

LUCAN ETNS

October 3rd 2025



Welcome

Our value for the month of September was Teamwork, we emphasised that together we can all achieve more while ensuring everyone feels included and belongs. Sarah's second class delivered a wonderful assembly this week to demonstrate the importance of teamwork. It was wonderful to see the children speaking and performing with such confidence and being so supportive of one another. This month we will turn our focus to one of our core values, Kindness. It's great to see the such a wide array of activities returning to school this month and I hope all the children are enjoying these experiences. I also hope you enjoying reading about them in this Newsletter. A massive thank to our in-house student journalists.

Admissions 2026/27

A reminder that admissions for Junior Infants 26/27 is now open and online enrolment forms are available on the school website. Closing date is the 24th of October. I would also like to inform parents of 6th Class students that admissions for secondary places are now open and I would encourage you to check your preferred secondary schools websites for more information.

Dyslexia Awareness Day - Bake Sale

October is Dyslexia Awareness Month and October 8th is World Dyslexia Day. We have an art competition, with prizes, in which children have freedom to create whatever they wish. We will take part in an 'inside out' day, which will take place on the 8th of October. Sometimes children with dyslexia have difficulty connecting letters to sounds and they can even see letters jumbled while reading which makes it more challenging. To acknowledge this challenge children are encouraged to wear a jumper, socks or coat, inside out for the day. On Friday, we will host a bake sale in the school, donations are greatly appreciated. All monies raised will go towards purchasing C-pens for the school which support children with Dyslexia with their reading. A reminder that donations cannot contain nuts. Thank you to all in advance and a particular thanks to Medb & Kamela who are the driving force behind these activities.

Dates for your Diary

- 1st October - Junior Infants 26/27 Admission Open
- 6th October - Junior Infant Vaccinations
- 8th October - Dyslexia Awareness Day 'inside out'
- 10th October - Bake Sale for School C-pen reader
- 15th October - Flu Vaccinations
- 20th October - Rang Boann/Amanda's Class Assembly @9:15
- 21st October - Connected Childhood Talk for Parents @19:00 in the school hall
- 22nd October - Halloween Disco with Catch Dance Academy
- 24th October - Presidential Election - School Closed

Connected Childhood Parent Talk

On the 21st of October we will be hosting a parent talk in school from 7pm. The talk will be led by Anna & Susanne from Connected Childhood who are teachers, therapists and parents. They will join us to talk about topics such as emotional regulation, co-regulation, a general parenting tips to support children's development. It will be an interactive talk and Anna & Susanne will also be available to speak to individuals afterwards. The talk is aimed at parents from Infants to 2nd Class but all parents are very welcome to attend and it would be great to get a good turnout so we can facilitate more talks of this nature in the future. Thanks to our PTA for identifying the need and interest in an event like this and I hope everyone finds it beneficial.

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Around the School

Violin Lessons - 3rd & 4th Class by Zoe



Violin with Lizzie is so fun. Today Lizzie taught us a song called; Trick or Treat. It was the first song I did on the violin. Last week we learned how to pluck, we learned how to hold a violin and learned what the strings are called. The strings are called: G,D,A and E. Lizzie taught us that the holes in the violin are how the sounds get out. We love playing the violin.



Sarah's 6th Class

Trees by Órlaith

In Rang Cúchulainn we have been learning about different native trees. We looked at fact and fiction about the different trees. Rang Cúchulainn also worked in pairs to make a book about different trees.



You can have a look through this book outside our classroom.



How to Make a Clay Leaf Bowl by Tyler

Rang a 6 were printing leaf patterns on clay to make these beautiful bowls. They painted the bowls in autumnal colours, with gold and silver trim.

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Clay

Dry Leaves

Rolling Pin

Bowl

Something to cut the clay



Step 1: Get some clay into a square that's thick.

Step 2: Place the leaf veins down on the clay and roll it out. Be careful not to roll it out too far and keep the clay thick!

Step 3: Remove the leaf carefully from the clay and cut out around the shape of the leaf.

Step 4: Put the clay in a bowl and leave for 24 hours.

