



September 2023



# Newsletter

Dear Parents,

It was fantastic to open the doors to so many smiling faces on August 31st. The children have settled back to school very well. We are extremely happy with how things are going in every classroom. There is a lovely lively atmosphere around the school with super activities happening every day.

Thank you all for your continued support. Please contact us if you have any concerns.

Robbie Murphy

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## Friendship Fortnight 18th - 29th Spetember

We have been celebrating friendship, kindness and respect the last two weeks with lovely activities in every class room. This is a big part of our school culture and we really enjoyed it!

Thank you Ms O'Neill for organising.



## School Rules Reminder

The students are so well behaved and show a great attitude to school every day. A reminder to all we do not allow mobile phones in school. We ask for girls to wear their hair up and no makeup or nail varnish please.





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## Pupil Details

Please inform the school of any changes of address, contact details, phone numbers or other relevant information as soon as possible. Please inform the school principal immediately if your daughter is diagnosed with any allergy or medical condition that might require emergency medication in school (e.g. asthma, epilepsy, etc.).



## Green Schools

We are a green school and currently have seven green flags. We therefore ask pupils to bring lunches and drinks in plastic reusable boxes/bottles labelled with their name, and to avoid using tinfoil/plastic bags/cling film etc. Any uneaten lunch or wrapping or fruit peels etc. should be brought home in the lunchbox.



## Sport

The girls have been straight back into action with the return of school sports - Basketball, Table Tennis, GAA, Tag Rugby!

Well done to our Senior Girls GAA Team who won in their opening match this week!

## Beginning of Year Mass

Fr Liam welcomed all of the students back into the Church to celebrate our new school year. Ms Sharkey's choir sang so nicely!





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## Allergies

We have several students with serious nut allergies. Our school is a Nut Free School. All nuts and nut products such as peanut/almond butter, chocolate spreads e.g. Nutella, bars/biscuits/cakes containing nuts are not permitted in school. Our school Healthy Eating Policy has been amended to reflect the above issue, and is available on our school website.



## Policies Online

Please remember our updated school policies are on our website - [www.ourladysgns.ie](http://www.ourladysgns.ie)

We recently completed our annual review of Anti-Bullying and Child Safeguarding.

## Important Dates

**Grandparents Day Afternoon**  
6th October

**Visit to classes from Heritage Ireland**  
29th Sept - Junior, Senior, 1st, 4th  
6th Oct - 6th, 2nd  
10th Nov - 5th, 3rd, 4th

**Pupils Assembly Celebrating Friendship Fortnight**  
26th September

**Mid-term**  
27th Oct - School Closes for mid-term.  
Reopening 6th November

**Christmas**  
22nd December 23 (12:30) - 8th January 24

**2nd Class First Communion - 18/5/24**

**6th Class Confirmation - 30/4/24**





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## After School Clubs



- Homework Club (Mon, Wed, Thur)
- Art and Crafts Club (Wed and Thur)
- Lego and Games Club (Tue and Fri)
- Wellbeing Club (Wed)
- Table Tennis (Fri)
- 6th GAA (Fri)
- Senior Basket Ball (Mon)



## School Social Media Account

We have moved our social media account to Instagram - ourladysgns. Please follow us!

Website: <https://www.ourladysgns.ie/>

