



Social Media Policy

Nun's Cross National School's website and blog are administered by the school principal. This policy details the type of content we publish as well as how we interact with others on these platforms.

Our school website and blog allows us to communicate news and updates in a timely manner.

Where we engage

Nun's Cross National School will engage on:

- ★ Our Website (www.nunscross.ie) and our blog (www.nunscross.ie/news)

Nun's Cross National School may decide to utilise additional/other forms of social media in the future, at which point this policy will be updated.

Content

Visitors to our website and blog can expect information including:

- Important Policy content
- Staff contact details (school email addresses)
- Intention to enrol forms
- Monthly Newsletter
- Photos of pupils (whose parents have consented to their use on the website)
- School contact details
- Coverage of events attended or organised by Nun's Cross National School
- Content from other organisations where appropriate
- Other practical information on Special Education

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Followers/Abusive/Spam Language:

The online presence of Nun's Cross National School does not allow for posts or content to be commented on or followed.

Blog Policy particulars

About our blog

If you are unfamiliar with blogs, they are essentially websites that are updated frequently. Administrators (in our case teachers) can add posts which contain class news, learning stimuli and/or work samples. We will use our blog to document what is happening in Nuns Cross N.S.

Why blog?

I have seen so many benefits for students.

1. One of the fantastic features of blogs is that student work and achievements can be shared with a wide, authentic audience. Instead of only the teacher seeing students' creations, parents and students can view selected work.
2. Having a blog helps to strengthen home-school partnerships and build a sense of classroom community. Is your child ever reluctant to tell you what they're doing at school? Blog posts can be excellent conversation starters for your family.
3. One of the most rewarding experiences that blogging offers is the opportunity to make global connections. We are able to communicate with blogging buddies from all over the world and learn from and with them. Blogs flatten our classroom walls!

Information regarding our school blog

1. Students' first names, photos, work, video and school name MAY be included on the blog.
2. Student names WILL NOT be matched with their photo.
3. Students' surnames, address, email address, phone number, specific plans, date of birth and other personal information WILL NOT be included on the blog.
4. Posts will be written by teachers. Teachers each have their own login information through which they create posts.
5. Posts will be checked by the administrator (Miss Ward) before they are published on the blog.
6. Students will not be able to log in and write posts.
7. There may be times where students are given opportunities to contribute to the blog through writing posts. This may include green schools representatives, active schools representatives or student council representatives. When this is the case, verbal parental permission will be sought before the writing commences. Where students are enlisted to write blog posts, they will be supervised in doing so. They will be granted access through the supervising teacher who will check the post before saving the information as a draft. The post will be given a final check by Miss Ward before it is published.
8. Our blog has a no comments policy. Posts are there to be read and seen.

Data Protection

The public should not post any personal information publicly, and if they do so it is done at their own risk.

Review of Policy

Nun's Cross National School will review this Policy over time in the light of any ongoing operational, procedure amendments.

This policy has been ratified by the Board of Management on 20th March 2024

Chairperson of the Board of Management