



Dún Laoghaire Educate Together National School

Roll number: 20503 O

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+ Introduction



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+ Agenda

- Educate Together's role in the Irish education system
- The Educate Together Ethos
- The Learn Together Curriculum
- Principal Recruitment
- Enrolment
- Accommodation



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The Irish Education System



- The Minister for Education recognises school patrons

■ The Patron

- The patron is the body that establishes the school.
- The patron sets up the Board of Management of the school, directly appoints two members, approves teacher appointments
- Selects the school's first principal
- The patron determines the ethos of the school.

■ The Board of Management

- Runs the school according to the patron's ethos



The Educate Together Ethos



- Educate Together commits itself to schools that are:
- Equality-based
- Learner-centred
- Co-educational
- Democratically run

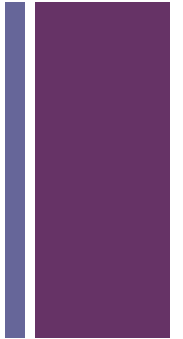


The Learn Together Curriculum



- 30 minutes per day spent on patron's religious curriculum
- The Learn Together Curriculum:
 - Moral and spiritual development
 - Equality and justice
 - Belief systems
 - Ethics and the Environment

+ Principal Recruitment



- Position advertised 9th May. Deadline is 25th May.
- Interview panel has been assembled
- Shortlisting of candidates: Aim is that this takes place on Weds 31st May
- Interviews: Aim is that they be held on Sat 10th June
- Hope to appoint principal by mid June, allowing for compliance with recruitment procedures
- Opportunity to meet principal as soon as possible after appointment



Enrolment



- Applications for enrolment opened on Monday 22nd May – window for initial applications closes Monday 12th June.
- Offers of places to begin from Tuesday 13th June – letters of offer by post, 2 weeks to respond. Based on number of classes sanctioned by DES.
- Please let us know as soon as possible your intention regarding accepting a place at the school.
- Enrolment policy (updated annually) can be viewed at <https://www.educatetogether.ie/dun-laoghaire>
- Categories for prioritisation in case of oversubscription



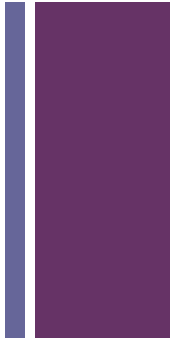
Accommodation



- Engaging with DES currently regarding accommodation for September 2017 – temporary is most likely.
- We have been informed by DES that there'll be only one Junior Infant Class this year. However, based on enrolment, demand and finding suitable accommodation will try for two.
- DES have informed us that they have examined several options very closely recently. Commercial considerations apply to information.
- We will immediately inform you of any development in this area.

+ School Information

- One junior infant class
- School times will be 8.30 am until 1.10 pm
- Opportunity to meet with the principal before school opens
- School book list (if any) will be dealt with by principal
- No school uniform
- Child's birth certificate for registration day – enrolment and registration is two-step process.



■ Questions



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