

# LUCAN ETNS

February 14th 2025



## Welcome

I hope you are all looking forward to a restful and enjoyable mid-term break. It's wonderful to see the grand stretch in the evenings which gives us all opportunities to get out and be more active. This fortnight saw our boys soccer team play their first match of the season against Castleknock ETNS. The boys gave a great account of themselves and were very unlucky in a 3-2 defeat. There were a lot of positives to take from the game and they will have plenty more opportunities this year.

We have a very busy few weeks ahead with World Book Day on the horizon and the visiting Book Fair, we also have gymnastics starting the week we return for Infants, 2nd, 4th and Cosáin. We also have lots of activities already planned for Seachtain na Gaeilge too. We are very fortunate to have so many teachers who put in an incredible effort into developing and organising these focus weeks which create so many wonderful school memories for our children and I would like to sincerely thank them all.

I would also like to thank our wonderful PTA who organised the very successful & delicious Valentine's Bake Sale that took place today. All monies raised will go towards funding our library upgrade. I hope everyone has a wonderful mid-term break and we look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on the 24th of February.



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## Dates for your Diary

**ATTENTION**

- Mid-term break - 17th - 21st February
- Book Fair 3rd - 6th March
- Rang Lugh/Fiona's Class Assembly - 3rd March @9:15
- Lucan Boys V Scoil Mhuire 5th March @13:00 Airlie Park
- World Book Day 6th March
- Lucan Girls V St. Andrews 7th March @13:00 Airlie Park
- Rang Danú/Helen's Class Assembly - 10th March @9:15
- Seachtain na Gaeilge 18th - 21st March

## School Summer Programme

We would love to be able to run the Summer Programme in the school this year and we have confirmed our intention to do so with the Dept. of Education. The programme which is designed for our students in Cosáin would run for two weeks from 10am - 2pm starting on the 30th June and finishing on the 11th July. The aim of the programme is to build confidence and build connections. We will be putting together a plan for the fortnight in the coming months. We have a number of staff already in place to help us deliver the programme this summer, however, we still require ANAs in order to be able to deliver on this promise. If any member of the school community would be interested please do get in contact with the school office. It would be greatly appreciated.

# Free School Meals

I would like to thank the large number of parents who attended the school last week and met with a number of school meal providers and shared feedback. It is important that we make the best choice for our children and your input is greatly appreciated. While we as a school must consider the logistics, spacing, sustainability etc. the final decision on selecting a provider rests with parents. We will be in contact once the Dept. has confirmed that we may proceed to selecting a contractor, many thanks for all your help with this.



# Solar Panels Update

We have entered a contract for installation of the Dept. funded solar panels in our school and it is our hope that the installation will take place over the Easter break. 14 panels will be installed at this time and we will continue to research the possibility of expanding this project further. It will be interesting to see the impact this will have on our energy usage/costs.



# County Photos

A reminder that the deadline for ordering student/sibling/class photos is February the 26th. Samples have already been sent home to help you decide. Many thanks.



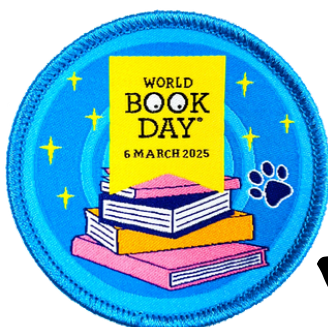
# Road Safety

The safety of children at drop off & collection is critically important. Can I remind everyone once again that the school gates are not to be used as a turning point or as a parking space. This creates unnecessary risk and disrupts traffic flow. Can I also encourage everyone to adhere to the rules of the road and take their time when dropping off or collecting children. It is not the responsibility of the school to manage traffic, however, we always want to be good neighbours and ensure children have a safe journey to and from school.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

# Scholastic Book Fair & World Book Day

The Scholastic Book Fair will take place from Monday 3rd March until Thursday 6th March. All children will have an opportunity to browse the large collection of books and discover books which appeal to them before making a decision to make a purchase on a subsequent day. The book fair will be open to parents every day from 13:45 - 14:30. Parents of Junior and Senior Infants can join their child/children in browsing and selecting a book at this time. Please see the Book Fair timetable below and to view all book titles please click on the stack of books on the next page!



Sharon has put together a wonderful Padlet with lots of activities and resources for you to enjoy at home in the build up to World Book Day! Click on the icon to the left to access.



# Scholastic Book Fair & World Book Day



Day/Time	Monday 6th	Thursday 7th	Monday 11th	Tuesday 12th
8:50 - 9:15	Rang Eirú/Sarah JI	Rang Anú/Aishling JI	Rang Lugh/Fiona SI	Rang Danú/Helen SI
9:15 - 9:40	Rang Aengus/Sarah 2nd	Rang Cú Chulainn/Séamus 6th	Rang Aengus/Sarah 2nd	Rang Boann/Amanda 2nd
9:45 - 10:15	Rang Dagda/Maeve 6th	Rang Eostre/Ruth and Catriona's 5th	Rang Dagda/Maeve 6th	Rang Medb/Michael 1st
11:00 - 11:30	Rang Medb/Michael 1st	Rang Brigid/Karen 4th	Rang Fódla/Caoimhe 3rd	Rang Brigid/Karen 4th
11:30 - 12:00	Rang Fódla/Caoimhe 3rd	Rang Pádraig/Sarah 4th	Rang Eostre/Ruth and Catriona's 5th	Rang Pádraig/Sarah 4th
12:45 - 13:15	Rang Tara/Muireann 5th	Rang Fionn/Emma 1st	Rang Tara/Muireann 5th	Rang Fionn/Emma 1st
13:15 - 13:45	Rang Oghma/Colum 3rd	Rang Boann/Amanda 2nd	Na Fianna/Andrea Cosáin	Rang Cú Chulainn/Séamus 6th
13:45 - 14:30	Parents can accompany child/children to book fair			

