



LITTLE FLOWER N.S., BALLYTARSNA IS A CATHOLIC SCHOOL THAT WORKS WITH PARENTS IN THE MORAL, SOCIAL AND INTELLECTUAL FORMATION OF THEIR CHILDREN.

ETHOS ----

Little Flower N.S., Ballytarsna is a primary school that cares for each pupil, recognising and fostering their particular talents within the context of the school and the wider community. In the long journey towards self-knowledge, Little Flower N.S. provides a spiritual compass for life. It is in these early years of learning that the children of our school follow the Christian path of living and gain confidence to explore and question their world.

The children of Little Flower N.S. come to appreciate the value of learning and the pursuit of truth. Our school offers a broad education that prepares and enriches the children for life.





LITTLE FLOWER N.S. PROVIDES AN ENRICHED CURRICULUM THAT ALLOWS CHILDREN TO EXPLORE AND LEARN IN A STIMULATING, SAFE AND CARING ENVIRONMENT.

-- EDUCATION -----

Delivering an education that has morality, literacy and numeracy at its core, the teachers of Little Flower N.S. provide their pupils with a foundation that allows each child develop their own special interests and talents as they become independent learners.

School and family work together so that each child is suitably supported and challenged: a complementary process that results in an informed and balanced young person who is socially confident, academically prepared and intellectually curious.









· EDUCATION ·

All classrooms in Little Flower N.S. are equipped with Interactive Whiteboards, while our class libraries are well stocked and regularly updated. Both avid and reluctant readers are encouraged and welcomed to use class libraries.

Discovery and "doing" are central to the learning process in Little Flower N.S. Pupils explore, experiment and play in an environment that encourages them to develop their own innate and natural curiosity.







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WE PLACE GREAT IMPORTANCE ON ACTIVE LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT AT INFANT LEVEL AND BY EXTENSION, PROVIDING OUR PUPILS WITH RICH EXPERIENCES DURING THESE CRUCIAL EARLY YEARS.

----- PRIDE FROM THE BEGINNING -----

At Little Flower N.S., we believe in providing the best possible start for our young children as they begin their education. Our Infant Programme is delivered in a structured and progressive format, enriching the Early Childhood Curriculum Framework of "Well-Being", "Identity and Belonging", "Communicating" and "Exploring and Thinking". By providing a purposeful learning environment that encourages play, exploration, discovery and interaction, we enable all children to become independent learners with a thirst for "finding out".

The combined skills of perseverance and experimentation are key components in equipping the children for the more academic demands of First class and beyond, ensuring both a successful and enjoyable journey through Little Flower N.S. and onto Secondary School. Little Flower N.S. is a feeder school for Cashel Community School, Thurles C.B.S., Ursuline Convent Thurles, Presentation Convent Thurles and Rockwell College.





AT LITTLE FLOWER N.S., SPORTING AND CULTURAL PURSUITS ALLOW CHILDREN TO EXPRESS THEMSELVES PHYSICALLY AND ARTISTICALLY.

THE ARTS AND SPORT

Cultural pursuits are embedded in the School Curriculum in Little Flower N.S. Classrooms are hives of activity, expression and cultural learning. Visiting artists in the performing/visual arts are welcomed to our classrooms and allow the children to experience the joy of live performance. Cultural and sporting pursuits develop creative and healthy individuals and our school is blessed in having ample playing/performance space both indoors and outdoors.

Hurling, Gaelic Football, Tag-Rugby and Swimming are regular pursuits while children also participate in Soccer and Basketball at inter schools competitions. A busy calendar (including Book Week, Science Week, Maths Week, Seachtain na Gaeilge, Junior Entrepreneur Programme, Cumann na mBunscol, various performances, workshops and educational trips) makes for a stimulating and vibrant school.





MUSIC PERMEATES
THE DAY, BE IT IN THE
CLASSROOM,
THE LOCAL CHURCH
OR AUDITORIUM.

Little Flower N.S. has a rich musical tradition and all pupils actively participate in our Music Programme. All children learn tin-whistle from First class and are then encouraged to play an additional instrument in the Senior Rooms. All children sing with the school choir, and both the Choir and Instrumentalists complement many liturgical events throughout the year.

Children are also given the opportunity to perform in Musical Theatre during their time here in Little Flower NS. They are accompanied by a live orchestra, learn some stage craft and create magical memories for themselves and for the whole school community.

"Tell me and I forget,
Show me and I remember,
Involve me and I understand".Author Unknown.













----- A SPIRITUAL COMPASS -----

Parents and teachers of our school work together in a positive and supportive manner. Courtesy is the norm, relevant homework is set, achievable (yet challenging) standards are met and participation in all school activities is encouraged.

Children receive the sacrament of First Penance and First Holy Communion in Second class each year while the children in 5th and 6th class make their Confirmation every second year.

The children learn of their responsibilities towards those less privileged in life and actively support charitable causes in Ireland and abroad.





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EACH CHILD TO DEVELOP
THEIR OWN SPECIAL INTERESTS
AND ENRICH THEIR WORLD.

----- APPLICATION -----

APPLICATION FORM AND ENROLMENT

An Application Form is available from the school office, 0504 41323.

If you would like to visit us at any time please ring the above number. We would be delighted to welcome you to our school.

