



# Cushinstown NS Newsletter

## 28/08/2023



## Welcome back to school!

It is with great excitement and enthusiasm that I write my first newsletter as the principal in Cushinstown NS. I would firstly like to extend a thanks to the school community for the warm welcome I have received over the past year in Cushinstown. I look forward to getting to know more of you over the coming months and years. As principal I want to highlight I am here to try my very best to ensure every student and staff member in Cushinstown feels safe, happy and are given the opportunities to reach their potential. I want to ensure our school is seen as a center for excellence in the community and we as staff and parents have a responsibility to build this together.

I hope you all have had a fantastic summer and that the children are refreshed and ready to start a new school term. We are delighted to welcome a number of new staff on board for the coming school year. I have attached a list of the class allocations to this letter. I speak on behalf of the whole staff when I say we are all looking forward to meeting our new classes and having a great, fun filled year with you all.

School for all classes starts back at 9:20 on Thursday the 31<sup>st</sup> of August. Junior infants will finish at 12:30 each day until Friday the 8<sup>th</sup> of September. Looking forward to seeing everyone Thursday.

Damian

## Quick Notes

- School starts at 9:20 a.m and finishes at 3:00p.m
- Children are not allowed on school grounds before 9:10a.m
- We have a healthy eating policy here. Healthy lunches only please.
- There is a slight change to break times this year

Small break 11:00 -11:15

Big Break 1:00 – 1:25

- I will send on class teacher's email address in the next week as a point of contact. Please use this as a means of contacting teachers or to organise meetings.
- All books and copy books are provided by the school for the children this year.
- There will be charge of €50 per child for art supplies, photocopying, dabbledoo music subscription. This will also cover each child's insurance fee for the year. A link will be sent out in the coming days for payment of this.
- Don't forget to download and log into Aladdin app for correspondence with school
- Follow our twitter page CushinstownNS @cushinstown for updates

## Acknowledgements

- Best wishes and good luck in the coming months to Ms. Bracken, Ms Flynn and Ms. Hanton who will all be back with us in 2024.
- Hard luck to Rath/Cush GAA on their recent county final defeat. And best of luck to them in their football campaign.

# CLASS ALLOCATION FOR THE 2023/2024 SCHOOL YEAR

Juniors Infants: Clodagh Jackman

Senior Infants: Vanessa Lacey

1<sup>st</sup> Class: Nancy Quigley

2<sup>nd</sup> Class: Lauren Whelan

3<sup>rd</sup> Class: Jessica Dunphy

4<sup>th</sup> Class: Anne Breen + Michelle O' Leary (Job share)

5<sup>th</sup> Class: Cian Wadding

6<sup>th</sup> Class: Eddie McDonald

Sunroom: Mairead Sutton

SEN TEAM: Valerie Ryan, Marie McCormack, (Leona Finn + Kate Kneafsey job share)

SNA TEAM: (Anne Quigley + Miriam O' Shea job share), Emma Leacy, Dora Stafford, Pauline Murphy, Carol Stacey, Marina Byrne.

Principal: Damian Fitzgerald

Acting Deputy: Marie McCormack

# CUSHINSTOWN NATIONAL SCHOOL

## 2023 - 2024 School Calendar

August '23							September '23							October '23						
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February '24							March '24							April '24						
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May '24							June '24							July '24						
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- School Closed/ Holidays
- Confirmation/Communion (dates not confirmed)
- Half Day
- First and Last Day of School