



Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 21 st January	Grandparents' Day
Monday 2 nd February	St. Brigid's Day, School Closed
Friday 13 th February	Teacher Training, School Closed
Thursday 19 th & Friday 20 th February:	School closed, mid-term
Saturday 28 th February:	Confirmation

Enrolment

Enrolment forms for next year's Junior Infants are now available from the school office, phone 9374136 or email stpatsboyscarn@gmail.com. Alternatively, you may call into the office to collect a form. Forms are available on our website www.carnboysschool.ie. The form should be printed and signed and returned to the school. We would be delighted to welcome your child to Scoil Naomh Pádraig.

We also welcome applications for our Autism Class. Please contact the school for advice on the application process for this.

Please feel free to visit the school to meet with principal and see our facilities (appointment should be made through the school office).

Catholic Schools Week

Catholic Schools Week runs from Sunday 18th to Saturday 24th January. We will celebrate this important week with many activities in the school.

Grandparents' Day

Grandparents' Day is on Wednesday 21st January. This is run as part of Catholic Schools Week. Grandparents from Junior Infants, Senior Infants and First Class are invited in at 11:30am to 12:15pm and grandparents from Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth & Sixth Classes are invited from 1:30 to 2:30 pm. Some children may not have grandparents available so please note that everyone is most welcome. This is a very informal occasion.

Carndonagh CS Open Night

Pupils from 6th class are invited to attend an Open Night in Carndonagh Community School on Tuesday 20th January. Separate information has gone out to these families

Confirmation

The sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated for children from the Scoil Naomh Pádraig and Scoil Chroi Naofa on Saturday 28th February at 1:00 pm in Sacred Heart Church. We wish God's blessing on all the children on this special occasion.

Lunches

Children have reported that they are very happy with the current lunch provision. However, many senior children are swapping lunches. Please make sure that your child has the lunch that he/she prefers. Our lunch providers may be contacted at <https://healtyhlunch.ie>

Vex Robotics

Members of the robotics team will represent the school at the North-West VEX IQ regional competition being held at ATU Letterkenny on Friday 16th January. This is the largest Robotics competition in Ireland in 2026 with 32 teams competing and over 300 games running on the day. Our design and engineering team of Pádraig Crossan and Connor McLaughlin (4th class) have been working very hard building, modifying and perfecting their robot. This year's competition game is called Mix and Match. All the boys are looking forward to the day; it is a very exciting and fast paced competition.

Parents/Guardians Evening for Junior Infants

The parents/guardians of our Junior Infants will be invited to meet with the class teacher in the coming weeks, as they did not meet the teacher in November. Separate information will be issued about this.

HSCL:

Home Visits: Home visits continue to be an integral part of my role, taking up approximately 30% of my time. Home Visits allow the parents an opportunity to have a chat about how they and their child are settling into school life. Many parents and children have been made aware of and have joined groups as a result of these Home Visits. I fully understand that Home Visits do not suit all of our parents but please feel free to contact me at any time on the HSCL number.

Yoga class: Six-week Yoga Class starting on Tuesday 13th January at 10:00 am. Contact me 0862383847 to book a place. Places are limited.

Suggestions: if you have ideas/suggestions for courses you would like me to run, please let me know.

Enrolments/preschools: I will visit all the local pre-schools in the coming weeks with application forms for enrolment for September 2026.

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Sport

Soccer: The boys played their last six-a-side match against Scoil Naomh Brid, Muff on Tuesday 13th January in the grounds of Carndonagh CS. They had two victories and one defeat. Goal scorers were: Jay McDaid (2), Daniel Kelly (3), Finneen Clifton (1), Edward Doherty (1), Ruairi O'Brien Cooper, Aodhan Jackson (2), John Jay Moore, Harry Ward and Shayne Campbell. The 11-a-side cup matches will begin in February.

Active Play: Cathal Doherty is currently doing fundamental skills with Junior and Senior Infants.

Anne McLaughlin, Principal.