



Portumna Community School Academic Calendar

2023/2024

AUGUST/SEPTEMBER		CP
Summer Provision Programme	August 4 th , Tuesday August 8 th to Friday 11 th , Monday August 14 th to Friday August 18 th	
FOOD VILLAGE Online Parents' Information Session	August 21 st at 7pm-ONLINE	
1 st Years Book collection and Orientation (MSO/lockers)	Tuesday 22 nd August (10am-12pm)	
5 th Years Book Collection	Tuesday 22 nd August (12.30-2.30pm)	
BOM meeting	Wednesday August 23 rd @ 7pm Further BOM meetings TBC	
AP1 Meeting and New teacher Induction	Wednesday August 23 rd (10am-12pm-AP1) (12.20-1.20-Teacher Induction)	
Staff Professional Development and Subject/Team Planning	Thursday 24 th August-6 hours Croke Park	6
Staff Planning Day & Staff Wellbeing Activity	Friday 25 th August-4 hours Croke Park	4
Leaving Cert Results	Friday August 25 th (10am -12 pm)	
ALL YEAR GROUP ASSEMBLIES 1	Week of August 28 th Theme: Welcome/YH Expectations/Focus for the Yr*/COB (*Academic Director 2 nd /3 rd /5 th)	
1 st Year Students Commencing PCS	Monday 28 th August (Induction Day/Cairde) 9am-4pm	
3 rd year/6 th year students returning & 1 st years	Tuesday 29 th August	
All STUDENTS in school	Wednesday 30 th August	
Country Photos	Monday 4 th September	
SSF Meeting #1	(4 th - 8 th) September 2023	
TY trip tp Delphi	September 13 th and 14 th of September 2023	
6th year Assembly with Academic Director/YH	September 13 th	
TY & Current 1 st Year Information Evening (Input from Academic Director/Guidance Counsellor (1 st years only))	Monday September 11 th at 7pm	
Literacy Week/Well Read	11 th -15 th 2023 (Scholastic Book Fair)	
Shorelines Arts Festival	14 th -17 th September	



Opening School Mass	Friday September 15 th -10am (Parish Church)	
STAFF MEETING 1	Tuesday September 19 th 4.15-6.15 (school closed at 3:45pm)	1
World Skills Exhibition, Croke park	20 th - 22 nd September	
National School Blitz Galway Coaching & Games	Thursday, 21 st September	
4 week tasters for 1 st years conclude	Thursday, 21 st September	
Staff in-service with Dr. Joe O'Connell only exam years attend on this day for study skills/social development (No school for TY/1 st /2 nd /LCA5)	Friday September 22 nd	
SCHOOL CLOSED (Flexi Day)	Monday, September 25 th	
Visit to Primary Schools Commence	Start Tuesday, 26 th September	
Student Council Elections	Tuesday, 26 th September	
1 st Year Trip to Scariff Outdoor Education Centre	Wednesday September 27 th	
Parents Association AGM	September 28th at 7pm	
OCTOBER		
Junior Cycle Geography Field Trip	Thursday, 5 th October	
Friendship Week	October 9 th -13th 2023	
ALL YEAR GROUP ASSEMBLIES 2	Week of October 9 th Theme: Anti Bullying/Study (Input from Academic Director-1 st years) (Week 10s)	
Maths Week	October 16 th – October 24 th	
Open Night	Thursday October 19 th , 2023 – 7.00 p.m.	4
5-hour mock LC exam Art Exam (2 hours in school/3 hours out of school)	Friday, October 20 th 1.15pm-4.15pm	
Week 10 Assessments	October 20 th - October 27 th , 2023	
JCT Cluster-School Closed	Day 24 th October 2023	
TY Work Experience 1	23 rd –27 th October 2023	
Mid Term Break	Monday October 30 th -Friday November 3 rd , 2023, Inclusive	
NOVEMBER		
CAT 4 Level G 3rd Years	8th November 2023	
5 th & 6 th Art Trip to Dublin	November 9 th	



