination, with the information listed below or if you have a

query. I am hope you can attend the A.G.M. tomorrow morning and I look forward to seeing you.

Name: _____

Name of Child:	
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Teacher's Name: _____

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Friday 27th October

Non-Uniform Day



Halloween Dress Up

Witches & Wizards Walk

Our Annual Fundraiser – The Witches and Wizards Walk will take place on <u>Friday 27th</u> <u>October</u>. All the children in Early Start, Junior and Senior Infants, First and Second Classes will be asked to dress up in fancy dress on that day and do a short walk around the school, with their class, weather permitting. This is a Non-Uniform Fundraiser by HSCL and the Parents Association and we ask for a contribution of €2 per family. This is one of our annual fundraising events of the year and your support is greatly appreciated. Funds are needed to ensure that our school resources are kept up to date.

The children will be allowed to come to school dressed up in their costume. Costumes should be sensible, and no accessories are allowed. Home-made outfits are best and families should feel no pressure to spend money on expensive costumes. We will take lots of photographs on the day and will post them to Class Dojo or Twitter for parents to see.

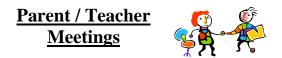
Junior Infants

Ms Byrne has commented on how Our Junior Infants have settled in so well at Nano Nagle and to foster more independence, a DROP & GO system will commence after the Halloween break. Parents and guardians can walk Junior infants to the gate and they will be encouraged to walk to their lines by themselves! Don't worry there will be lots of teachers and SNA's to hand to guide them!

<u> Walking Group – Step & Chat</u>



Enjoy a walk, meet new people, stay fit and healthy! The walking group – **Step & Chat** takes place every Tuesday (*weather permitting*), meeting at Bawnogue Church Car Park at <u>9.20am</u>. HSCL coordinators from Scoil Nano Nagle and Scoil Talbot will meet-up and walk together when possible. All welcome!



The parent teacher meetings will be held on Wednesday 22nd November and Thursday

23rd November. Details to follow after halfterm. We look forward to seeing you then.





Adult Classes

The Knitting Group will take place every **Thursday** until further notice from 9.15a.m. to 11.15a.m. in

the Parents' Room in the Pre-Fabs. No experience required. All welcome.



Reminders!

Punctuality: 'Start as you mean to go on'-bringing your child to school on time is so importantensuring your child is lined up with the class

outside means they are ready to start on time with their classmates.

Attendance: Please inform the school if you know in advance, that your child won't be in, by text or voice message (please speak slowly and clearly when leaving a voice **message**). Just a reminder that any calls/messages concerning attendance should be directed to the mobile number at the top of the newsletter 2:087 1755308 and **NOT** the school number. If there is no answer please leave a message. We thank you for your co-operation.

Early Collections: Please try to organise appointments after school hours if possible. It is important that your child remains at school until the official school day ends as he/she is missing out on valuable curriculum time and this impinges on their learning and overall success. We would ask for your cooperation in this matter.



Updated Contact Details

Please make Peggy (secretary) aware of any change of telephone number/address/email by filling out the yellow form available from Peggy at reception. Or use the Aladdin app to make changes yourself. This can be done at any stage during the year. It is very important that the school has correct contact details.

Parking of cars at drop off and collection times.

We understand that the main road outside the school gates can be very busy at drop off and collection times. Please be mindful of homeowners in the area by not blocking driveways and gates.

Illnesses

It is very important that the school be told if your child develops any form of serious illness during the year. This should be done as soon as possible in order to ensure that we can take the necessary steps to safeguard all pupils and staff. If your child is ill, he/she should be kept at home and follow medical advice.



"Stop for the Lollipop" campaign.

Therese is our Lollipop lady. She does a fantastic job everyday helping CHILDREN to cross the road near the school, safely. She stands in the middle of the road and holds up a stick with a round sign on it that means that the traffic must **<u>STOP!</u>** Please be mindful to obey the school traffic warden who is present to keep our children safe.

The school traffic warden's role (lollipop lady) is **to ensure that primary-school children cross public roads safely on their way to and from school**. The law governing the appointment of school traffic wardens is the Road Traffic Act, 1961 (Section 96).

Mental Health & the HSE



The HSE has a useful Mental Health section on their website which contains information and advice about mental health and wellbeing. Click on the link below: <u>https://www2.hse.ie/mental-health/</u> Choose a topic to make the connections and find support that can help (anxiety, sleep, stress and low mood).

Home School Support 2023/24

If you are concerned about a family situation that



may be affecting your child, please inform us. There is help available in our school and we can let you know of services that are available in the community. The Home School

Community Liaison Co-ordinator (HSCL), Ms Fassnidge is here to support you in a private and confidential way during school hours. **Please note that the HSCL phone number is different to the school number**



<u>089 615 8480</u> or alternatively you can email <u>hsclnanonagle@gmail.com</u> during school hours.

School Website

Please check the school website regularly for recent updates and school information. <u>www.scoilnanonagle.com</u>