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Carlow Educate Together National School to open in September

Carlow Educate Together National School will open its doors on 1st September 2008 at 8:50am.

The school is located at Unit 5, Graiguecullen Business Park, Graiguecullen, Carlow Town. It is the building opposite Doyle's Hardware. The building is being converted into a modern 8-classroom facility using the latest architectural plans from the Department of Education.

Carlow Educate Together National School welcomes children on a first come, first served basis. We are currently enrolling Junior Infants. Please visit http:// www.carloweducatetogeth er.ie and fill out the preenrollment form.

Earlier in the month, Simon Lewis accepted the role of principal. Simon has been living in Carlow for the last six years. He has taught in Dublin, Athy and most recently in Gorey, in an Educate Together school. Interviews are underway for a second teacher.

Carlow Educate Together NS will be hosting a number of events over the summer and parents are invited to come along and join in. There is still plenty of work to be done before the school opens and all help is needed.

If you can help in any way, please contact Eleanor Peters at carloweducatetogether@gmail.com or simply show up to one of our committee meetings on Tuesday evenings.

Can you help?

Have you any skills that could help Carlow Educate Together NS? We're looking for electricians, accountants, plumbers, carpenters, solicitors and anyone else who has their skills to offer.

Fill out our Skills Questionnaire on our web site: http://www.carloweducat etogether.ie/home/?page _id=46



Building Work has commenced at the school.

Upcoming Events over the summer

Over the summer holidays, Carlow Educate Together National School will be around town hosting several events. If you can spare a few hours to help in any of the events, please join us at our meetings on Tuesday nights—see our website for details. If you can't make it, contact Eleanor by email.

Within the next few weeks, you will have the opportunity to meet with Simon, our new principal at a coffee morning. Simon will telephone all parents who have enrolled their children in the coming week or so. After that we'll be launching some new fundraising ideas so keep an eye on our web site

Fun Day at Graiguecullen G.A.A. Club

A great day was had by all at the Graiguecullen G.A.A. Club on the 15th June, 2008. About 200 people came along from 11 o'clock to 2 o'clock to join in the fun.

Among the stands were a bouncing castle, lucky dip, a bits and bobs table, arts and crafts, penalty shoot-out, tug-of-war, barbeque and tie-dying.

Some of the stands were so successful that they had sold out within an hour of opening. One lucky boy paid €2 on the bits and bobs table and won a Playstation!

Photographers from both The Nationalist and the Carlow People came along and two excellent articles were written about the event.

Below are some photographs from the day. Thanks to Graiguecullen G.A.A. club for their hospitality and to all the people who joined in our first annual family fun day!





Book List Information

This year our school will provide all books to children. The junior Infant books, including fee for photocopying and arts and crafts is €110. Details for payment on the web site.