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Gaelscoil na Mí

OPEN NIGHT Wed 17 January 7:30pm ALL WELCOME!

Our Gaelscoil Information for Parents www.gaelscoilnami.ie



Why choose Gaelscoil na Mí?



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Our School

What is a gaelscoil?

What makes our school different? Our school is a co-educational, Irish-medium, primary school. We provide diversity and choice to parents with a team of dedicated teaching and non-teaching staff. We are hugely proud of all our pupils and parents, past and present, whose commitment has nurtured us to where we are today.

A gaelscoil is a school where all communication and learning is through Irish. Students will leave the school being able to read, write and speak fluently in both English and Irish. The schools are fully State-funded. They follow the standard Department of Education curriculum and are subject to the same inspections as other State schools. Children leave at the end of 6th Class having benefitted from a full and varied curriculum with the added benefit of being bi-lingual.

Our pupils thrive in a positive, happy learning environment. They enjoy all the benefits of a diverse education and have many opportunities to explore digital learning from a very early age. Assessment scores in Irish, English and Maths are very impressive. Our immersion education model brings many extra benefits which you will not find in other school types. The immersion process is so successful that the youngest of our pupils, coming from English speaking families are speaking Irish effortlessly within their first year of enrolling.

FAQs

I don't speak Irish. How will I be able to help with homework?

96% of parents in our school have little or no Irish. The teachers understand this and homework is given with this in mind. Your child will be fluent in both Irish and English and will be able to ask you questions in either language.

Who can attend?

Our school is inclusive and open to everyone regardless of faith, ethnic background, language of the home or special educational needs. This is reflected in our enrolment policy. We would love to use our experience and expertise to give your child an excellent education.

What extra-curricular activities are available?

As a school, we actively encourage our students to pursue their talents outside of school hours. We currently have many talented musicians, artists and sports players attending our school. We also accomodate a number of extra-curricular activities in the school and plan on growing the choices available going forward.

Is this school suitable for children with special needs?

Yes. We cater for students with Special Educational Needs in both our Autism Class and mainstream classes. We provide the same supports available as other schools. All evidence shows that pupils with special needs do just as well in an Irish-medium setting as they do in the English-medium system. Total early immersion is recognised as the most successful model for children with special needs.

In Gaelscoil na Mí we believe in putting the happiness of our students first. That means passionate teachers providing a holistic education, a school that's welcoming of everyone and providing extra opportunities for our students - and we do all this with Irish culture as the common denominator.

Máirín Ní Chonaire, Príomhoide

Did you know Gaelscoil na Mí was the most represented school at the ESB science Blast? We believe that STEM education is very important and that students need to experience STEM both inside and outside the class – because if you can't see it, you can't be it!

Múinteoir Ellen

Michael is thriving in the Gaelscoil. I cannot believe how much Irish he has acquired since starting in the school. We don't speak Irish at home but homework hasn't been a problem at all. His teacher and the school are so helpful. We cannot recommend the school enough!

Liam, parent

Register Now

Visit our website to find out more about our school and register your child through the link on our homepage <u>www.gaelscoilnami.ie</u>

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