



6th Class Staff

Rm 24 The Asters - Ms. Sharon Coyle
Rm 25: The Heathers - Ms. Gillian Corbally
Rm 32: The Lavenders - Ms. Caoimhe Cluxton
S.E.T : Mr. Brian Maher
SNA: Imelda Farrell

8:50am: Arrival time
2.30pm: Departure time
Notes for: absences, late arrival, wrong uniform, early leaving, no homework and non participation in PE
Reminder to check Aladdin each week for Thursday Note.



Tracksuit Days

Rm 24: Mon, Wed & Fri
Rm 25: Thurs & Fri
Rm 32: Mon, Wed & Fri

Homework in 6th Class

Homework in 6th class shouldn't take longer than **an hour**. We always expect children to make their **best effort** when completing homework and to **talk to the teachers** if they are having difficulty with it. Homework will sometimes be **project-based** with a usual completion time of one to two weeks.

A high standard of **presentation** (both written and oral) is expected of the children in 6th class along with more **personal responsibility** for homework and belongings.

Uniform

Please ensure that your child is wearing the full correct uniform, which includes tie and black shoes. Runners can be worn with tracksuit.

*In Scoil na Naomh Uilig we are all equal.
 We learn together, we play together, we pray and we grow together.*



Uile le Chéile



What's new in the 6th Class Curriculum?

Maths:

Fractions, Decimals, Percentages are very important in 6th class. These topics integrate with all other topics- money, length, weight etc. **Problem solving** becomes more complex in 6th class. We encourage children to practice them as much as possible.



Gaeilge

We try to make the learning of Gaeilge as fun and as interactive as possible in 6th Class through art, poetry, games, conversation and writing. We encourage the informal use of Gaeilge as much as possible in the classroom and at home in order to improve children's confidence and fluency with our national language.

We are using a new Irish scheme in SNU. The books are part of book rental. The children have dictionary copies for Irish where they record key words and phrases.

The children learn a verb each week. They need to learn the Aimsir Caite, Aimsir Láithreach and Aimsir Fháistineach.

RSE

Relationships and Sexuality Education will be completed in Term 3. A note will inform you of when it is being done. Please contact teachers for any questions you may have.

Word Study

Word Study is our new approach to spellings. We use Grammar 6 as a guide but classes explore how words are spelled rather than rote learning for a test. Dictation will mainly be used for assessment. A hardback copy is used to complete all Word Study activities.

Confirmation/ Graduation

Confirmation date to be confirmed by Parish Office. All queries regarding Confirmation should be directed to the Parish Office.



Literacy

As we are restricting the movement of books between school and home, we will be reading our **novels** in school. We will apply the **Guided Reading** strategies to our novels this year to continue improving reading **fluency** and **comprehension** in 6th Class.

We would encourage all children to reduce screen time and increase reading for pleasure at home, be it a novel or appropriate newspaper etc. Please spend some time each evening listening to your children **reading out loud** and engage them in conversation about their reading material.

Novels this year:

- Bridge to Terabithia
- Wonder
- Friend or Foe



★ Our class reward system ★

Classes are split into table groups. Each group has the opportunity to win points based on positive behaviour, a good attitude towards learning and organisational skills. The winning group at the end of each week gets to choose a reward, such as a homework pass.

We also choose one Star of the Week each week based on our Learning to Live together rules.



Learning to Live Together

Be on time and be prepared

Be Fair, Be Friendly

Talk in the right way at the right time

Sit when working, walk when moving

Always do your best

Restorative Questions

What happened?

What were you thinking of at the time:



What have you thought about it since?

Who has been affected and in what way?

How could things have been done

differently?

What do you think needs to happen next?

Our School Website

Check out our latest news on our school website, which is updated regularly with news, activities and photos.



The Thursday note is also available and updated on the website every week

Internet Safety

We use laptops weekly to carry out supervised, project-based research. We now have a set of 30 laptops.

Please ensure you know what your son/daughter is doing if on the internet when unsupervised. They legally are not old enough yet to have Facebook profile/Twitter/Snapchat account etc.

Check out webwise.ie for tips and advice.

Learning to Live Together - Yard

Be Fair, Be Friendly

Kind Hands, Kind Feet, Kind Words

We tell a teacher if there is a problem

We stay in our own yard

We always do what a teacher asks



Other information

- Confirmation date to be confirmed by Parish Office. All queries regarding Confirmation should be directed to the Parish Office.
- Secondary school enrolment forms are now available for all schools in the town-return to the relevant school ASAP
- Please see relevant secondary school websites for enrolment dates
- A 6th class passport (similar to a school report) will be provided to you at the end of the year, which will also be sent to your child's secondary school.
- Information will be shared with staff from secondary schools in May/June but it is parents' responsibility to ensure schools receive assessments/reports

Contact Us

Most contact will be via phone, email or Aladdin.

Face-to-face parent-teacher meetings will happen in November

Messages can be also given through the office or we can ring you after teaching times (2:30pm)

We look forward to a
great school year
2023-2024 in Scoil na
Naomh Uilig