

Urlingford NS Parent/Guardian Weekly Friday Email – Friday 13th of June 2025

Hi All,

Please read the following school updates/reminders

- Tommy O'Brien Cup Final

School Hurling Tommy O'Brien Cup Final vs Tullaroan NS takes place on Friday 13th of June at 5pm in Nowlan Park. Players are asked to arrive at 4.30pm to prepare for match. Group will train again on Monday 16th in advance of Shield Final and u11 semi vs winners of Castlecomer and Thomastown.

- Split the Pot Fundraiser

Urlingford Split the Pot Fundraiser for next three Sundays – Sundays 8th, 15th and 22nd of June will be in aid of Scoil an Chroí Ro Naofa Urlingford NS. All Support welcome.

- Booklists/Pupil Report Cards/ School Year Calendar and Explanation of Sten Page

Booklists, Pupil Reports, School Year Calendar 25/26 and Explanation of Sten Score Page will be communicated to all families on Aladdin before Monday 16th of June at 3pm.

- Schools Hot Meals Scheme

Preparatory work will be starting soon to install all necessary so as the pupils of our school will receive hot meals in the 25/26 school year. Fresh Today from Wexford has been selected as the Hot Meals Supplier for our school. In the 25/26 school year pupils will receive a hot meal at big break so families will need to ensure children have a healthy snack etc for little break. Fresh Today will communicate necessary usernames and passwords so as families can choose hot lunch to all families in advance of school year starting in September.

- 8th Green Flag

Well Done to Ms Rooney and our Green School Committee on achieving our schools 8th Green Flag. We aim to raise Green Flag on Friday 20th of June at 1pm.

- Heritage in Schools Visitor

A heritage in schools visitor will visit our school on Tuesday 24th of June to deliver a talk on our natural environment and organic farming to all classes.

- Cricket Coaching

Cricket Coach Bernard O'Meara will visit our school on Thursdays 12th, 19th and 26th of June. All classes will receive an opportunity to enjoy a Cricket experience.

- Brick Flicks STEM ART Lesson

5th Class will receive a visit from Brick Flicks team for an Art and Engineering Experience on Monday 16th of June.

- Pilates

A Pilates instructor will visit our school on Monday 16th of June for Well Being Week. All Classes will receive an opportunity to enjoy Pilates experience.

- Games Development Officer Visit

Kilkenny GAA Games Development Officer Nathan Culleton will visit our school for Hurling Coaching with 3rd class on Mondays 9th and 16th of June. 9 to 10am.

- Summer Uniform

During good Summer Weather conditions pupils can wear navy or blue shorts under school tracksuit or uniform at parents discretion. No red, yellow, pink, purple shorts etc please.

- Junior Infant Introduction Afternoon

New Junior Infants for 25/26 School Year will visit our school on Thursday 19th of June at 1.20pm. New Junior Infants will meet their Class Teacher for September. Mr Lonergan will meet new Junior Infant Parents in School Hall. Current Junior Infants will finish school at 12.30pm on Thursday 19th of June.

- Water Safety Speaker

Dillon Dooley Water Safety Speaker will visit all classes on Tuesday 17th of June.

- Notes for Absence

All families are asked to ensure Absences are explained on Aladdin App and to ensure to give a reason for absence.

- Homework

Last day for school written homework will be Thursday 12th of June. Class teachers may give some learning work at class teachers discretion.

- Friday Tests

All families are asked to sign their childs Friday Tests. Pupil should complete corrections in test copy if applicable.

- School Lunches

After consultation with pupils, parents and staff our school has decided to make efforts to try to transition to hot meals lunches for the 25/26 school year. More details to follow.

- Pre School Supervision

Pre School Supervision by designated school staff will be in operation between 8.45am and 9am. No pupils should be dropped off at school before 8.45am. Designated members of staff will be present at front and back of school to supervise pupils between 8.45 and 9am. Between 8.45am and 9am pupils should enter through school entrance gates promptly and make their way to their class line at the back of the school. For the first week Junior and Senior Infants can assemble at entry point closest to their classrooms where they will be met by Class Teachers.

- Up to date Contact details

All families are asked to ensure that our school has up to date mobile phone numbers and email addresses and up to date Home Addresses as necessary so as our school can communicate suitably with all Parents/Guardians. Contact details can be changed by using Aladdin app or by calling or emailing Mary in School Office. School phone number is 056 8831512. School email address is urlingfordns2020@gmail.com

- School Office Hours

School Office hours are between 8.30am and 12.30pm Monday to Friday during school year. Phone calls and emails to our school are recommended between 8.30am and 12.30pm Monday to Friday.

- Appointments Procedure

Any Parent/Guardian who is requesting to speak with a member of staff should do so through the school office. A convenient time which suits both staff member and Parent/Guardian will then be arranged.

- Allergies/Medication

We ask the families of any pupils with allergies or specific medical requirements to please inform school staff so as pupils can be catered for suitably in school.

- Work Experience Requests

Any past pupils of our school who would like to undertake T.Y., LCVP, SNA or Student Teacher work Experience in Urlingford N.S. are asked to email/post a letter to our school explaining why they would like to undertake work experience in an educational facility. The earlier we receive work experience requests the better. Our school receives a lot of work experience requests each year, early notice will better allow our school to provide a meaningful work experience slot to anyone interested in following education as a career choice.

- School Tour Dates

5th + 6th Class will visit Adventure World, Limerick University on Thursday 19th of June.

Price of Tour + Bus for 5th + 6th Class is e50.

School Tour Payments are now open on Aladdin.

- Bi Cinealta Policy

Draft Bi Cinealta Policy is attached below. Parents/Guardians can feel free to give feedback on Bi Cinealta Policy by emailing urlingfordns2020@gmail.com

- 6th Class Finish Date

6th Class will finish school on Thursday 26th of June at 12 Midday.

- New Junior Infants in September (Finish Time)

New Junior Infants starting in Ms Kirwins Junior Infant Class will finish at 12 Midday for the first 10 days to help with their transition in Primary School. New Junior Infants will finish at 12 Midday between Monday 1st of September and Friday 12th of September.

Kind Regards

Mr Lonergan

Principal

Urlingford NS