

# LUCAN ETNS

January 30<sup>th</sup> 2026



## Farewell

As I reach the end of my term in Lucan ETNS I would like to take this opportunity to thank so many of the people who make this learning environment the special place that it is. My first thanks are to the staff. Our teachers, our secretaries Barbara and Liesel, ANAs and our caretaker, John. Your contribution to the school goes way above and beyond your job description. The time, thought, consideration and collaboration you all put in is always done with the best interests of the children at heart. Your positivity and fun also make this a fantastic place to work. Sincere thanks for all of this and more.

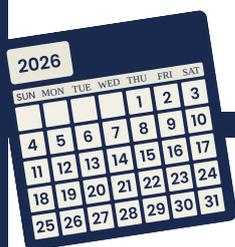
Thanks to our children who are the beating heart of our school. Greeting them in the morning is the best start to anyone's day. They take on so many different responsibilities every year - active leaders, green team members, student council, reading buddies and line leaders to name but a few of their roles. They are each navigating their way through the curriculum, through friendships, through changes and various challenges and it is a gift to see them develop in all these ways and more every day.

Thanks to our PTA for the continuous contribution made to school events and fundraisers. I will never know where you find the time to make such a meaningful impact on our children's school experience, your support and expertise is so appreciated and is to the great benefit of all the children. To all the parents I have come to know over the years, thank you sincerely.

I have loved every minute of leading our school and it is has been a genuine privilege. I would like to formally wish Séamus the very best in this treasured role. It is a role that I leave with a very heavy heart but I am so thankful to have been given the opportunity. I would like to wish the entire Lucan ETNS community the very best for the future.

With very best wishes and thanks to you all.

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## Dates for your Diary

- Cosáin Admissions OPEN - close on the 13<sup>th</sup> of February
- St Brigid's Day - 2<sup>nd</sup> February - school closed
- Rang Brigid/Karen's Class Assembly - 3<sup>rd</sup> February @9:00
- Primary Curriculum Framework training - school closed - 4<sup>th</sup> February
- Rang Pádraig/Sarah Q's Class Assembly - 9<sup>th</sup> February @9:00



**Cosáin Admissions close 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026**



# Basketball

## by Noah & Rachel

Our last Basketball match was in St. Finian's. The boys won but sadly the girls lost. Both teams played very well and they played as a team. Our next match is on the 29<sup>th</sup> of January against Divine Mercy. We have been training very hard for our next match and are really looking forward to playing them. Thanks to our coach Sarah for all her help.

# 6<sup>th</sup> Class Leavers Hoodies

## by Jayden & Joseph

We were so happy when we got a call saying our hoodies were here! We went down in small groups excited to see them and try them on. We were super excited to see the hoodies turned out perfect. We would like to thank the Board of Management for these wonderful hoodies. Táimid fíorbhuíoch don Bord of Management.



# A message from Séamus

Dear all,

It is a great honour for me, Séamus Lynam to have been selected as the new Principal of Lucan Educate Together National School. It has been a great privilege for me to have worked at our wonderful school since my appointment here in March 2023 as Deputy Principal. Over the last three years I have gotten to know many members of our school community and I look forward to working with all our children, staff and parents in the years ahead.

Lucan Educate Together National School is a very special place for all of our children and families. It is my ambition to continue to work with all the parties in our school community to continue to make our school a welcoming, inspiring and safe place for the children of Lucan Educate Together. I am looking forward to meeting everyone in the school community in the coming weeks and embarking on this exciting journey together.

# Updates Around the School

This week saw the commencement of Free School Meals in our school. We hope this initiative proves successful and provides nutritious food to our children every day, as well as, help to alleviate some of the pressures families face.

This week County Photos were in to take student/class photos. County Photos will return in the coming weeks to complete all students/classes. In February we will welcome back Sports in Schools who will deliver Gymnastics lessons in Infants, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & Cosáin classes for 6 weeks.

This week we welcomed our SENO, who conducted an ANA review in the hope of increasing our ANA allocation. A massive amount of work goes into these reviews. I would like to sincerely thank Therese who has led the process and all our Teachers & ANAs who advocate so strongly on behalf of our children. Let's hope we receive a positive outcome.