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Coláistí Samhraidh Summer Courses

Tá os cionn 50 bliain taithí ag Coláiste na bhFiann ag reáchtáil cúrsaí samhraidh Gaeilge, laistigh agus lasmuigh den Ghaeltacht. Is é an phríomhaidhm atá ag an eagraíocht ná an Ghaeilge a mhúineadh do dhaoine óga i suíomh fáilteach agus taitneamhach, rud a spreagann meon dearfach iontu i leith na teanga. Coláiste na bhFiann has over 50 years experience running Irish language Summer Courses in both Gaeltacht areas and residential colleges. The main purpose of the organisation is to teach young people to speak Irish in a welcoming environment that encourages a positive attitude towards the language.

Tá córas láidir bunaithe ag Coláiste na bhFiann a thógann ar an nGaeilge atá foghlamtha acu sa chóras oideachais. Building on the basics of Irish learned within the traditional schools' structure, Coláiste na bhFiann has developed a formula that has successfully helped generations of young people to enjoy using and improving their Irish language skills.

Idir thaithí foirne, mhodhanna múinte agus aire phearsanta toisc go bhfuil cóimheas íseal daltaí/foirne, éiríonn le Coláiste na bhFiann a gcuid aidhmeanna a chur i bhfeidhm agus baineann na daltaí líofacht teangan amach i dtimpeallacht nádúrtha.

Experienced staff (most of whom are past pupils), tried and tested teaching methods and personal attention through a low pupil to teacher ratio are among the factors that have contributed to the success of the organisation and that allow Coláiste na bhFiann to guarantee a level of fluency and confidence after three weeks, regardless of previous ability.

Roimh dul go Coláiste na bhFiann freastalóidh gach dalta le tuismitheoir ar oíche eolais.
Before attending Coláiste na bhFiann, every student with a parent must attend an information session.

Tar éis mo chúrsa a roghnú agus m'fhoirm iarratais a sheoladh ar aghaidh, cad é an chéad céim eile? /
Once I have decided on a course and sent on my application, what is the next step?

'Sé an chéad chéim eile ná an t-agallamh / The next step in the application process is the Interview.

1. Ní mór do dhaltaí agus dá dtuismitheoirí freastal ar chruinniú eolais ina ndéanfar measúnú agus agallamh chomh maith le taispeantas DVD / All students with their parents must attend an information meeting which involves an assessment, an interview and a DVD. (2 hour duration)
2. Tá sé fíorluachmhar an t-am a chaitear ag an staid seo. Tugann sé deis leibhéal Gaeilge an dalta a mheas agus léargas a thabhairt ar gach gné de Choláiste na bhFiann trí mheán DVD / Our experience has shown that the time spent at this stage proves invaluable to both students and parents. It enables us to assess each student's standard of Irish while giving both parent and child an insight into all aspects of a Coláiste na bhFiann course through the use of a DVD.
3. Déantar plé le tuismitheoirí faoi riachtanais phearsanta, aiste bia agus / nó leigheas an dalta / Any queries a parent may have will be discussed, along with each student's personal, dietary and/or medical needs.
4. Is gá go mbeidh Amhrán na bhFiann agus Amhrán an Choláiste ar eolas do Chúrsa A agus Amhrán na bhFiann do Chúrsa B / A prerequisite for attending a Coláiste na bhFiann Rule A Course is the learning of Amhrán na bhFiann and Amhrán an Choláiste. Amhrán na bhFiann is required for a Rule B Course. (available on www.colaistenabhfiann.ie)

