



# Polasaí Idirchreidmheach

## *Interdenominational Policy*

### **Réamhrá** *Introduction*

Is bunscoil chomhoideachas, lán-Ghaeilge, idirchreidmheach í Gaelscoil an Chuilinn a osclaíodh i 2012, faoi phátrúnacht an Fhorais Phátrúnachta, chun freastal ar an éileamh ar bhunoideachas trí Ghaeilge sa cheantar áitiúil. Cloífimid le sainmhíniú an Fhorais maidir leis an idirchreidmheachas.

- *Gaelscoil an Chuilinn is a co-educational, all-Irish, interdenominational primary school opened in 2012 under the patronage of the Foras Pátrúnachta, to cater for the demand for all-Irish primary education in the local area. We adhere to the Foras' definition of interdenominational education.*

Cuireadh an polasaí seo le chéile le comhoibriú ó Mhúinteoirí, Coiste na dTuismitheoirí agus an Bord Bainistíochta na scoile.

- *This policy is a collaborative document created by the School Teachers, Parents' Association Committee and Board of Management.*

Más rud é go bhfuil difríocht idir a bhfuil scríofa as Gaeilge agus as Béarla sa pholasaí seo, glactar leis an leagan Gaeilge mar an leagan cruinn agus na leagan Béarla mar aistriúchán.

- *Should there be any discrepancy between the Irish and English in this policy, it is accepted that the Irish is the correct version and the English is provided as a translation.*

### **Sainmhíniú** *Definition*

- Feidhmeoidh Gaelscoil an Chuilinn faoi chomhspiorad Caitliceach agus Protastúnach.
- *Gaelscoil an Chuilinn will operate under a joint Catholic and Protestant ethos.*
- Spreagfar tuiscint agus inghlacthacht modhanna adhraidh Caitliceach agus Protastúnach.
- *An understanding and acceptance of Catholic and Protestant modes of worship is fostered.*

- Ullmhófar na daltaí do na sacraimintí a bhaineann leo.
- *The children will be prepared for the sacraments.*
- Leagfar dualgas ar an scoil tábhacht an iolrachais creidimh a aithint agus a cheiliúradh.
- *It will be the responsibility of the school to recognise and celebrate the importance of religious tolerance.*
- Tá freagracht ar an scoil idirchreidmheach freastal iomlán a dhéanamh ar an dá mhórháidisiún chríostúil agus na siollabais chreidimh reatha atá leagtha síos ag easpaig na nDeoisí cuí a leanacht.
- *The school is responsible for ensuring that both Christian denominations are catered for and that the current religion syllabi laid down by the bishops of the Diocese is followed.*
- I gcás nach bhfuil ach daltaí de chreideamh amháin cláraithe sa scoil nó sa rang cloífead leis an bpolasaí seo luaite trí thuiscint a thabhairt do dháltaí ar an gcreideamh eile.
- *In the case that only one denomination is represented in a class group, the school will ensure that this policy is adhered to and that they are taught an understanding of the other.*
- Áirítear na heaglaisí seo leanas mar eaglaisí Protastúnacha:

Eaglais Bhaisteach	Eaglais Mheitidisteach
Eaglais na hÉireann	Eaglais Phreispitéireach
Eaglais Liútarach	

- *The following are recognised as Protestant:*

<i>Baptist Church</i>	<i>Methodist Church</i>
<i>Church of Ireland</i>	<i>Presbyterian Church</i>
<i>Lutheran Church</i>	

- Áirítear na heaglaisí seo leanas mar eaglaisí Caitliceacha:

Eaglais Chaitliceach Rómhánach	Eaglais Cheartchreidmheach
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- *The following are recognised as Catholic:*

<i>Roman Catholic Church</i>	<i>Orthodox Church</i>
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## Cleachtas *Practice*

- Tá dualgas ar an mBord Bainistíochta spiorad saineúil na scoile atá ag teacht leis an sainmhíniú de ghaelscoil idirchreidmheach anseo luaite a chosaint agus a bheith cuntasach don Phátrún as é a chosaint.
- *The Board of Management is responsible and accountable to the Patron for the protection of the school's interdenominational ethos*
- Beidh an Crois ar taispeáint sa scoil mar chomhartha na Críostaíochta. Ní bheidh dealbha ná pictiúir dhiaga ar taispeáint go seasmhach ach is féidir iad a úsáid mar áiseanna teagaisc ag amanta cuí i rith na bliana.
- *The Cross will be displayed in the school as a sign of Christianity. Statues or religious icons will not be permanently displayed in the school but can, however, be used as teaching aids at appropriate times during the year.*
- Tá dualgas ar na múinteoirí an dá chlár creidimh thuasluaite mar atá leagtha síos ag na deoisí cuí a mhúineadh dá rang taobh istigh d'am oifigiúil na scoile de réir Rialacha do Bhunscoileanna Náisiúnta.
- *It is the responsibility of the teachers to teach the above two religion programmes set by the diocese to their class within official class time as laid down in the Rules for National Schools.*
- Tugtar cuireadh do na páistí uilig sa rang freastal ar na sacraimintí agus páirt a ghlacadh sna ócáidí speisialta seo fiú muna bhfuil said ag glacadh na sacraiminte.
- *The whole class is invited to attend the sacraments and to take part in this special occasion even if they are not receiving the sacrament.*
- De réir an tAcht Oideachais 1998, Alt 30-2 (e) muna dteastaíonn ó thuistí go mbeidh a bpaiste/í ag glacadh páirt sna ranganna Creidimh, caithfear é a chur i scríbhinn chuig na scoile. Ní chuireann an scoil ranganna eile ar siúl dóibh siúd nach bhfuil ag iarraidh páirt a ghlacadh sa rang Creidimh. Tá dhá rogha ag an tuismitheoir má dhéantar an cinneadh siúd.
  - 1) An páiste a bhailiú ón scoil ag an am úd
  - 2) An páiste a fhágáil sa rang ag léamh nó ag déanamh gníomhaíocht eile fad is ata na ranganna ar siúl
  - 3) Tá sé tábhachtach go dtuigeann tuistí, cé nach bhfuil a bpaiste ag glacadh páirt sna ranganna Creideamh go bhfuil siad fós in atmaisféar a chleachtann paidreacha, scéalta agus amhráin naofa ó am go chéile sa seomra ranga nó ag tionól.
- *Under Section 30-2 (e) of the 1998 Education Act, parents may withdraw their child(ren) from instruction in any subject which is contrary to the conscience of the parent.*

*Should parents decide that they do not want their child to partake in Religious instruction, they must inform the school in writing that they wish to opt their child out*

*of formal Religion classes. The school **does not** provide alternative classes for children not participating whilst Religion is being taught.*

*1) The parents may collect their child from the school whilst Religious instruction is taught*

*2) The parents may permit their child to read or complete other activities in the classroom whilst Religious instruction is being taught.*

*3) It is equally important to note that although your child will not partake in formal religious instruction, they will be in an environment that on occasion they may hear other pupils pray, read religious stories, sing religious themed songs, celebrate Christian feasts or perform religious based plays at Christmas etc. in the classroom or at school assembly.*

### **Daingniú Ratification**

Uas-dhátú déanta le linn na scoilbliana 2018-19.

*Policy updated during the 2018-19 schoolyear*

Sínithe: \_\_\_\_\_ Dáta \_\_\_\_\_

Caththaoirleach