# MAYNOOTH BOYS' NATIONAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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# Halloween Dress Up

On this Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> October, we will be having a Halloween Dress Up Day. Instead of wearing their uniform to school, the boys may wear their Halloween outfits and there will be prizes for the 'best dressed' in each class. For the pleasure of not wearing their ask for a contribution of €2 per pupil (a maximum of €3 per family), towards school

uniforms, we ask for a contribution of €2 per pupil (a maximum of €3 per family), towards school funds.

# Please Return Book Rental Scheme Slips

Yesterday, every boy from Junior Infants to 5<sup>th</sup> class received a letter outlining the Book Rental Scheme being proposed for next year. If you have already read it, you will have seen the huge potential savings for families next year. It is really important that we receive a Feedback Slip for every pupil from Junior Infants to 5<sup>th</sup>.



If you haven't already done so, could you <u>please return the slip(s)</u> to your son's teacher(s) <u>on/before</u> this Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October.

#### **Hurling Final**

Our Under 11 Hurling team came through the preliminary competition to qualify for the Kildare Cumann na mBunscol Final against Naas, which was played yesterday evening at Moorefield, Newbridge. The first half was very tightly contested and Naas emerged slightly ahead at half time. Despite a tremendously gritty and determined performance by our boys in the second half, Naas edged ahead to take the match.

It was a wonderful achievement for our, relatively young team, to reach this final. Although they didn't win yesterday, their commitment, enthusiasm, skill and sheer determination left the Maynooth supporters feeling very proud of their team.

Speaking of supporters, we really appreciate the large number of parents, family, friends and Maynooth GAA club team mentors who turned up to support and encourage the boys, both yesterday and all during their campaign. Particular thanks also to team manager Mr. Fenton for all his interest in and work with the boys.



#### **Precious People**

Last week, all families received a flyer from 'Precious People' indicating their intention to initiate a Pre-School class, based at the school, for September 2013 and also outlining the proposed Parenting classes this autumn. If you are interested in either of these, could you please return the Expression of Interest form at the end of the letter, by this Friday 26th October to your son's teacher.

#### **Maynooth Community Games U-14 Quiz Competition**

A competition to select girls and boys to represent Maynooth at the Kildare County Final will take place in St. Mary's Boys' National School on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30p.m. Admission €2 per entrant.



## **School Transport Provision**

In selecting a post primary school it is important that parents of 6<sup>th</sup> class children be aware of eligibility criteria for post primary school transport provision. Please

note the following:

*Who is eligible?* Children who reside at lease 4.8 kilometres from and attending their nearest school are eligible for post primary school transport.

*How do I apply?* Online to your local Bus Éireann Office at <a href="www.buseireann.ie">www.buseireann.ie</a> *When do I apply?* Application Forms would be submitted before the last Friday in April (26<sup>th</sup> April 2013).

Where can I get more details on the Scheme? Full terms of the Post Primary School Transport Scheme are available at www.education.ie and www.buseireann.ie

### **Diary Dates**

Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> Oct – Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Mid Term Break School Closed
Tue 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	PTA Committee Meeting
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Confirmation Meeting, Glenroyal 7.30pm
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> Nov	NUIM Science Show 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> Classes
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Board of Management Meeting
Tue 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Confirmation Enrolment Ceremony 7.30pm
Tue 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> Classes National Concert Hall –
	Music in the Classroom Concert
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Parent Teacher Meetings
Thu 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Parent Teacher Meetings