FAQs - Important Information

- 1. What course is most suited to my child – an A or a B course?**
We strongly recommend that all children attending Coláiste na bhFiann for the first time attend a B course regardless of their age (Please see the ruling for Course A and Course B).
- 2. My daughter's friend has been on a Rule B course and is now attending a Rule A course? Would it be suitable for my daughter to attend with her?**
Coláiste na bhFiann strongly recommends that all children attending for the first time attend a B course regardless of where their friends are going.
- 3. We live close to the college in Ráth Chairn so we want to send our child there? Is this suitable?**
It is important to choose a course suitable to your child's ability as opposed to the location of the college. Please see the ruling on the A and B courses.
- 4. What time of the summer is most beneficial to attend a course?**
Our August courses are most beneficial, particularly to those sitting exams the following June.
- 5. My child is on a waiting list for a course. Do I need to pay the balance of fees?**
Balance of fee is not due for those on waiting lists as you are not guaranteed a place.
- 6. Does Coláiste na bhFiann organise transport to the courses?**
Coláiste na bhFiann does not organise transport to or from the colleges.
- 7. My child could have a number of football matches/sports events during the course that they will have to attend. Is this possible?** No. Coláiste na bhFiann run total immersion courses so it is important that your child is committed to attend the course in full.
- 8. My daughter and her friends would like to be housed together? Can this be organised?**
It is policy not to house friends or family members together due to the total immersion nature of the course. Habits of a lifetime cannot be changed overnight in terms of language. We separate young people who know each other, so that there is less chance that they will speak English during the course. It can also be off-putting for children attending on their own to see groups of friends attending together. We strive to create an environment whereby all children get to know each other within the first 2-3 days thereby eliminating the risk of cliques.
- 9. Would it be possible for my son to use his mobile phone in the evenings?**
There is zero tolerance policy with regards to mobile phones. Contact with your child can be facilitated through the college mobile phone should it be necessary. We strongly advise that your child does not bring a phone with them on the course as this could entail dismissal from the course.
- 10. When can I visit my child?**
Visiting is for 2 hours on a Sunday. This runs from 2.30 - 4.30. College activities continue during this time. To be fair to all children we ask that parents adhere to these times.
- 11. Who is the main point of contact while my child is on the course?**
The course manager or an Bainisteoir is the main point of contact while your child is on the course. You will receive their number on the first day. Alternatively contact the Head Office by phone or by email during office hours (9.30 - 5.00 Monday to Friday).
- 12. Is there a closing ceremony on the course?**
Yes. All courses have a closing ceremony which showcases the work the children have achieved during the course. It is important that parents and family are in attendance.
- 13. Does Coláiste na bhFiann provide opportunities to use Irish during the year?**
Yes. Coláiste na bhFiann strongly recommends that each child attend Cumann na bhFiann, a nationwide network of weekly youth clubs, that run between September to Easter during the year. This is the only way that your child will maintain the fluency they have attained on the courses.

Dátaí, Coláistí & Rialacha 2021

Dates, Colleges & Rules 2021

Eagraíonn Coláiste na bhFiann dhá chineál cúrsa, A agus B, le dhá rialail éagsúil.

Coláiste na bhFiann organise two types of courses, A and B, with two different rules. Please see below for a description of each.

Cúrsa B / Course B

Má labhrann dalta Béarla de thimpiste, tabharfar rabhadh dó/dí. Cuirfear seo in iúl dá thuismitheoirí/tuismitheoirí. Má labhrann an dalta Béarla arís ní bheidh de rogha againn ach é/í a chur abhaile. Ní cheadofar labhairt i mBéarla d'aon ghnó ar chor ar bith áfach agus má bheirtear ar dhalta ag labhairt i mBéarla d'aon ghnó beidh air/uirthi dul abhaile gan rabhadh agus ní aisíofar aon airgead. (Cuirtear an rialail seo i bhfeidhm ón am a thagann an dalta ar an gcúrsa.)

If a student accidentally speaks English, she/he will be reprimanded and warned and parents will be notified. If such an incident is repeated, we will have no option but to send the student home. However, deliberate speaking of English will not be tolerated on Course B and any student found doing so must leave the course without warning and with no fee refund. (These rules are enforced from the time the student arrives on the course.)

| Course Code | Centre | Dátaí / Dates | Level | Táille / Fee |
|--------------|----------------------|-----------------------|------------------|--------------|
| COL-1 | Meath - Droim Rí - B | 06 June - 26 June | Secondary School | €1000 |
| COL-2 | Meath - Droim Rí - B | 04 July - 17 July | 4th - 6th Class | €700 |
| COL-3 | Meath - Droim Rí - B | 18 July - 31 July | 4th - 6th Class | €700 |
| COL-4 | Meath - Droim Rí - B | 01 August - 21 August | Secondary School | €950 |

| Course Code | Centre | Dátaí / Dates | Level | Táille / Fee |
|--------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------|
| COL-5 | Donegal - Gaoth Dobhair - B | 06 June - 26 June | Secondary School | €1000 |

| Course Code | Centre | Dátaí / Dates | Level | Táille / Fee |
|--------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------|
| COL-6 | Meath - Ráth Cairn - B | 06 June - 26 June | Secondary School | €1000 |
| COL-7 | Meath - Ráth Cairn - B | 04 July - 24 July | Secondary School | €950 |

Cúrsa A / Course A

Dibreofar ón gcúrsa aon dalta a labhrann abairt iomlán i mBéarla ar aon chúis. Ní dhéanfar aon aisíoc sa chás seo.

