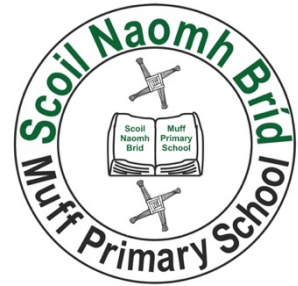


Scoil Naomh Bríd

Our School Improvement Plan

2018-2021



Target 1

- To increase the level of enjoyment reported by pupils in speaking Irish in all classes by at least 10 percentage points.

Actions for Target 1

1. Teachers will build a bank of oral language poems and songs. One song or poem will be explicitly taught per month and children will be able to recite this.
2. One playground game (perhaps from CLIL resource Spréag an Ghaeilge) will be explicitly taught each term. This may be taught initially as part of the Irish lesson and then can be incorporated into a PE lesson.
3. To incorporate pre-taught language and phrases and Gaeilge neamhfhoirmiúil in the role play area of Aistear of suitable times of the year, mar shampla: Téama: Ag Siopadóireacht, rol-imirt – An Siopa Gaeilge.
4. To encourage, promote and reward the use of Gaeilge neamhfhoirmiúil i gclós na scoile (e.g. class rewards or school token economy reward system.)

Target 2

- To increase the level of confidence reported by pupils in speaking Irish in senior classes by at least 10 percentage points.

Actions for Target 2

1. To showcase and promote the teaching and learning of teanga ó bhéal in the school, parents will be invited to events such as a termly music session and to other occasions to hear their children perform Irish songs, poems, rhymes and dramas.
2. Teachers will continue to use cluichí teanga starting with 'Ping-Pong' verb game to promote use of sentence structure and to ensure engagement involves 'every teacher, every class, every day.'
3. Teachers will begin the practice of Gaeilge neamhfhoirmiúil every day.
4. Teachers will use a whole-school approach to the teaching of Gaeilge neamhfhoirmiúil and 'Feidhmeanna Teanga' with a structured approach to the teaching of this language. Children will have the opportunity to actively engaged in teanga ó bhéal, expand social experiences and to use pre-taught language during this time.

5. Exemplars of language for Gaeilge neamhfhoirmiúil, as well as pre-taught songs and poems will be sent home as oral language homework.

Target 3

- To increase teachers' pedagogical knowledge and skills in the methodologies for teanga ó bhéal.

Actions for Target 2

1. The school will develop, source and purchase reading material and texts in Gaeilge to ensure that there is sufficient amounts of levelled books and texts. These texts will be used during station teaching.
2. Extend, from one to three classes, the use of station teaching in Irish as an approach to teaching oral language and reading.
3. All staff will engage with the 'Cur Chuige Cumarsáide' as the approach to teaching new vocabulary, phrases and language.
4. Teachers will explore exemplars of language for Gaeilge neamhfhoirmiúil and feidhmeanna teanga at their class level. This will be carried out during the PLC/SSE school closure in 2018/2019.
5. Teachers will consult the PLC learning outcomes and support material as a guide. Teachers will read relevant support material on the Primary Language Curriculum website:
www.curriculumonline.ie