Step 5: Paint your leaf bowl and leave to dry!

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Katies 6th Class

Spanish by Poppy & Isabelle



The fifth and sixth classes have started Spanish with Angelá every Thursday.

We find this experience so fun and we love to engage in lessons. To learn about other languages and cultures is such a pleasure. It is honestly genuinely amazing to be able to speak a different language other than English and Irish.

In these lessons we learn so much and cover many different topics beginning with basic steps and getting more advanced. It's not always writing, every lesson has something fun. This Thursday we had our first lesson and that included hang man and a lively game in just dance, which of course was in Spanish!

Our Spanish has already improved so much in just one lesson! We can not wait what to see and learn next! A huge thank you to everybody who has helped organise this brilliant and informative experience that helped to expand our knowledge. Getting to participate in this is a blessing as Spanish is spoken across the globe.

Our Time Playing Cricket by Daksh & Israel



Hello, this is Israel and Daksh from Katie's 6th class. We are here to tell you our experience of playing cricket.

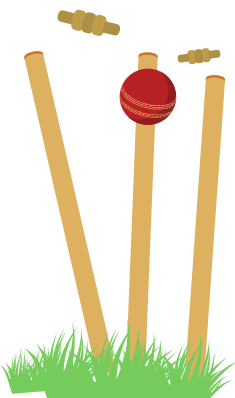
In our sessions, we split into groups to play cricket in a little group. We would take 3 bowls and then switch over who bats, who bowls, who's the wicket keeper etc.

We over all had a very team in our group our best player Noah he hit the ball over the fence and into the basket ball court. Bear in mind we were in the astroturf, the astroturf! Batting also needs precision but also power.

Our couch was a man named Mitchel, he was very kind to us and he always corrected us when we did something wrong. We learned when bowling, always keep your arm straight.

Fielding was a nightmare loads of people were good at batting to the extent that someone had to be at the gate of the astro. Most people would get higher than 5 runs.

Overall, our experience was amazing! With our excellent batters, our skilful bowlers and our great fielders and our spectacular coach! We are looking forward to our next session and have a little bit of fun!



School GAA

Boys Update by Franek & Seb



Hello this is Franek and Seb and we will be talking about the Gaelic football team. In our first match we played Divine Mercy. It was a very good battle but we managed to win the game in the last few minutes. We were delighted with the win and it was a great start to the season.

In our next match, we were playing St. John the Evangelist national school. We thought the match was played in Airlie Park but we realised that it was in Lucan Sarsfields, so we drove there and started the match straight away. We started the match very strong but in the second half we nearly lost, but we secured the win and walked away with three points.

In our next match this was the decider to see if we got to the quarter finals! We were missing two very good players, so we weren't playing our best. We still put up a big fight but they got away with the win. If it wasn't for our goalkeeper Max, we would've lost by way more. We are still waiting to see if we are in the quarter final or in the play offs. And a big thank you to Tom and Séamus for coaching us all this way.

Girls Update by Amy

The girls have played 3 matches and have won all three! Which means we are through to the quarter final. Amelia our captain has helped us to the quarter final but everyone has worked really hard too!



Class Assemblies 25/26

As mentioned previously our values for the year ahead are: Teamwork, Kindness, Positivity, Patience, Good Manners, Respect & Being Trustworthy. Please see details below of class assemblies for the year ahead. All class performances will take place at 9:15. These details are also available to view on the school website calendar.

Rang Boann/Amanda - 20/10/25

Rang Dagda/Katie - 10/11/25

Rang Tara/Muireann - 24/11/25

Rang Eostre/Ruth & Catriona - 1/12/25

Rang Medb/Tom - 12/01/26

Rang Fionn/Emma - 19/01/26

Rang Brigid/Karen - 3/02/26

Rang Padraig/Sarah - 9/02/26

Rang Lugh/Fiona - 23/02/26

Rang Danú/Rachel - 2/03/26

Rang Fódla /Caoimhe - 23/03/26

Rang Oghma/Colum - 20/04/26

Rang Anú/Aishling - 27/04/26

Rang Eriú /Sarah - 18/05/26

