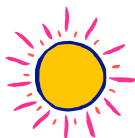


# MAYNOOTH BOYS' NATIONAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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## School of Screams – Tickets on Sale

Tickets are now on sale for our musical, **School of Screams** which takes place on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June in the hall at Maynooth Post Primary School.

Anticipation is rising and enthusiasm is close to hitting fever pitch as practices and rehearsals are becoming the order of the day. Author, producer and director, Mr. Davis is very much engrossed in preparation. There are those who say he is even becoming obsessed and may be changing into one of the strange characters from the musical! Watch this spot.

Meanwhile, Ms. Flynn is in charge of choreography and the boys are being put through moves they never thought were possible ..... well worth seeing!



The good news is that ticket prices have been reduced this year as follows:

<b>Adult:</b>	€8.00
<b>Child:</b>	€4.00
<b>Family:</b>	€22.00 (entry for 2 adults and up to 3 children)



We strongly recommend that you purchase your tickets as quickly as possible. With only 2 performances and strict limits on seating, we are likely to sell out. Don't say you weren't warned!

The box office will open each morning in the entrance lobby at 9 a.m. until 9.20 a.m. Tickets will also be available at the school office between 1.45 and 2.15 p.m. If you wish you may send in ticket money with your son in an envelope with his name, the day and type of tickets you wish to purchase marked clearly on the outside.

## School of Screams Logo

Congratulations to Wiktor Szotowski from Mr. McGeady's 5<sup>th</sup> class, who designed the logo for **School of Screams**. We ran a competition among the pupils to design the logo and Wiktor's entry was deemed a clear winner. The very talented Wiktor receives a book token from Maynooth Bookshop as artist of the winning logo.



## Booklists

Booklists have been distributed to all the boys. Please note that **all booklist orders must be returned to the class teacher by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June**. Orders received after this date cannot be processed. If you are purchasing the school books yourself, please remember that the booklist must be returned with payment for school requirements. If you have more than one child in the school, please send in separate payments in the relevant envelopes.



## Book Grant

A small grant towards the purchase of school books is available through the DES. If you feel your circumstances would entitle you to such support, please contact the school office for an application form. Completed forms (with documentary evidence) will be processed promptly and returned to you for attachment to your book list.

## School Reports

If you have not already returned a stamped addressed envelope to your son's teacher, (separate envelopes if you have children in different classes), can you please do so immediately in order that your son's end of year report can be forwarded to you.

***N.B. If a stamped addressed envelope is not received, the report can only be obtained in September by request.***

## 6<sup>th</sup> Class Graduation

6<sup>th</sup> class parents/guardians – don't forget Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June is Graduation Night. We will be having the traditional fun table quiz in the Post Primary School, commencing at 8pm. 6<sup>th</sup> Class parents/guardians will receive further details during the coming weeks.



## Special Olympics Ireland Bag

If you haven't already purchased your Special Olympics Ireland bag, you'll need to hurry. The supply we received is dwindling and we will not be able to get more this year. At just €2 they are great value and support a very worthwhile organisation.

## New Junior Infant Visit

We are looking forward to the 'Familiarisation Visit' of next year's Junior Infants on this Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> June. This year's Junior Infants are obliging by going home at 12.10pm on Friday to allow us to prepare the room and accommodate our visitors. While the boys are in the classrooms, their parents will have the opportunity to meet each other and to have tea/coffee and refreshments in the school hall courtesy of the Parents' Association.



## Footwear at School

In the interest of comfort and to facilitate play at breaktimes, we do not insist on shoes being worn to school. Runners/trainers are acceptable, but we request that they be a dark colour. As often times families have purchased white runners, these are permitted. However, we have clearly indicated that coloured runners are not permitted as part of the school uniform. These include: red,

orange, blue/navy, green, pink, yellow, etc. In recent weeks there has been some “slippage” as regards this aspect of the uniform code. We ask you to ensure that your son’s footwear is in compliance from now on.

## Lost Property

As the end of the year draws closer, we appeal that you ensure that your son is not missing any coats/jackets or uniform items. There is still a good deal of lost property awaiting collection. Anything not claimed by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June will be disposed of to charity.



## Sports Day 2011

Sports day was a huge success on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May. The weather was good – windy but dry – and the day was action-packed. The North Kildare Club again donated full use of their facilities for the senior classes. We are extremely grateful for this generous gesture every year. The boys certainly enjoyed the space and the facilities there. The ‘Bouncing Obstacle Course’ was a big hit for the junior classes at the school. Particular thanks to the staff, whose energy makes this day possible and especially to Mr. Creevey, whose co-ordination ensures the day goes without a hitch.

## Bike Week/COW Day

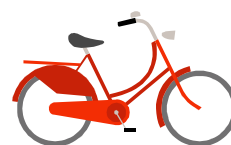
The Department of Transport National Bike Week runs from 18<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> June. Schools are participating from **Monday 20<sup>th</sup>-Friday 24<sup>th</sup>** with a special

**COW Day Cycle On**  
**Wednesday on Wednesday**

In conjunction with An Taisce Green Schools, we will be supporting Bike Week and COW Day. There will be bicycle activities at school and a Cycle Lotto for pupils who participate. We hope as many as possible will be involved during the week.

## Family Cycle

A family cycle event is being organised in conjunction with BIKE WEEK on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June. Those wishing to take part in a Family Cycle to Kilcock should assemble in the school playground at 2.30 p.m.



## Art Display



Our end of year Art Display will be held in the P.E. Hall on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> and Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June. The display will be open for viewing from 10am-3.30pm and from 6-8pm on the Thursday evening. Everyone is welcome as every child in the school from Junior Infants to 6<sup>th</sup> Class will work included in the display.

## Diary Dates

<b>Wed 15<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Junior Infant Tour – Lullymore	
<b>Thur 16<sup>th</sup> June</b>	5 <sup>th</sup> Class Tour – Clara Lara	
	Art Display	10-3.30 p.m. and 6-8 p.m.
<b>Fri 17<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Art Display	10-3.30 p.m.
<b>Fri 17<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Booklist deadline	
<b>20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Schools Bike Week	
<b>Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	Cycle on Wednesday	
<b>Fri 24<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Musical – School of Screams	8.00 p.m.
<b>Sat 25<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Musical – School of Screams	8.00 p.m.
<b>Tue 28<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Staff Student Soccer Match	2.00 p.m.
	6 <sup>th</sup> Class Graduation	8.00 p.m.
<b>Thurs 30<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Summer Holidays	School closes 12.00 p.m.

## Can You Help?

At last week's Parents' Association meeting, planning for activities during June was being organised. There are a number of events coming up this month where parent volunteers are needed. If you could make yourself available for one, or more, of these activities, it would help share the load and be hugely appreciated. Check out the list, tick when you would be available, fill in your details and send in to the school office. We will then contact you. It's as easy as that!

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Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> June	1.00 p.m. – 2.00 p.m.	New Junior Infants Class Visit (Refreshments for their parents)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> June	School Musical	(A variety of activities being	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sat 25 <sup>th</sup> June	School Musical	organised by parents)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tue 28 <sup>th</sup> June	(8pm)	6 <sup>th</sup> Class Graduation (Refreshments)	<input type="checkbox"/>

Volunteer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (M) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_