

### Sponsored Walk

Children are bringing home sponsored walk cards. We appreciate any support you can give to the school. Please return all cards on or before the day of the sponsored walk.

We are looking for volunteers to assist with supervising the annual sponsored walk on 12th June at 11am. 1st-6th classes will walk to the forest while juniors, seniors and Seomra Síolóige will do laps of the field.

### Upcoming School Tours

Junior & Senior 26th May

1st class 9th June

2nd class 10th June

3rd/4th class 17th June

5th/6th class 18th June

Seomra Síolóige 23rd June

Pupils are looking forward to their school tours!

Please use the epayment tab on Aladdin to pay if you have not already done so.

### Sensory Garden

The Sensory Garden project is coming along great. We want to thank all of the families that have volunteered their time, and donated items for the garden so far. Thank you to the boys and girls in Mr. Nolan's class for recently painting the fence around the garden. We hope to fully finish the garden in the coming weeks and need the continued support and help from the parents to get it finished.

### Important Dates

Midterm 1st -5th June inclusive

6th class Graduation Mass 12th June @ 10am  
(All are welcome)

Sponsored Walk 12th June @ 11am

School Reports home 15th June

Active Week 15th - 19th June

Wellbeing Week 8th - 12th June

6th class last day 19th June

Summer holidays 26th June @ midday



### Hurling Blitz

Twenty four pupils from third and fourth class attended a hurling blitz in Wexford Park on Wednesday the 20th of May. Both teams were excellent and won both of their matches on the day. Well done to all.

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*June 2026*

### **School website**

Our school website Please log on to <https://www.ballaghkeenens.ie> to keep up to date with school events. Newsletters are available there also.

### **First Holy Communion**

Well done to the boys and girls of second class who recently received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. Thank you to Ms L. Sinnott for preparing them and to Fr. Doyle for officiating the ceremony. Well done to the choir on their beautiful singing and many thanks to Ms. O'Toole and Mr. Murphy for all of their work practising with them.

### **Attendance**

Please remember that attendance each day is vital for your child's sustained relationship with their peers, their sense of inclusion and of course, to reach their academic potential.

### **Morning Supervision**

Please be mindful that there is no supervision before 8:50am each morning. Children who arrive before that time will be unsupervised.

### **The Mobile library**

The mobile library has requested that all books be returned to them by 12th June. Can pupils from 2nd-6th make sure their books are returned by that date at the latest.

### **Green Schools Committee**

The Green Schools committee are doing a great job at the daily monitoring of the energy usage in the school. Hopefully between the hard work of the committee and our newly installed Solar Panels we will start to reap the benefits. We encourage children to cycle or scoot to school and use our bike shed at the side of the school. Remember to always wear a helmet and use road safety rules.

### **School Uniform**

Children are permitted to wear knee length shorts for the last term, when the weather is fine.

### **Equine Therapy**

Children from Seomra Síolóige and Junior Infants - 2nd class have been attending equine therapy sessions in school. It has been a great success. Many thanks to Ms. Wright for organising.

### **Summer Programme**

The summer programme will take place over two weeks from 29th June to 10th July 2026 in the school. Parents of eligible pupils have been contacted by Ms. Wright. If you have any queries in relation to this, please email [aine.wright@ballaghkeenens.ie](mailto:aine.wright@ballaghkeenens.ie)

### **Homework club**

For the month of June, classes will have oral homework only. Therefore, there will be no homework club for the remainder of the year.

### **Incoming Junior Infants.**

The open night for incoming infants is 10th June at 7pm.

### **Mini 7s:**

Well done to the mini 7s camogie who played brilliantly and got through to the second round of competition, but unfortunately didn't progress beyond that. Best of luck to Ciara O'Sullivan who was chosen to represent Oulart-The Ballagh schools on one of the Wexford District teams.

### **Hurling 365**

Hurling 365 continues for boys and girls on Wednesdays from 8:10 a.m. to 8:50 a.m. This is a great opportunity for younger pupils to come along and learn the basic skills of camogie and hurling. This is also very beneficial for their gross motor development and hand-eye coordination. All new pupils are welcome to join. If you are interested in getting involved as a coach or a helper, please contact our coordinator Keira Kinahan Murphy on 087 3819879.

### **Active school**

Active Week 2026 will take place from Monday 15th to 19th of June. We will have our annual Sports Day, 6th class Vs Staff game and lots of more fun activities throughout the week. More details to follow on activities in June.

### **Wellbeing Committee**

Wellbeing Week 2026 will take place from 8th to 12th June. Lots of fun and well-being-focused activities are planned. Wellbeing homework will also be sent home via Aladdin for pupils and their families to participate in. A huge thank you to Seán Óg Flanagan from Flanagan's XL The Ballagh for donating treats for the pupils to enjoy during the week.