

School News...

Our Student Council Members



Our newly elected Student Council has already held its first meeting. The children have been given the task of coming up with ideas for Friendship Week, and we'll meet again next week to discuss their suggestions. With the help of their classmates, they've already shared some excellent ideas to help improve our school, and we're excited to see what they come up with next!



Cheering on Sarah Healy...

The whole school came together to watch Sarah Healy compete in the World Athletics Championships in Tokyo. Although Sarah placed 10th in her race, we are incredibly proud of her achievement. The children showed fantastic support, cheering her on with great enthusiasm!



3rd Class participate in Sharkfest!

Our 3rd Class pupils took part in Sharkfest at Kinsale Rugby Club last Friday. They had a fantastic time and really enjoyed getting a great introduction to tag rugby! Our 1st and 2nd Class pupils will attend next Friday, 26th September. Today was rescheduled due to the rain.

Some photos from the classrooms...





The staff out supporting Katie! Let's hope the secretaries and caretakers get the pension parity they deserve.



Open Day – Tuesday, 14th October at 7:00 PM

We are excited to announce that our Open Day will take place on Tuesday, 14th October at 7:00 PM.

All prospective and current parents are warmly invited to attend. This is a great opportunity to meet our staff, learn more about our school community, and see what makes our school special. Feel free to bring along family and friends. We look forward to welcoming you!

Connecting with other parents – Action Required

The Parents' Association is currently organising class WhatsApp groups. If you would like to be included, or if you wish to access your child's class list, please log

into your Aladdin app and update your privacy settings accordingly.

To be included, please ensure your details are updated by Friday, 26th September.

A helpful cheat sheet is attached to this notice to guide you through the process.

Beginning of Year Service

We had a lovely time at the church celebrating the start of the new school year with Reverend Eugene yesterday.

A special thank you to Mrs Buttimer's class, who acted out scenes from the readings, and to all the children for their wonderful singing. We were also delighted to have Lucille accompany one of the hymns on the piano.

Reverend Eugene shared a thoughtful message about the importance of asking for help and the gift of sharing knowledge—a lovely theme to carry with us into the year ahead.

Eco Week – Single-Use Plastic Free Lunches!

Next week is Eco Week, and we're encouraging all pupils to take part by bringing single-use plastic free lunches each day.

Let's work together to reduce waste and make more sustainable choices. Simple swaps like reusable containers, cloth napkins, and refillable bottles can make a big difference!

Thank you for supporting this important initiative.

School packed lunch

Children must bring a healthy lunch to school – no fizzy drinks, no sweets, no frubes, and no crisps allowed. We are a Plastic Free and Healthy Eating School, so we expect re-usable lunch boxes and drink bottles. No plastic straws. Children should bring water to drink – no juice/smoothie cartons please. Milk is available to order daily through the school.

We would appreciate your cooperation with all of the above in helping to maintain a healthy school environment.

Absences

If your child is unwell or unable to attend school, please record the reason for their absence using the Aladdin app. To be marked present for the day, a pupil must attend school for at least 2.5 hours. By law, the school is required to report any unexplained absences, frequent absences, or regular late arrivals to the Education Welfare Office, which may lead to further investigation.

Communication

News and upcoming events and all key information about school will be posted on our Aladdin app. Please check your Aladdin app regularly to keep up to date with school/class events. Information for the wider community will be shared on our school website. We are currently setting up an Instagram page and our Facebook page will eventually be linked. Our staff will share regular updates here once it is set up. We are no longer posting on 'X' or Twitter.

Katie is on leave

Katie, our school secretary is currently on leave until Monday, 29th September. If you have any queries or need to contact the school, please email me on: principal@stmultosens.ie

After School Club

We're delighted to let you know that our After School operates Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 1:30pm to 5:30pm.

If you would like more information or wish to book a place for your child, please contact the After School facilitator Ms Jayne O'Leary on 087 4610007.

Breakfast Club

Ms Sue O'Riordan, one of our fantastic in-house SNAs, facilitates Breakfast Club

every weekday morning from 8am. For more details and to reserve a spot, please get in touch by contacting her on: **087 8525798**.

Parents' Association

Every parent is already a member of the Parents' Association. We encourage all parents to be active members. It is a great opportunity to get to know the school community and to get involved in the life of the school. With your support, our staff and pupils can have amazing events, school supplies, and school trip opportunities.

Save the Date – Harvest Fair! **Saturday, 18th October**

Our Parents' Association is excited to host this year's Harvest Fair on Saturday, 18th October! This is always a fun and festive event for the whole school community — and all proceeds go directly to support our school.

 Please save the date!

How You Can Help:

We're kindly asking for donations of:

-  Homemade baking and home produce – e.g. tea brack, loaf cakes, apple tarts, jams, marmalades, or anything Halloween-themed!
-  Small traybakes or cookies – perfect for kids to buy and enjoy.
-  Old bags and boxes – for packaging and carrying purchases.
-  Books, toys, and teddies – clean and in good condition.

Calling All Young Entrepreneurs!

Stands are available for any budding business minds in our community! If your child would like to sell crafts, treats, or creations, now is the time to start planning.

Can You Lend a Hand?

We're also looking for volunteers to help with setup on the day. Many hands make light work!

Pumpkin Carving Competition

As part of the fun (and their homework that week), the children will take part in the Pumpkin Carving Competition! Get creative at home and your carved pumpkins will be displayed and judged at the Harvest Fair.

We can't wait to see all the spooky, silly, and spectacular creations on display!

Thank you for your continued support — we can't wait to celebrate together at the Harvest Fair!

Dates for your diary:

- Bandon Grammar Open Day – Saturday, 20th September 10am – 1pm.
- Harvest Service in Church – Sunday, 21st September at 11:30am.
- Kinsale Community School Open Day – Tuesday, 23rd September. Please see their website for more information.
- Celebrating International Day of Peace – Monday, 22nd September.
- Heritage Schools visit with Sonia Caldwell – 24th September.
- Diocesan Service in Bandon – Thursday 25th September.
- Heritage Schools visit with Anthony Galvin – Tuesday, 30th September.
- Open Day – Tuesday, 14th September from 7pm – 8:30pm.
- Friendship Week – 6th – 10th October.
- Parent Teacher Meetings Week – 13th – 17th October.
- Maths Week – 13th – 17th October.
- Harvest Fair – Saturday, 18th October.