

# St. Brigid's National School

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## Ornamental Tree Structure at St. Brigid's NS



To celebrate 80- years of St. Brigid's NS, we are erecting an ornamental tree on the wall at the entrance to the school later in the year. We are inviting individuals and families who have had an association with the school since 1939 to buy a leaf, which will be engraved and placed on our tree.

### Goal of this fundraising initiative

To purchase 0.75 of an acre of land to the back of the school and to invest in a traffic management system at the school. Upon purchasing additional space at the school, it is our intention to apply for funding to construct a Multi-Use Games Area on the school grounds. This will be used by pupils of the school during the day and will be available to the Redhills Community outside of school hours. The extra land space will also facilitate the construction of a Special Education Needs Base which will be funded by the Department of Education. Additional funds raised from the fundraising initiative above will be directed towards a fund to alleviate the parking issues we have at the school gate at collection and drop off and collection times. We have applied (unsuccessfully) to Cavan County Council and the Department of Education for funding to deal with this safety concern. To appropriately address this issue, we need to invest in a planning and intervention strategy, which will ultimately involve the construction of an onsite carpark for staff. The additional building, playing space and traffic management system at the school are a necessity based on the recent demographics of St. Brigid's NS.

Demographics at St. Brigid's NS 2014 - 2019		
	2014	2019
Number of Pupils	67	103
Number of Staff	5	14

Full details on how to get involved is outlined below. Sharing of information and payment methods are at the end of this letter. Should you require a soft or hard copy of this letter to share with family and friends around the world, please send an email to [info@stbrigidsns.ie](mailto:info@stbrigidsns.ie).

How can I/we get involved?
<b>Option 1: Family Leaf - €150</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>This leaf is for families who have attended St. Brigid's NS over its 80-year history.</li><li>Note: Family members who did not attend the school will also be named on the leaf.</li></ul>
<b>Option 2: Family Leaf - €100</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>This leaf is for families who currently have children attending St. Brigid's NS. This leaf is discounted to acknowledge the significant financial contributions these families make to the school each year, to bridge the gap between the cost of running the school and the grants supplied by the Department of Education.</li><li>Note: Family members who did not attend the school will also be named on the leaf.</li></ul>
<b>Option 3: Individual Leaf - €50</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>This is for individuals who may wish to purchase a leaf on their own.</li><li>Members of staff can also contribute to the fundraiser via this option.</li><li>Note: Members of the community and/or friends of the school, <i>who have not attended the school</i>, are also invited to purchase a leaf.</li></ul>
Updating of leaves will take place annually in the month June. It is the responsibility of individuals and/or family members to share amendments to their purchased leaf with the school by May of each year. <b><u>This information should be forwarded to <a href="mailto:am@stbrigidsns.ie">am@stbrigidsns.ie</a> or in hard copy. No verbal amendments will be accepted.</u></b>

'Tall oaks from little acorns grow' is a phrase everyone has heard passively at some point in their lives. This is an opportunity for you and/or your family to contribute to the foundations of what will be a significant phase of development in our school's history. I would respectfully ask you to consider the above invite.

The tree will be unveiled officially in January. However, leaves will be added to the tree from mid-September as individuals and families get in touch.

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Payment Options
<b>Cash</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>To be presented in person to St. Brigid's NS, Killoughter, Redhills, Co. Cavan.</li></ul> <p><i>You will be required to share the following information: Family Name / Townland / Name(s) of individual or family members and the years they attended the school. <b><u>This information should be preferably typed or clearly written.</u></b></i></p>
<b>Bank Transfer</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Bank Transfer: IBAN: IE39 ULSB 9853 2012 1071 86</li><li>BIC: ULSB IE 2D</li><li>Please reference your full name on bank transfer</li></ul> <p><i>You will be required to share the following information: Family Name / Townland / Name(s) of individual or family members and the years they attended the school. <b><u>This information should be forwarded to <a href="mailto:am@stbrigidsns.ie">am@stbrigidsns.ie</a></u></b></i></p>
<b>Cheque</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Cheques payable to St. Brigid's NS</li><li>Postal Return: St. Brigid's NS, Killoughter, Redhills, Co. Cavan.</li></ul> <p><i>You will be required to share the following information: Family Name / Townland / Name(s) of individual or family members and the years they attended the school. <b><u>This information should be forwarded to <a href="mailto:am@stbrigidsns.ie">am@stbrigidsns.ie</a></u></b></i></p>