



Scoil Phobail Beal Atha h-Amhnais

BALLYHAUNIS COMMUNITY SCHOOL

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1st Year Enrolment 2021

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

I hope this letter finds you well in these extraordinary times. One of the few aspects of life the pandemic hasn't impacted upon is the passage of time and so we now find ourselves busily preparing for the next academic year. Unfortunately, we will not be in a position to host our annual Open Evening this year so we have decided to harness the powers of modern technology to give you all a flavour of life in Ballyhaunis Community School.

6th class students and their parent(s)/guardian(s) interested in enrolling at Ballyhaunis Community School for the academic year 2021/2022 are invited to view our school's virtual Open Day video which is available to view on our school website; www.ballyhauniscs.ie. We hope this video transmits the real sense of community that exists in our school. We take great pride in our students and as the video shows they are true ambassadors for our school. Through high standards in Teaching & Learning and the provision of a host of extra and co-curricular activities we are committed to the holistic development of all the students in our care.

If you wish your child to attend BCS next year are invited to complete the Enrolment Form and discuss and complete the subject choice form with your son/daughter. Both forms are to be returned to your primary school by **Thursday, Dec. 10th**. Forms will be collected from your primary school.

BOOK RENTAL SCHEME: The School runs a Book Rental Scheme that provides all of the students' books, workbooks, school journal and also includes the fee for the 1st year CAT 4 aptitude assessments. We recommend all in-coming 1st years participate in the scheme. The cost for the year is €150.

ADMINISTRATION FEE - The cost for the year is €50. This fee includes the student locker, school insurance and photocopying, text and postage fees.

All payments can be made through the Way2Pay online system. Notification of when the payment portal is open will be sent to you via text message over the coming weeks.

ADDITIONAL NEEDS: Any queries regarding students with additional needs should be addressed to Mrs. Olive Lyons & Ms. Colleen Hayes. They will be available to meet parents/guardians by appointment only. Parents/Guardians who wish to meet with any member of staff regarding an incoming student should phone the school office for an appointment. School Office Number is: 094 9630235

WHAT TO Return to your primary school:

- Completed Enrolment Form and Subject Choice Form
- Copies of any reports for students who have additional learning needs.

We very much look forward to meeting you in person once the public health advice allows us to do so. Until then please take care.

David McDonagh
Principal