

# LUCAN ETNS

May 22nd 2026

Welcome



Tá suil againn go mbeidh sibh reidh go maith agus ag baint suilt as an solas na gréine! We hope everyone is well and you are all enjoying the long evenings at present and the brightness!

The last couple of weeks have been a very busy number of weeks for all the staff and pupils at Lucan ETNS. There has been a variety of activities taking place within the school from Soccer, Hurling, Camogie Matches, School Trips, and today the school athletics team take to the track in Santry to represent the school.

We hope you all have a very pleasant weekend and enjoy spending time with your families. Hopefully the weather is nice enough to get out for some fresh air!

## Dates for your Diary

- Santry Athletics May 22<sup>nd</sup>
- School Basketball Finals May 26<sup>th</sup>
- June 8<sup>th</sup> School Association AGM.
- School Closure June 11<sup>th</sup> for Staff  
Primary Curriculum Training
- Incoming Junior Infants Parents  
information evening June 11<sup>th</sup> 6.30pm
- 6<sup>th</sup> Class Graduation Date June 23<sup>rd</sup>

## Focus Weeks

- Active Week June 15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>

## Food Dudes Award for School



On Thursday May 8<sup>th</sup> Catriona represented our school at an awards ceremony for the Food Dudes Programme's Presentation Day. At this ceremony schools are awarded for celebrating everything a school has achieved in encouraging healthy eating habits among students.

Our school has a strong association with the promotion of healthy eating and Catriona was delighted to accept a plaque that sits in the school reception and a strawberry plant that will be planted in the school grounds.

Well done to all our children for taking part in the programme and a big thank you to Catriona for being the driving force behind the programme at our school.



# School Association AGM June 8th

Lucan Educate Together School Association - Annual AGM 2026 Notification

What makes a school great?

Lucan Educate Together National School have a proud and vibrant community who, week by week, come together to create connection and community to provide a quality, meaningful learning and developmental experience for our children and families.

Our school's leadership: the Board of Management, Parent Teacher Association, and Executive Committee are key to fostering our culture and identity.

LETNS is a unique school in Ireland as we are one of 9 Educate Together schools who have an independent patron. The patron - known as Lucan ETS Association or "Executive Committee" - ensures the ethos of Educate Together is upheld, that the school leadership is supported and that our physical school and culture develops and grows according to our needs.

As a company limited by guarantee, the patron body is required to hold an Annual General Meeting (AGM), which will be taking place on Monday 8th June 7:30pm in the school library. As a Membership based body, we are encouraging parents and guardians, to consider joining as Members of the Association, without whom the patron could not exist. Membership packs to existing Members will be issued shortly by the school office.

Membership can be renewed via this link - [Link to Form](#) and membership is confirmed upon payment of €2 payable to the school office or brought to the AGM also.

Members are entitled to put forward and vote on motions at the AGM. Members and non Members are welcome to join the AGM evening and to hear our activity report for 2025-2026. The patron is coordinated by a panel of volunteer parents as a committee and two teachers and we welcome new Members who might wish to get involved in this great team.

Together We Can! For more information on the Executive Committee, please contact the school office.

## Sarah's 6th Class Visit from Kildare Traveller Action



A Visit From Ann from Kildare Traveller Action

Sixth class have been learning about Travellers and, lucky enough, we had a visitor on the 1st of May who is a Traveller. Her name is Ann O'Donnell. She taught sixth class how to make flowers out of crepe paper while talking about her childhood and life as a Traveller. When Ann was young, she was discriminated against and her class of Traveller children was segregated from the other children in the school. They weren't allowed to play with the other children on yard either. Each day the teacher checked if the Traveller children were clean enough to come to school.

Ann also sang a Traveller song! As she was talking, she was making a paper flower. It looked very easy, but trust me, it was much harder than it looked. Everyone made different flowers with bright colours. I suppose this reminds us of how we are all different. Now all the flowers are on display in our classroom

and you are welcome to come in to see them.

Japjeet - Sarah's 6<sup>th</sup> Class.



Poem by Eliza 4<sup>th</sup> Class

I can't speak up, I find school tough,  
Sometimes I feel, I'm not enough  
I find it hard to make friends,  
I tend to have weird habits- but that's just me!  
I try to hide it but they always see.  
I hate loud noises and big crowds, but those are just 2 things I fear,  
Today, I'd rather stay here.

I have something called an angry cup  
Every time i get mad, a bit fills up,  
When I'm happy it goes down, something different than a frown.  
I don't like being rejected - it doesn't harm anyone else, I'm the only one affected.  
I just want to feel respected.

By Eliza Kelly

Karen's 4th Class.

## Girls Soccer Team

The girls soccer team were most unlucky to be beaten 2 - 1 by Castleknock ETNS in the quarter final of the cup last Friday May 15<sup>th</sup> . It was a huge achievement to get this far in the competition and the school is very proud of you all. Many thanks to Katie and Celine for your coaching.



## Fouth Class Trip to Tallaght

On Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May the two fourth classes went to see Ocean in the Square Tallaght. We got on the W4 bus and luckily it wasn't too packed so we got on it. When we got there we went into the cinema and went upstairs to the VIP suites. We were in the red cinema and there were loads of schools there too. They were seated on 2 seated couches and we were really lucky that we got VIP. The movie was about the sea trawlers destroying the sea. About 100,000 ships go out to sea every day. We're lucky to still have the sea so just let nature be. After the film we got out and were all shocked because the sea is being destroyed. Afterwards we got the same bus. When we got back to school I was banjaxed. - Zeph Hyland Rang Brigid



## Be in Line at Ten to Nine!!



Dear parents with the fine weather and bright mornings at present it would be great to see all pupils lining up in the yard in the mornings where they have a chance to chat with their friends before entering the school at 8.50am. Our school gates open at 8.30am and the 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Class children are supervised until 8.50am. The infants line up at the back of the school with an adult accompanying them. It would be great to see more pupils in the yard in the morning and "be in the line at ten to nine"!



## Board of Management Community Representative

It was fantastic to see such a response from our school community at our Culture Night last month. It just shows how valued everyone's different contribution is. At present our board of management still requires another community representative. If anyone would be interested in stepping up to fulfill this role on our board it would be most appreciated. Please feel free to email Barbara at [info@letns.org](mailto:info@letns.org) to express an interest in this position.

## Third Class Trip to Willsbrook Park

Third class recently took a trip to the park to investigate the amazing plant and insect life. We looked closely at bugs, studied the plant life and even drew drawings with charcoal. It was a great day out and we had so much fun learning about nature in our local area.



## School Hurling & Camogie Teams

The school hurling team have played three games to date. Last Tuesday they played Sacred Heart Sruleen in a well contested game losing in the end despite a spirited performance.

The school camogie team has been drawn to play Gaelscoil na Camóige in the knockout stages of the competition. Emma, Catherine and the girls are very excited for the game next Thursday in Round Towers GAA Club.

## Non Returning Families & School Calendar

Can any families not returning to the school, in September please let the school know.. Also the school calendar for 2026/2027 has been finalised and has been circulated by email and there is a link on the parents corner of the school website of it

