



# *Scoil an Tamhnaigh*

*Toonagh, Fountain, Ennis,  
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28<sup>th</sup> of January 2026

Dear Parent(s),

There are a number of items I would like to bring to your attention.

## **Hot School Meals**

The hot school meals started in Toonagh NS on Monday. There was great excitement on Monday and we hope this scheme will be of benefit to our pupils and families. Please send the lunch box that was provided into school each day. When ordering, please be aware that orders must be in **36 hours** before the day of the school meal. Cathal & Assumpta from [hotschoolmeals.ie](http://hotschoolmeals.ie) are on hand to assist any parents if required: [info@hotschoolmeals.ie](mailto:info@hotschoolmeals.ie) 087 7974524.

## **Grandparents' and Relatives' Day**

On Wednesday February 18<sup>th</sup> we are inviting grandparents and relatives to visit our school. There will be mass at 11a.m. with some music and song from the children. There will then be a fun game of bingo for all our children and visitors! There will also be some refreshments served afterwards for our visitors. An invite was sent home this week with the pupils.

## **Pupil Attendance**

Since we returned on August 27<sup>th</sup>, the average attendance has been 94%. It is very important to let the school know if your child is absent and the reason why as we have to record this on our daily school attendance records. It is school policy that every absence reason must be given in writing/email to the class teacher for school records.

## **Communicating with the School**

Please contact the school if you have changed your mobile number or email address and if you are not receiving texts/emails.

Please note our secretary (Noelette) works on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and you can contact the school on these days. Outside of these days we try to check the school voicemail end of the school day. Also outside of these times the phone will rarely be answered as all staff are in class. You may email your child's teacher on the email addresses that were provided in the September Newsletter.

## **School Planning half day closure**

The school will close on Wednesday February 4<sup>th</sup> @12.30 pm for a half day for a Staff meeting to facilitate staff planning. Buses will operate as normal at this time.

## **Donation of Books**

We are trying to increase our stock of Accelerated Reader (AR) books for our library. If you are doing a clear out of books at any stage that are on AR we will use them for our library. Thank you.

## **Cold Weather**

Temperatures have been very cold in January so children could wear an extra layer or two under their uniform and tracksuit if they wish. It is very important that the children have a warm coat and hat with them every day during these colder months of Winter and Spring.

## **Drop off and Collection Parking**

Please avoid parking, dropping or collecting on the yellow bus boxes outside our school. No parking please at any time on the double yellow lines between the main school gate and pedestrian gate. Our neighbour directly across from the school gate is unable to leave or access their house when this happens. Thanks for your cooperation with this important health and safety matter.

## School Sport

- **Hurling & Camogie Wall Ball League:** The Camogie league is on at the moment for girls that wish to take part from 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>. The boys' league has concluded and well done to everyone who took part. The league takes place at sos and lunch times in the excellent Indoor Astro Turf facility and it is helping the children to develop their skills.

## Clothes Collection:

There will be a clothes collection on Monday March 16<sup>th</sup>. Contributions of any unwanted clothes, belts, shoes, towels, curtains and bags would be greatly appreciated. Clothes can be dropped off to Toonagh hall on that day and there will be more details on drop off times soon. The week prior to this some bags can be dropped at the school and we will bring them to the hall. Please spread the word and thanks for your support

## Parents Association News:

- **Refreshments for Grandparents' and Relatives' Day:** Our Parents Association are organising refreshments for our visitors on Wednesday February 18<sup>th</sup>, more details closer to the date.
- **Clothes Collection Fundraiser:** This will take place on Monday March 16<sup>th</sup>.

## Important Dates coming up:

- **Monday February 2<sup>nd</sup>:** School closed for February Public Holiday.
- **Wednesday February 4<sup>th</sup>:** School Closes @12.30pm for staff planning meeting.
- **Wednesday February 18<sup>th</sup>:** Grandparents' and Relatives' Day @ 11am.
- **Thursday February 19<sup>th</sup> and Friday February 20<sup>th</sup>:** School closed these two days for February midterm break.
- **Monday March 16<sup>th</sup>:** Parents Association Clothes Collection.

*Wishing you all a happy Bank Holiday weekend and thanks for your continued support.*

Gearóid Roughan

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# Grandparents' & Relatives Day

**Dear Grandparents & Relatives,**

You are invited to attend our mass to honour  
and celebrate our Grandparents.

**When: Wednesday February 18th**

**Time: 11am**

**Where: Toonagh Hall**

**Afterwards we will play some bingo and serve  
refreshments!**

*Parking will be provided in our school yard.*