

Clooney National School

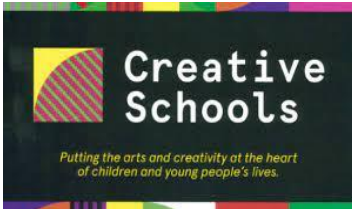


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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Creative Schools



Creativity is important to us here in Clooney NS. We are extremely excited to have been chosen to participate in the Creative Schools Programme for 2023/2024.

Creative Schools is a flagship initiative of the Creative School Programme to enable the creative potential of every child. The Creative Schools is led by the Arts Council in partnership with the Department of Education and the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media.

Creative Schools aims to provide the opportunity for children to experience creativity as an integral part of their education by building their artistic and creative skills in a collaborative, imaginative and inventive manner. As part of the Creative Schools Programme our school will be assigned a Creative Associate who will work closely with us here in Clooney. A Creative Associate is a creative practitioner with an understanding of the arts and creativity and its potential to transform the lives of children. A Creative Associate helps to identify potential areas for development and who supports and inspires a school to further enhance these areas.

Our overall goal in Clooney NS for the Creative Schools is to give students the opportunity to engage in fun creative workshops and to look at creativity in a new perspective. We look forward to working on this project over the next two years.

Building Works

The school heating system is currently being upgraded thanks to funding allocated from the Dept. of Education. Work is currently underway. The oil tank has been removed and pipework along with a base for the new gas tank has been laid in the corner of the school field by the ball wall. The affected yard surfaces as well as the front of the school will have new tarmac laid as part of the upgrade works. In the meantime, pupils in Ms. Lynch's and Ms. Minogue's classroom have been asked to bring in a pair of indoor shoes/slippers to school to wear in the classroom. We kindly request that the shoes/slippers have a back on them and are not sliders or flip flops. Thank you. It is hoped that the works will be completed in the coming weeks.

Sacraments



Confirmation 2024: Confirmation for pupils in 6th class takes place on Saturday 9th of March at 11am in Clooney Church and will be celebrated by Fr. Tom Ryan.

First Holy Communion 2024: Pupils in 2nd class will make their First Holy Communion on Saturday 27th of April at 11am Clooney Church and will be celebrated by Fr. Tom Ryan.



New Primary Mathematics Curriculum

Yesterday, the Minister for Education launched the New Primary Mathematics Curriculum which will be implemented in all primary schools from September 2024. Please see attached to this newsletter an information document from the Dept. of Education about the new mathematics curriculum.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me by email clooneyns@gmail.com or by phone (065 6835806) and I will get back to you as soon as possible.

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