

🍁 September 🍊 October ☁ November 🎅 December 2025

It's been a busy number of months but here is a glimpse into what we've been up to and also some reminders!

😊 Welcome Naionáin Bheaga 😊

A very warm welcome to our 16 new Junior Infants, who have been very busy the past number of months familiarising themselves with their new routines. They have really settled into their new environment. They enjoy and love creating some lovely artistic creations in ealain

🎨 and doing exciting experiments 🖋

We would also like to extend a huge welcome to Aideen, who has joined the buachaillí agus caillíní in Senior Infants and to Jod who has joined 6th class and is wowing us with her wonderful signing skills

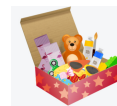


👐 ISL Week 👐

This year the whole school learned how to sign the song 'You've Got a Friend in Me' as part of Irish Sign Language Week. A huge thank you to Ms. Lynch and her wonderful group of signers Jod, Evie, Ryan and Chloe 👐. If you'd like to learn some new signs, there is a video on our Flickr account via our website www.kilmurryns.ie

Team Hope Shoebox Appeal

Thank you to everyone who has donated to this year's Christmas Shoebox Appeal. Your kindness will make this Christmas a very special one for many little children 🙏. Thank you Ms. Lynch and her helpers for organising this year's appeal.



Maths Week in Kilmurry NS

- Classes were put through their paces during Maths Week with early morning brain 🧠 teasers to wake everyone up for the day. All
- classes also enjoyed a Maths webinar with Michelle Culloty.
- Let's see if you can figure this one out: I make noise when I change.
- The bigger I get, the lighter I become. What am I? 🤔

Student Council

We look forward to hearing ideas from our new student council Ethan, Millie, Alison, Rian, Kian and Cyanna on how to make life in Kilmurry NS even better.



Credit Union Colouring Competition

Congratulations to Aoibhe on receiving a merit award in the 11-13 category Credit Union Colouring Competition.



🌻 Sensory Garden 🌻

In July children who took part in the summer programme were busy painting and decorating our sensory garden. Hopefully during spring the rest of the garden will be planted and finished. We look forward to getting the opportunity to enjoy it.

Gaelbhratach


Anseo i Scoil Mhuire, is breá linn an Ghaeilge agus an teanga a úsáid. We are delighted to take part in the Gaelbhratach programme again this year, which recognises the use of Gaeilge throughout the school. Comhghairdeachas to this year's Coiste, Emily, Aoibhe, Abbie, Ellen, Aoibhinn agus Bridget.



Well Being - Acts of Kindness 📖

We have been acknowledging acts of kindness displayed by children around Kilmurry NS every Friday. Be the reason someone smiles. 😊

Kilmurry NS is a NUT FREE school

As we have children in the school with peanut  and sesame seed allergies, please do not send any of these nut related foods to school.
Thank you.

Roll Call Protocol

Just a reminder regarding Roll Call. Roll Call is taken at 10.30am every morning. Even if you send a note through Aladdin to say your child will be arriving late due to an appointment, we cannot mark your child present until they are on the school premises. This is for insurance purposes. When your child arrives in school we then amend the roll and mark the child present and record the arrival time on Aladdin.

Child Protection Review

At a recent Board of Management meeting on the 16th of October our annual Child Protection and Risk Assessment checklist was completed.

Enrolments for the 2026/2027 School Year

The enrolment process for the 2026/2027 school year is now open. If you wish to enrol your child, please contact the school for an enrolment form. You can also enrol via a link on our website www.kilmurryns.ie

New website

www.kilmurryns.ie Please check out our new and improved website and our Flickr link for pictures of events and activities happening in school.

Sign In/Out Book


If for any reason you require to collect your child/children early please sign the Sign In/Out book located near the office. Also, please sign them in if dropping them off past our starting time of 9.20am. Thank you very much.

Upcoming School Closures

2nd March- Primary Curriculum Framework

25th May- Primary Curriculum Framework

First Holy Communion

Rang 2 will make their First Holy Communion on **Saturday the 2nd of May at 11am** in Cordal Church. All children from 3rd to 6th class will be participating in the choir on the day. If parents could ensure that children are present at the choir on the day, it would be very much appreciated 

Confirmation

Rang 6 will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday 26th of February at 3pm. They will be joined on the day by pupils from Scartaglen and Scoil Íde, Curranes.

Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas Jumper Day will take place in school on **Thursday 11th of December** in aid of SVP. Children can bring in donations on the day.

Christmas Decorations

We have just put up our Christmas Tree here in school. Each year, we get the children to create the decorations for the tree. We would be delighted if children could bring in some homemade decorations to spice up our tree and give it that wow factor!!

Christmas Mass

Our annual Christmas Mass will take place in the church at 9.30am on Friday 19th of December. It should finish around 11.30am. Children are asked to wear their Christmas jumpers on the day. Transport will be arranged for children attending breakfast club and afterschool on the day. Everyone is welcome to attend our Christmas Mass.

September Birthdays

Naíonáin Bheaga: **Thomas, Jack, Judd**

Naíonáin Mhóra: : **Jack, Mia, Emily**

Rang 1: **Sophie**

Rang 2: **Aideen**

Rang 4 **Daniel**

Rang 5: **Niamh, Sonny, Eamon**

Cúl Cab Kindness

A sincere thank you to John Clifford for his generosity and kindness again this year. John has very kindly donated €250 to the school again this year. This money will be put towards purchasing PE and outdoor equipment for the children.

October Birthdays

Naíonán Bheaga: **Sophia, Staś**

Rang 1: **Gerald**

Rang 2: **Julia, Fiadh, Millie**

Rang 4: **Evie**

Rang 5: **Alesha, Aoibhe**

November Birthdays

Naíonán Mhóra: **Eddie**

Rang 2: **Robyn**

Rang 3: **Kyle**

Rang 5: **Saibh, Lorcan**

Rang 6: **Aidan, Jack**

Parents Association 2025/2026

A sincere thank you to all parents who attended this year's first Parents' Association meeting. This year's association members are as follows:

- **Chairperson:** Liz Keane
- **Vice Chairperson:** Rosaleen Wall
- **Secretary:** Helena McElligott
- **Treasurers:** Breeda Walsh and Siobhán Culhane

They are always happy to welcome more parents to their meetings.



The Parents Association will be holding a movie night on Friday 12th of December at 7pm. Entry is €5 per child.

Our Student Council will choose a selection of movies for each class. From this selection, each age group will vote on their favourite movie to show on the night.

Last year the Student Council suggested that children could bring their own goodies and it worked out a treat! We will do this again this year.

Also children can again wear their pyjamas and bring blankets and pillows on the night.

The Parents Association are looking for volunteers to help out with supervision during the movies and at collection time on the night. If you are free and willing to help out please contact a member of the Parents' Association. Thank you.

Christmas Blitz

This is the event that many children consider the highlight of their Christmas!

This year the school will have seven teams participating in the Christmas Blitz. This would not be possible without the time, effort and support of parents who have volunteered to coach and train each team. A sincere thank you to all parents involved.

We would like to wish everyone the very best of luck but most importantly to enjoy the occasion.

Halloween Colouring Competition



Congratulations to our Halloween colouring competition winners. It's always a tough choice! A special thanks to Catherine for organising all of the lovely prizes.

Parents Association Meetings

Thank you to all parents that attended the most recent meeting, it was a very productive one.

How the meetings work

At each meeting the association go through the minutes of the previous meeting and address any other business.

Then they discuss possible fundraising ideas and suggestions for the school going forward. Meetings generally run for about an hour.

The Parents' Association are hoping to have each class represented by a parent at each of their meetings by creating a rota of people that will be able to attend.

The next meeting will take place on **Tuesday the 27th of January at 7.30pm**. Everyone is very welcome to attend and it would be wonderful to see some new faces on the night.

Christmas Hampers

Each year our Christmas Hamper Draw is a fantastic fundraiser for the school. Funds raised contribute significantly to the cost of transport to swimming and buses throughout the year.

The Parents' Association are currently organising it again this year and have been busy gathering donations and sponsorship the past few weeks.

Some of the raffle will take place this year in school on Thursday 18th. The sellers draw will take place after our Christmas Mass on Friday 19th of December.

If you know of any businesses that might be willing to donate to this fundraiser, letters seeking donations will be available from the school.

Cashel Ward Contributions

Thank you to everyone who donated to this year's Halloween fancy dress. The school raised €136 which was donated to Cashel Ward at University Hospital Kerry.

