



DEAR NEIGHBOUR,

Welcome to the latest edition of the Platin Local Community Newsletter.

I have just recently taken over the role of Platin Works Manager from David O'Brien who has been promoted to the role of Director of Cement Operations for the UK and Ireland. I wish David well in his new role and thank him for all the great work he has done with the team in Platin over the past 8 years.

I first started my career with Irish Cement back in 2007 as a Graduate Mechanical Engineer. Since then, I have held a number of roles in the cement industry including some assignments overseas. I am delighted to be back in Platin at this exciting time as we push ahead with our fossil fuel replacement project and invest in new initiatives to help us meet our climate action targets.

As you know we had a great turnout of our neighbours at our open day in September to celebrate 50 years of cement production in Platin. Along with the rest of the team in Platin I look forward to future opportunities to welcome you to our cement factory.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or comments.

Yours sincerely,

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PLATIN BIODIVERSITY MURAL OFFICIAL OPENING



In October we were honoured to have Minister of State Ossian Smyth officiate at the opening of the Platin Biodiversity Mural. Painted by local artist Ciaran Dunlevy (right), the original idea for a mural was put forward by John McDermott who works in Platin to brighten up this corner of the cement factory. Working diligently for weeks both on and off site Ciaran has produced a beautiful mural celebrating the local plants and animals that inhabit the Platin cement factory. Also in the picture is Ray Molyneux, Managing Director of Irish Cement.

(Photo by Greg Curley)

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS AT PLATIN



In September over 600 people visited Platin to tour the factory and help us to celebrate Platin's 50th Birthday.



**HAPPY 50TH
BIRTHDAY**
50 YEARS AT PLATIN



**RAISING
FUNDS**
FOR SOSAD IRELAND



**CEMENT
VISIT**
DROGHEDA EDUCATE
TOGETHER

ON YER BIKE!



We have some committed cyclists on the team in Platin and they were out in force for a 50km charity cycle to raise funds for SOSAD Ireland. SOSAD work tirelessly to raise awareness and help prevent suicide in Ireland and offer support and services free of charge to communities around Ireland. Thanks to Geraldine Watterson and Stephanie Hayes for coming down to the event. Later the same week Gabrielle Fox who works in Platin and her sister Orlagh teamed up to complete the 24hr Cycling Challenge at Mondello Park. Well done to all for supporting this important cause.

DROGHEDA EDUCATE TOGETHER TY VISIT



We were delighted to welcome an enthusiastic class of Transition Year students and their teacher from Drogheda Educate Together Secondary School to visit the Platin cement factory. Pictured here in front of one of our quarry trucks. During their visit Helen Bennett from Platin presented the students with their GAA jerseys which are proudly sponsored by Irish Cement.

HAPPY RETIREMENT TO DOREEN



After over 40 years in Irish Cement Doreen Maher retired this summer. Doreen started with the company in 1979 as a Telephonist/Receptionist, then moved to a Laboratory Assistant role in 1994. In 1995 Doreen took charge of the stores department in Platin. Best wishes Doreen and hopefully you will have plenty to smile about for years to come.

CAREERS EVENING IN OUR LADY'S COLLEGE



Thanks to all the Third Year and Transition Year students (and their parents) that met our Irish Cement team, (pictured above) at the recent Careers Exploration Evening which was held in Our Lady's College, Drogheda. There was great interest and lots of questions for the lads about future career opportunities in the cement factory.