(Cuirtear an rialail seo i bhfeidhm ón am a thagann an dalta ar an gcúrsa.)

Students who speak one complete sentence in English, for whatever reason, must leave the course and there will be no refund of fee. (This rule is enforced from the time the student arrives on the course.)

| Course Code | Centre | Dátaí / Dates | Level | Táille / Fee |
|---------------|----------------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------|
| COL-8 | Galway - Ros Muc - A | 06 June - 26 June | Secondary School | €1000 |
| COL-9 | Galway - Ros Muc - A | 04 July - 24 July | Secondary School | €950 |
| COL-10 | Galway - Ros Muc - A | 25 July - 14 August | Secondary School | €950 |

For Course locations please see: www.cnb.ie

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Méid..... Dáta..... Cúrsa..... Siniú.....

Tá sé tábhachtach an fhoirm seo a líonadh le CEANNLITREACHA ina hiomláine agus an cód ceart a bheith roghnaithe / It is very important that this form is completed carefully using BLOCK CAPS and that the correct course code is entered

Student Details

Ainm an Dalta (as Gaeilge) / Student's Full Name (In Irish)

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Seoladh / Address

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Eircode (Essential)

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Reiligiún / Religion

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Dáta Breithe / Date of Birth

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Buachaill / Boy

Cailín / Girl

Parent/Guardian Contact Details

R-phost / Email for all correspondence

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Ainm / Name

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Fón Póca 1 / Mobile Phone

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Ainm / Name

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Fón Póca 2 / Mobile Phone

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An raibh an Dalta/Siblín i gColáiste/Cumann na bhFiann cheanna?

Was the Student/Sibling in Coláiste/Cumann na bhFiann before?

Yes No

Ainm / Name

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Scoil / School

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Baile / Town

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Rang / Class

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Bunscoil / Primary School

Iar-bhunscoil / Post Primary Schools

**Please insert
Course Code
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Eolas Sláinte/Pearsanta / Health/Personal Information

Please note below details of medical conditions, medications, allergies, dietary requirements or learning difficulties.

Personal family circumstances - illness, unemployment, separation, etc.

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(Beidh an t-eolas seo faoi dhíscréid i gcónaí ach is féidir gaoch a chur orainn más maith leat é a phlé / This information will be treated with discretion at all times but please contact the office if you would prefer to discuss it with a member of staff)

Dearbhaím le seo:

- go bhfuil an teolas sa leabhrán ceangailte le seo, léite agam, go dtuigim an t-teolas ar fad atá ann agus go nglacaim leis na rialacha atá laithe.
- go dtuigim gur gá freastal ar agallamh/seisiún eolais, más cuí, agus go bhfreastalóidh mé ar an agallamh le mo pháiste.
- go dtuigim go gcaithfidh gach páiste freastal ar an gcúrsa ina iomláine (20 lá agus 20 oíche ar chúrsa 3 seachtaine agus 13 lá agus 13 oíche ar chúrsa coicíse) agus geallaim go gcloifidh mo pháiste leis an rial seo.
- go dtuigim ar chúiseanna slándála agus sábháilteachta, nach ceadmhach do dhaltáí fón póca / ceamara digiteach a bheith ina sheilbh acu. Is féidir glaoch ar thuismitheoirí, más gá, ó fón an Choláiste.
- go dtuigim más rud é go bhfágfaidh mo pháiste a lóistín, ar chúis ar bith, tar éis do 'soilse múchta' gur díbirt láithreach atá i gceist mar gur saincheist thromchúiseach sábháilteachta é seo.
- go dtuigim gur díbirt láithreach atá i gceist má tá toitíní, galtoitíní, drugaí nó alcól ag mo pháiste ar an gcúrsa nó má tá sé/sí faoin a dtionchar.
- go dtuigim go bhfuil ar mo pháiste cloí le Téarmaí & Coinníollacha na heagraíochta (Cóip ar fáil ach é a iarraidh agus ar an suíomh gréasáin)

I confirm that:

- I have read and fully understand the information booklet attached to this form and that I accept the rules of the organisation therein.
- I understand that it is a prerequisite to attend an interview (2 hour duration), where applicable, and that I as a parent must be in attendance with my child.
- I understand that my child must attend the full course (20 days and 20 nights for the 3 week course and 13 days and 13 nights for the 2 week course) and I state that my child will fully comply.
- I understand that for safety and security reasons that personal mobile phones/digital cameras are not permitted for students on our courses. Calls to parents if needed, can be made from the college phone.
- I understand that it is immediate expulsion from the course should my child leave their accommodation for any reason after 'lights out' as this is a serious safety concern.
- I understand that it is an immediate expulsion from the course for my child to be in the possession or under the influence of cigarettes, vapes, drugs or alcohol.
- I understand that my child must fully comply with the Terms & Conditions of the organisation (Available on request or on the website)

Síniú an Tuismitheora / Parent's signature Dáta / Date



Modhanna íocaíochta, Tarraingt siar & Aisíocaíochtaí

Payment methods, Cancellations & Refunds

Eolas faoi lascaine / Information on course reductions

| Duration | Student | Reduction |
|--------------------------|---|-----------|
| 3 seachtaine / 3 weeks | Iardhaltaí / Existing students | €50 |
| 3 seachtaine / 3 weeks | Daltaí nua agus níos mó ná duine amháin ón teaghlach céanna New students with more than one from the same family attending | €30 |
| Coicís / 2 weeks | Iardhaltaí / Existing students | €30 |
| Coicís / 2 weeks | Daltaí nua agus níos mó ná duine amháin ón teaghlach céanna New students with more than one from the same family attending | €20 |
| Éarlais / Deposit | €300 | |

Only one reduction applies per student

Modh Íocaíochta / Payment Method

- Payment of deposit / course fee, can be made over the phone by either credit or debit card
- Please be aware that your place is NOT guaranteed until course deposit has been paid.
- Balance of all course fees must be paid by March 24th.
- Students applying after March 24th, requiring an interview, must pay their fees within 14 days of completion of interview

WE WILL USE THE EMAIL SUPPLIED FOR ALL CORRESPONDENCE.

Tarraingt siar & Aisíocaíochtaí

Cancellations & Refunds

1. Ní mór áit a chur ar ceal nó athrú a dhéanamh i scríbhinn - glacfar le litir nó le ríomhphost
All cancellations and changes must be received in writing - Letter or Email.
2. Aisíocfar éarlaisí ina n-iomláine laistigh de 14 lá i ndiaidh an agallaimh. (Daltaí nua amháin).
Gearrfar táille riaracháin de €100 ar aon chealúchán eile
Full refund of deposit will be available up to 14 days after the interview (New students only).
All other cancellations are subject to €100 administration fee.
3. Caillfear éarlaisí ina n-iomláine as cealúchán déanach a dhéanamh (tar éis 1 Bealtaine)
Late cancellations (after 1st May) will forfeit full deposit.
4. Caillfear táillí ina n-iomláine as cealú a dhéanfar laistigh de 21 lá roimh thús an chúrsa roghnaithe
Cancellations within 21 days prior to the chosen course will forfeit full fee.
5. Beidh iarratasóirí déanacha, nach dteastaíonn agallamh uathu, faoi réir ár bpolasaí cealúcháin
All late applicants, not requiring an interview will be subject to our cancellation policy.

The Four Key Elements of the Organisation are

Coláistí Samhraidh

2 or 3 week summer courses providing total immersion courses in Irish for students

4 locations around the country - Gaoth Dobhair, Ráth Chairn, Rosmuc and Drumree, Co Meath

Our courses are activity based with a full daily program instilling confidence and love for the language

Cumann na bhFiann

Providing opportunities for young people to use Irish outside the school system

60 weekly youth clubs from September to Easter

Creating networks of young people to meet up through the medium of Irish

Organising regional and national events to use Irish socially

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Acadamh Cinnireachta

Developing young people as leaders

Learning skills to be effective leaders in the organisation which will help them in the future

Providing opportunities to practice these skills in different roles in the organisation

Providing opportunities to mix with likeminded young people, building networks for the future

Ionad Óige na hÉireann

The first all Irish Language youth centre in Ireland

Facilitates school tours, training courses, overnight events and more

Music, drama, sport and art facilities

Giving credibility and value to the language

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