Science Week	November 13 th to November 17 th	
Academic Director Assembly-6 th years	Monday 13 th November	
6 th Year Parent/Teacher Meeting	Tuesday 14 th November 4.15-6.45 (school closed at 3:45pm)	
College Awareness Week	November 20 th - 24 th 2024	
3rd Year Parent/Teacher Meeting	Wednesday 29 th Nov-3 hours 4.15-6.45 (school closed at 3:45pm)	
DECEMBER		
TY Trip to Galway Markets	Wednesday December 6 th	
5 th Year Retreat	Thursday, December 14 th	
SSF Meeting #2	December 11 th - 15 th	
6 th Year Parents Information Evening- Education & Training Options/CAO	Tuesday December 12 th at 7 pm	
Whole School JCT Day-School Closed	Monday, December 18 th	
Breast Cancer Ireland/Galway Hospice Fundraiser	Thursday, December 21 st	
2 nd year SOAR Workshop	Thursday, December 21 st , 10-1 (2pm-4pm Chaplain Activity/Walk)	
Prefect End of Term Activity	December 22 nd	
Christmas Holidays	December 25 th – January 5 th Inclusive	
JANUARY 2024		
Return to school	Monday, January 8 th , 2024	
BT Young Scientist & Technology Exhibition	10 th -13 th January 2024	
ALL Year Group Assemblies 3	Week of January 15 th Academic Focus-Target Setting Mocks/Week 20's (5 th & 6 th years only input from Academic Director)	
Parent/Teacher Meeting 2nd Year	Thursday January 18 th 4.15 p.m. to 6.45 p.m. (school closed at 3:45pm)	
Staff Meeting (2)	Wednesday January 24 th 4.15 pm-6.15 pm - 2 hours (school closed at 3:45pm)	1



FEBRUARY 2024		
St. Bridget's Day Bank Holiday	Monday February 5 th	
Meeting for Parents/Guardians of 3 rd and TY students – Senior Cycle Options (Input from Academic Director & Guidance)	Tuesday 6 th Feb 7 p.m.	
Mock Exams & 5 th Year Week 20s	Commence January 29 th	
TY Work Exp 2	January 29 th – 2 nd February	
5 th Year Ski Trip	February 3 rd to February 10 th	
1 st /2 nd /LCA5 Week 20s Commence	Commence week of Feb 5 th	
TY Work Exp 3 Community Engagement	5 th –9 th February 2024	
LCVP/5 th Year Work Experience (if attending ski trip-complete work exp over the midterm)	Feb 5 th to Feb 9 th , 2024	
Mid Term Break	Monday February 12 th – Friday February 16 th Inclusive	
Parent/Teacher Meeting 5 th Year & TY	Thursday Feb 29 th 4.15pm-6.45pm (school closed at 3:45pm)	3
MARCH 2024		
Closing Date for LCVP Portfolio	Friday March 1 st	
Seachtain na Gaelige	March 4 th – 8 th 2024	
Parent/Teacher Meeting 1 st Year	Wednesday March 6 th -4.15-6.45 (school closed at 3:45pm)	3
World Book Day	Thursday, March 7 th	
Closing Date for Leaving Certificate Engineering Project	Friday, March 8 th	
Creative Schools Week	March 11 th –15 th 2024	
St Patrick's Bank Holiday-School Closed	Monday March 18 th	
Active School Week	19 th – 22 nd of March 2024	
Easter Holidays	Monday March 25 th – Friday April 5 th , 2024, inclusive	
APRIL 2024		
TY School Tour-Easter Holidays	2 nd April-5 th April 2024 (Tuesday-Friday) <i>Dates TBC</i>	
3 rd year School Tour, Wildlands Moycullen	Thursday, 25 th of April	
MAY 2024		
LCVP State Exam	Wednesday, May 1 st	



Parents Association Fundraiser	Sunday May 5 th	
May Bank Holiday School Closed	Monday May 6 th	
Europe Day	9 th May EUPASS	
TY Musical	May 9 th and 11 th (Matinee Thursday 9 th and Friday 10 th) Evening Shows Thursday 9 th and Saturday 11 th)	
Staff Meeting 3	Thursday May 2 nd - 4.15 pm- 6.15 pm – 2 hours (school closed at 3:45pm)	1
All Year Group Assemblies	Week of May 7 th (EOY Arrangements/Reflection/SEC)	
TY Trip to Aran Islands	Wednesday May 15 th	
Awards and Student Recognition Ceremony	Thursday May 16 th @11.20am-Gym	
TY Celebration	Thursday, May 16 th at 2.40 Gym	
LC Grad Mass	Friday, May 17 th @7.30 pm	
Study for 6 th Year students	Monday May 20 th – May 31 st	
SSF Meeting #3	20 th – 24 th May	
Week 30 Assessments	May 23 rd – May 29 th	
5 th Year End of Year Trip	May 30 th	
2 nd Year End of Year Trip	May 30 th	
LCA Trip TBC	May 29 th & 30 th	
Last day of term-Summer Holidays	Friday 31 st of May	
JUNE		
State Exams Commence	Wednesday June 5 th	

NOTES:

- Contingency Arrangements are required where the school may remain open during Easter holidays
- CBA/SEC Calendar
- Not Included- CAT4/NGRT Incoming 1st years 2024-TBC
- 1st year vaccinations-date not confirmed
- PT Meetings will commence at 4.15 pm in all schools (each school closing 15 minutes earlier than normal) and will conclude at 6.45 pm.-see calendar.