

08/06/22

Dear Parent/Guardian,

EARLY CLOSURE

We wish to remind parents that, in order to facilitate Primary Language Curriculum Staff Training, school will finish for all pupils at **12.30pm** next **Wednesday 15th June**. School buses will operate accordingly.

CHANGE IN SCHOOL TIMES

As previously advised, the proposed change in school opening/closing times has been approved by the Board of Management. **Effective from the start of the 2022/23 school year, school will commence at 8.50am and finish at 2.30pm (1.30pm for Junior/Senior Infants).**

MASS FOR MRS. McCARTHY

As you may be aware, Mrs. Marie McCarthy is retiring from the school after many years teaching in Minane Bridge. To bid her 'farewell', a Mass will be held at the **Sacred Heart Church, Minane Bridge** on **Wednesday 22nd June**, at **11am**. Parents/guardians and families are invited to attend.

SCIATH NA SCOL CHAMPIONS!

Congratulations to our brilliant camogie team who claimed their first ever victory in a **Sciath na Scol Camogie Final** last Wednesday 1st June against Ballinspittle NS! There was great excitement that morning as the team, accompanied by supporting staff and pupils, boarded the buses to travel to the game in Pairc Ui Rinn. It was an exciting match with both teams playing exceptionally well. However, under the guidance of the team's coaches, Minane Bridge proved too strong and eventually won the match by 7 points. The final score was 3-04 to 0-02. We would like to thank everyone who travelled to Pairc Ui Rinn to support our team! Photos can be viewed on the school's Instagram page: [@minanebridgens](https://www.instagram.com/minanebridgens)

SCHOOL SPORTS/FUN DAY

The Knocknamanagh School Sports / Fun Day was held on Friday 20th May. Thankfully, the weather was pleasant and the children thoroughly enjoyed the many activities which had been planned for them. A big 'thank you' to the Parents' Association for organising the ice-cream van. We would also like to acknowledge with thanks **PET ESSENTIALS, Carrigaline**, who kindly sponsored all the medals.

CORK PRIMARY SCHOOL SPORTS 2022

We would like to congratulate all the athletes who represented Knocknamanagh NS at the Cork City Sports on Friday 3rd June. The children performed very well and were a credit to our school. We are very grateful to Ms. Bennett for co-ordinating this event. Photos may be viewed on the school website: www.minanebridgens.com.

SCHOOL TOUR

The school tour for 6th Class took place in Oysterhaven on Wednesday 24th May and everyone had a great day. School tours for **1st/2nd/3rd/4th/5th classes** will take place on **Thursday 16th June**. The school tour for **Junior/Senior Infants** will take place on **Monday 20th June**. Notes outlining details of same have been distributed to families. We would like to thank the Parents' Association for subsidising the school tours once again this year.

SIXTH CLASS MASS

There will be an end of term Mass for Sixth Class pupils on **Friday, 17th June**, at **10am**, in the **Sacred Heart Church, Minane Bridge**. Parents/guardians are very welcome to attend. We would also like to invite parents of 6th class pupils to the school afterwards for a short presentation and some refreshments.

SCHOOL REPORTS

In order to facilitate postage of pupils' *End of Year School Reports*, we request that parents/guardians return a *Stamped Addressed Envelope* to the school no later than **Friday 10th June**.

Yours faithfully,
Con O'Callaghan
Principal