

ARTS EDUCATION

- ▶ Our dedicated staff promote all aspects of the Arts Curriculum (Music/Drama/Art) in their classrooms.
- ▶ Participation in Creative Arts School Programme and Creative Clusters.
- ▶ Participation and success in local, regional and national art competitions.
- ▶ Strong tradition of choral singing with participation in the National Children's Choir.
- ▶ Much lauded school bands.
- ▶ Participants in many local workshops and exhibitions.



- ▶ Large assembly halls with lighting and sound systems with vibrant school productions.
- ▶ Many successes arising from participation in Féile Scoil Drámaíochta/Scór na bPáistí, provincially and nationally.
- ▶ Participation in MusicGen Ukulele and Ceol na n-Óg projects.
- ▶ Participation in Teacher Artist Programmes.
- ▶ Extra-Curricular Arts classes offered to children after school e.g. Dance.
- ▶ Emphasis on debating & public speaking.

SPORT

- ▶ Active School Flag participant.
- ▶ Daily Mile & Marathon Kids Initiatives.
- ▶ Children engage in a wide variety of PE lessons and activities.
- ▶ Running tracks on both campuses.
- ▶ In-school basketball, football, badminton & table tennis leagues.
- ▶ Swimming classes in the local pool.
- ▶ Tennis Lessons for senior classes.
- ▶ Hurling/Camogie coaching in school.
- ▶ Rugby Training in school.
- ▶ Orienteering & Cross Country Running.
- ▶ Cycle Safety for senior classes.
- ▶ After-school sports.
- ▶ Participation in Cumann na mBunscol, FAI Schools Soccer, Cross Country and Athletics.
- ▶ Participation in Spikeball lessons.
- ▶ Preparation for and involvement in local Rounders events.
- ▶ Annual Sports Days with an emphasis on participation and fun.
- ▶ Strong success in county, regional and national competitions.
- ▶ Chess Clubs with involvement in inter-schools programmes.



PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

We are greatly indebted to our very active Parents' Association, who assist us in all areas of school life. They help in the running of special events at school, fundraise to support the provision of extra resources, advise on school policies and provide an invaluable link between parents and school. A strong partnership exists between parents and school to enhance the daily lives of all students.



PRESCHOOL & AFTERSCHOOL

PRE-SCHOOL / ECCE PLACES AVAILABLE FOR SEPTEMBER.

IMAGINATION STATION - THE LAWN CAMPUS:

Sinead 087 252 8434 or email sineadimagination@gmail.com
After School runs from 1.40pm to 6pm.

CURIOUS MINDS - CHAPEL STREET CAMPUS:

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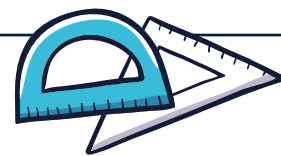
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Castlebar Primary School, a co-educational amalgamation of the two longest-established schools in the town, St. Angela's N.S. and St. Patrick's B.N.S. opened its doors to 800 plus pupils in September 2022. The Junior Campus at The Lawn (F23YD79) caters for Junior Infants to 2nd Class and the Senior Campus at Chapel Street (F23K389) caters for 3rd to 6th Class. Both former schools contributed to the educational and social fabric of the town for well over a hundred years with the Sisters of Mercy having founded St. Angela's in 1854 and soon afterwards the De La Salle brothers founding St. Patrick's in 1888. This new chapter presents wonderful opportunities for pupils, their parents and staff alike and has enabled the bringing together in one school the best traditions, cultures, facilities and expertise of the two former schools.

The school aims to further develop existing facilities such as: pre & after schools, playing fields, running tracks, extensive play areas, sensory rooms, assembly halls and state-of-the-art ICT resources. A highly-skilled and professional staff ensure the progression of many great initiatives including Creative Schools, Digital Schools of Excellence, Active Schools, National Children's Choir and many other extra-curricular opportunities which have long been synonymous with St Angela's and St Patrick's. The promotion of activities such as Music, Art, Drama, Dance, Sport, Public Speaking and Chess continue to be central to the new school. Castlebar Primary School has a Catholic ethos offering a big 'Céad Míle Fáilte' or warm welcome to children of all faiths and none. High educational standards with a focus on the care and wellbeing of all pupils and staff are the hallmarks of our school.

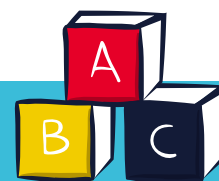




TEACHING & LEARNING

- ▶ Our school achieves high standards in literacy and numeracy.
- ▶ A varied approach to different teaching and learning with an emphasis on the development of skills as well as content.
- ▶ Highly-skilled and committed staff with a very strong work ethic.
- ▶ A great emphasis on developing strong positive parental involvement.
- ▶ Strong promotion of Gaeilge through language, music, dance, song, literature, drama and fun.
- ▶ Reading Recovery Programme.
- ▶ Focus on the Aistear programme (learning through play) in the infant classes.
- ▶ Excellent participation record in local and national projects, initiatives and competitions.
- ▶ Strong culture of participating in sporting events locally and provincially.
- ▶ Strong tradition of supporting children with special educational needs.
- ▶ Speech and Language Special Class in partnership with the H.S.E.
- ▶ Autism Special Class.
- ▶ Both campuses have sensory rooms and are developing sensory gardens.
- ▶ Participation in the Youth Academy at NUIG, for children with strong academic achievement.
- ▶ Participation in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) initiatives e.g. Bebras.
- ▶ Focus on the importance of developing a love for reading, literature and public speaking.
- ▶ Well-resourced ICT facilities including iPads, beebots, interactive whiteboards, LegoWeDo, Micro:bits, Prowise interactive whiteboards etc.
- ▶ Clearly-structured approach to blended learning (Seesaw/Zoom/Google Workspace etc.)

HOLISTIC DEVELOPMENT OF OUR PUPILS



- ▶ A caring atmosphere with an emphasis on the development of interpersonal skills of respect, empathy, inclusion and friendship.
- ▶ A culture of strong environmental awareness and appreciation - celebrated history of involvement in Green Schools' Programme.
- ▶ An ethos of supporting local community events and initiatives - St. Patrick's Day parade, musical performances and recitals, liturgical services, storytelling events, sports, trips to the library/Linenhall Arts Centre etc.
- ▶ Our own community based events including our Wizard Walk & card games.
- ▶ Healthy Eating and physical activity actively encouraged including involvement in Food Dudes and Incredible Edibles programmes.
- ▶ Promotion of the involvement and voice of the pupils.
- ▶ Fostering an awareness and a culture of assisting people in need.
- ▶ Incredible Years & Friends for Life programmes.
- ▶ Sacramental preparation for Holy Communion and Confirmation.
- ▶ Provision of extra curricular activities e.g. Dance, Football etc.
- ▶ Successes in Credit Union & Cumann na mBunscol Quizzes
- ▶ An Active School Flag participant.
- ▶ A Green Flag school.
- ▶ A Creative Arts school & Creative Cluster School.
- ▶ A Digital School of Distinction & Participation in Schools Excellence Fund - Digital Cluster.
- ▶ Experience in Erasmus programmes.
- ▶ A MusicGen Ceol na n-Óg School & Céilí Ukulele School.

