### Gaelscoil Bheanntraí

Founded in 1994, our mission is to provide a holistic education for all children through the medium of the Irish language. **Our aim is to maximise the potential that every child has**, and, to foster a lifelong interest in education and learning.

#### "Tús Maith Leath na hOibre - A good start is half the work"

## Early Childhood Curriculum

In Gaelscoil Bheanntraí to ensure the best possible start in your child's education, we deliver a structured and progressive format, enriching the Early Childhood Curriculum Format of 'Well Being', 'Identity and Belonging', 'Communication', and 'Exploring and Thinking'. A learning environment that encourages play, exploration, discovery and interaction, enables the children to become independent learners with a thirst for 'finding out'. The combined skills of perseverence and experimentation are key to enabling the children to be prepared for their academic journey ahead.





#### Gaeilge / Irish Language

Is í an Ghaeilge teanga cumarsáide na scoile. Ní chuirfidh easpa Gaeilge aon constaicí roimh aon chlann a bhfuil suim acu sa dátheangachas. Múintear na hábhair trí mheán na Gaeilge [seachas Béarla Oideachas aqus Sóisialta. Pearsanta & Sláinte]. Irish is the official language of the school. A lack of Irish speaking ability at home will not place any constraints on children who have an interest in bilingualism. We teach all subjects through the medium of Irish (except English and SPHE)



#### Dátheangachas / Bilingualism

Over **75% of the world's population are bilingual or multilingual**. Multiple studies have shown the benefits both academically and socially of being exposed to and learning multiple languages from a young age.

Studies have shown that bilinguals outperform monolinguals in a range of cognitive and social tasks from verbal and nonverbal tests to how well they can read other people.

#### Spórt / Sport

Children have the opportunity to participate in a wide variety of sports throughout their school years including: **Gaelic football**, **hurling, rugby, soccer, basketball, athletics and swimming.** We believe that there is a sport for every child and an emphasis is placed on participation and enjoyment above all.



# Pobal na Scoile / The school community

In Gaelscoil Bheanntraí we believe that the positive relationship between the family and the school is central to the wellbeing and growth of each child. A cooperative, collaborative approach between teachers and parents/guardians leads to an understanding in the children of the importance of a positive and supportive relationship.

## Áiseanna/Facilities

Gaelscoil Bheanntraí is a modern, bright and safe building with a large enclosed playground.

\*\*\*\*A Multi-Use Games Area with cushioned underlay will be laid in June 2023\*\*\*\*\*\*.

Each classroom has a large interactive whiteboard with boy's and girl's toilets in each room. Each classroom has a small library where children choose material of interest. Ipads are used to compliment traditional teaching methods. 'Blue Bots' and 'Lego We Do' are used to introduce coding to the children.

## Ábair/Subjects

Gaeilge/ Irish, Béarla / English, Matamaitic / Maths, Stair / History, Eolaíocht / Science, Tír Eolaíocht / Geography, Drámaíocht / Drama, Corpoideachas / PE, Ceol / Music, Ealaín / Art, Oideachas Sóisialta, Pearsanta & Sláinte / SPHE, Reiligiún / Religion



"Ná Cluintear Claoíteacht Oraibh" "Keep doing your best"

## Cumann na dTuistí / Parents' Association

In Gaelscoil Bheanntraí we are very fortunate to have an **energetic**, **proactive Parents' Association** who help in **organising fun activities** for the children throughout the year. All parents/guardians of children in Gaelscoil Bheanntraí are members of Cumann na dTuistí and encouraged to become active members.



