

## SAFETY NOTICES:

- SUPERVISION STARTS AT 8:20AM
- CHILDREN EXIT FROM CARS ON PATH SIDE
- DROP AND GO IN THE MORNINGS
- BUS BAYS ARE FOR THE BUSES ONLY
- THE STAFF CAR PARK IS FOR STAFF CARS ONLY PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THIS AREA
- WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL - SOME STUDENTS HAVE SEVERE ALLERGIES TO NUTS

ANY SAFETY OR WELFARE CONCERNS CONTACT:

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# Principal's Weekly Bulletin

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## County Final Excitement

There is great excitement in school this week as the big final approaches on Sunday in O'Moore Park. In addition to the Senior Team, the Portarlington Minors are playing in their final and there is a half-time game between the Portarlington U9s and Portlaoise. Best of luck to all involved on Sunday, especially former students of Scoil Phádraig, current students of Scoil Phádraig and current staff members Dara Galvin (Portarlington) and Kieran Lillis (Portlaoise).

## Jersey Day

Today we had a Jersey Day and it was a great chance for us all to wear our club tops. Thank you for supporting this fun and worthwhile event.

## Admissions 2025

Our new Admissions Notice for September 2025 is published today. Please see it attached. The Admissions process will open next Friday **25th October** and close on the **15th November**. The new Admissions Form will be made available from Thursday 24th October.

## School Football

Our Division 1 team overcame Holy Family Portlaoise this week and are now into their final. Our Development Team has another game to play next week and have also had a very strong run in the competition.

## Maths Week 2024

We are gearing up for an enjoyable Maths Week next week. Lots of fun maths activities will be set up in the school gym and outdoors, to help promote maths and encourage the children to be more aware of how maths is used in everyday life. For more about Maths Week, please click on this [link](#).

## Credit Union Art Competition

Lots of students are working on their entries for the local Credit Union Art Competition.

## Sacrament Meetings

Wednesday 6th November 7pm Confirmation meeting for parents of boys & girls in Scoil Phádraig

Wednesday 13th November 7pm—First Communion

meeting for parents of boys & girls in Scoil Phádraig

## Team Hope Shoeboxes

Reminder—Christmas Shoeboxes are to be brought into the school from the 4th—7th November.

## Swimming

There are 2 more weeks of the Swimming Programme. Lots of boys have made excellent progress and it is great to see them gain more confidence in the water.

## Junior Cert Results

Congratulations to all our past pupils who received their Junior Results this week!

## Coláiste Íosagáin Open Night

Our local Secondary School is having its Open Night on **Thursday, 24th October at 6.30pm**. The night is for prospective students in 6th Class and their parents. Students in 5th Class might also like to visit the school with their parents.

## Midterm Break

Reminder—our midterm break is coming up soon. We will finish up on Friday 25th October (at the usual times) and re-open again on Monday, 4th November.