

Thank you for registering for our Ballycotton Lighthouse Run 5 mile road race on Sunday March 1st 2026. Please see below some important race day information.

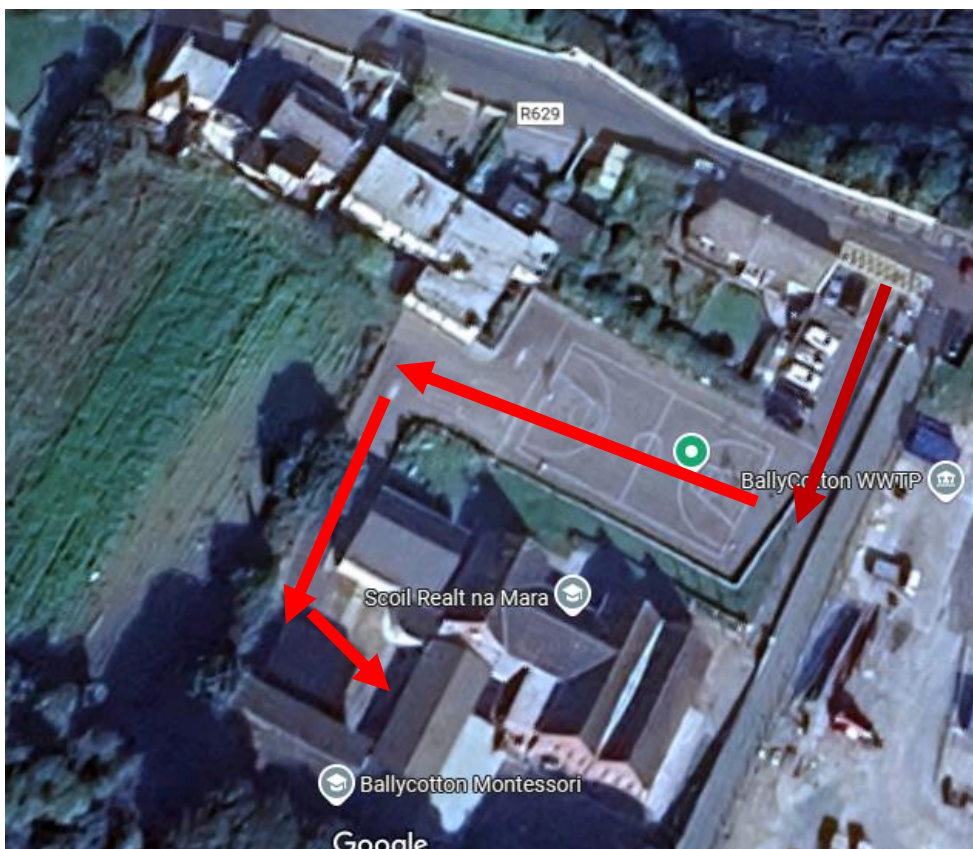
Race Number and T-Shirt:

Race numbers and T-Shirts have been posted out to anybody who has ordered a t shirt online.

If you have ordered a t- shirt (**after 23rd February**) with your race number but have not received one please contact us as soon as possible at brian.daly@scoilrealtnamara.ie

Collection of race numbers for those who did not purchase a t-shirt will be open on the morning of the race Sunday 1st March from 9am to 10:00am.

To access the hall come around the right hand side of the school building as you are facing the school towards the back of the building.



If you require any assistance, we will have a help desk at the race number collection point in the Scoil Réalt na Mara.

Please quote your bib number at number collection, you will receive a text with this on Saturday..

Getting to the start line:

The start line for 2026 is on the main street of Ballycotton below the church. Signage and stewards will be present on race day to guide you to the start line. Race starts **@10:30am sharp.**

Please allow yourself 10 minutes from number collection point to the start line.

To get to the start line exit the school and turn right as if going towards the lighthouse.

Parking:

Parking is only offered in the official race car park. Which is located on Church Road. As you come in to Ballycotton turn right at Seachurch and continue up the hill for approximately 0.5 of a mile. This will be signposted also. **There will be no parking available on the main street of Ballycotton, in the school grounds or in Seachurch Car park on the day.**

Please ensure to park responsibly and not to block private entrances. Please obey the stewards and the Gardaí in this matter. Note: Due to the ongoing wet weather, the use of the designated field for parking may not be available. In this instance, we would ask that you follow the steward's directions as we attempt to park cars throughout pre-determined areas. Keep an eye on race page on facebook to clarify parking plan on the day.

We would ask all participants to carpool where possible.

Bag Drop Area:

There will be no bag drop area available, although there will be a classroom open for those who wish to leave a bag in the school. **Race organisers take no responsibility for anything left in the school.**

Route:

The race will begin on the main street below the church. The route takes the road out of Ballycotton and follows the road to the right onto the Bog Road at the Bog road bend which is shortly after the 1 mile mark. It then continues North along this road for approximately 0.75 of a mile before turning left at Ballynamona cross and continues West for approximately 0.9 of a mile before turning left again in a Southerly direction. This short section lasts for about 0.6 of a mile and includes the steepest incline of the route before turning left again and heading for home in an Easterly direction for the last 1.8 miles approx. After passing Seachurch, the athletes will take a sharp right into the school grounds where the finish line will be on the half way line of the school yard.

Entrants will then continue walking up to the Community hall where refreshments and toilet facilities will be available.

Please move on from the finish line quickly to avoid congestion and potential hazards.

Please find attached a map of the route. Mile markers on route map are approximate.

Prize Giving:

Prize giving for the top 3 ladies and men will take place in the Community Hall. All other individual and category prizes will be sent by post after the event.

Refreshments:

Refreshments will be provided by local families in the Community hall after the finish line. Please feel free to come and enjoy the refreshments and friendly atmosphere!

Toilets:

Toilets will be available in the Community hall and in the school building which will be accessible from behind the school. Toilets will also be made available in The Blackbird and The Schooner on the morning of the race.

Results:

All results will be available live on the myrunresults.com

Scoil Réalt naMara would like to wish everyone running a safe and enjoyable day.

