



Meitheamh

Nuacht ó Gharrán Mhuire



Academic Year 2025/26

School will reopen on Thursday 28 August 2025
New Junior Infants 2025 [Class of 2033] welcomed at 10:00am

A fond Farewell to teachers and children leaving OLG

We are sad that you are leaving and we wish you all the very best of luck moving to other countries and counties, transitioning into new schools both primary and post-primary. You will always remain 'Friends of OLG' and we look forward to your visits in the future.

A Few Words from our Principal...

This final term in Our Lady's Grove, though short, certainly packed a punch!

From joyful Communion and Confirmations to Graduations, Sports Days, school tours, the ever-popular Summer Fair and a record haul of trophies and medals in camogie, hurling, soccer and athletics, the energy and spirit of OLG were everywhere. These moments don't happen by accident – they're the result of incredible dedication behind the scenes.

A heartfelt thank you to our wonderful staff, supportive parents, dedicated PA, and the Board of Management – your commitment, generosity, and guidance are felt in every corner of the school and make everything we do possible.

To all the boys and girls – well done on a fantastic year! And to our Class of 2025 – we wish you every success as you take your next step. Remember to keep in touch, you'll always be part of the OLG family.

Wishing you all a safe, sunny and restful summer. We look forward to seeing everyone when we go again on **28th August!**

Bain taitneamh as an samhradh iontach!

JoAnna McDowell



On behalf of the Board of Management, thanks to all of the families who contributed to the upkeep of our school through the Voluntary Contributions. There is still time for you to send in your Voluntary Contributions for 2025. CHY Forms are available on our website at:
www.ourladysgrove.ie

Afterschool Activities

Thanks to the Parent Association, teachers on staff, outside providers for offering a wide variety of activities to our families every weekday afternoon and evening. We extend a huge thank you to the coaches, teachers, supervisors and co-ordinators of the following activities that took place during the year: Cumann na mBunscol, Hockey, Athletics, Soccer, Chess Club, Guitar, Creative Keyboards, MultiSports, Gymnastics, CraftyKids Art Club, Drama, Spanish, Debating, Irish Dancing & Taekwon-Do.

We look forward to resuming the activities in September.

Parent Association

Thank you to all the class reps and members of the PA for your support this past year.

Míle buíochas ó gach duine sa Scoil OLG!

Nuacht ó gCoiste na nDaltaí

Grove Vision

Grove Vision is a singing competition in Our Lady's Grove that has been going on for 40 years! First there is a class semi-final where two classes come together and compete to get a place in a category. If they do this, they have a chance to perform in front of most of the school. The songs have to have completely new lyrics and melody. There is a 1st, 2nd and 3rd for each class and category. There is also an overall winner who gets their name on a Grove Vision shield. The competition is for 2nd, class and up. In my opinion Grove Vision is one of the nicest things about Our Lady's Grove.

By Cara Room 9



Guide Dog Day

The Student Council organised a fundraiser in our school for Guide Dog Day on the 23rd of May 2025. We wore green and brought in €1 or €2 to donate. We raised over €600. It was a big success! Thanks to everyone who took part and donated.

By Fiadh and Ethan Room 11



School Fair

On the 15th of June it was amazing because it was the Summer Fair. There was so much to do and just some of the things were games, food stalls, a gaming truck and lots more. One of our favourites was Fortune Teller and Sponge Throw. Also, inside there was a toy sale where there were lots of toys to buy. Thank you so much to all the helpers for making it such a great day!

By Emma and Max Room 10



Golf

A couple of children from our 4th and 5th class played in Golf competition this month. They played 9 holes of golf. It was a hard competition, but it was very close and a great opportunity for them. They really enjoyed the day.

By Ned and Andrew Room 13

Cumann na mBunscol

Hurling

OLG boy's hurling team played in a tournament called Cumann na mBunscol. We were very successful in winning 2 of our matches. We sadly lost in the semi-finals. But were proud for playing so well in our matches.

By Cian Room 11

Camogie

This year girls from 4th, 5th and 6th class participated in camogie tournament called Cumann na mBunscol. They had training every Tuesday morning before school from 8 – 8:45 am with Ms Murphy and Ms Burke. First they started a league and then went to a knockout. They were delighted to get to the semi-finals. Sadly, they didn't win but played a tough match and all played their best. More recently all of the 5th and 6th class girls played in a blitz in Kilmacud Crokes and lots of other school also participated. They played some really tough matches and won the final by 5 points. We are already looking forward to next year!

By Isabel and Millie Room 13



Santry

On May 22nd, 5th and 6th class went to Santry. We participated in long jump, shot put, sprint and relay. We had trained in school and also in UCD. We won gold, silver and bronze in our events. It was a great day and we really enjoyed it.

By Valentina and Jasmine Room 16



Sports Day

Sports day was as best as it ever was at OLG!

Everyone headed down to Rosemount. The senior end, 3rd-6th went on Wednesday. The junior end, Junior Infants-2nd went on Tuesday. There were eight stations: orienteering, dodge ball, hula hut, boules, penalty shootout, tug of war, bean bag toss and races. The races were:

The cup and jug race, where you had to run to the basin with an empty cup, fill it and run back to fill your jug. The team with the most water in their jug in 60 seconds was the winner.

The Jenga race, where you had to run up grab a Jenga piece and try to build a tall tower. The tallest tower in 60 seconds wins!

The last one was the hula hoop race, where you had to hold hands and put your body through the hula hoop and run to the end. The first team to the other side wins.

There was also a 100meter sprint for all classes but not together. Sports day was brilliant.

By Cian Room 9



Avondale

6th class went to Avondale as a class trip it was really fun and cool. There was a very high slide at the end of the walk through the treetops. We played in the playground as well.

By Patrick Room 16

Epic

The 6th Class trip to Epic was very fun. We took the Luas. We learned many great things there. They gave us little cards to stamp in every room. There were videos in most rooms. One room had some clothes that you could take pictures in. My favourite room had these amazing lights all over the room.

By Valentina Room 16

The Custom House

In June both 5th and 6th classes went to the Custom House Visitor Centre in town. We really enjoyed learning all about history of the building and the pretty statue on top of the building and the River God sculptures too.

By Erin and Zahran Room 15

Bainigí taitneamh as na laethanta saoire!