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November Newsletter

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Scoil Mhuire Christmas Carol Service

Keep free **Thursday 15th December**, as we are planning to have a whole school Christmas Carol Service and Nativity Play in St. Mary's Church @ 7pm. Children to be seated for 6.45p.m.

Further details to follow.

Cake Sale

Please support the Cake Sale being organized by the Parent's Association on Friday 25th November in the Community Centre.

Parent Teacher Meetings

As you are aware, Parent teacher meetings will take place this week and the school will close for pupils at the earlier time of **2.30pm on Thursday 24th Nov.**

For the parents who chose their meeting by phone, these phone calls will take place at a designated time between Mon 21st and Wednesday 23rd Nov.

All face to face meetings are scheduled for Thursday 24th Nov.

Aladdin Connect & Communication

As you are aware, it was essential that you were registered with Aladdin Connect and had downloaded the App in order to book appointments for all the Parent Teacher meetings.

Going forward, we will be using the Aladdin Connect App as our means of efficient communication with you, the Parents / Guardians, including the sending of school reports at the end of the school year.

However, until January 2023, we will be using a blended approach whereby communications will be sent by Aladdin notices and emails alongside Textaparent and the normal emails. This should give us ample time to become familiar with the Aladdin system. We will notify you when the Aladdin system becomes the one and only form of communication.

In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact the school office, if you have any difficulties with the Aladdin App, as we really want all parents / guardians to be comfortable with it.

Please feel free to contact the school via Aladdin with any messages or absence notes. We are hoping that this new system of communication will be of as much benefit to you as it is to us.

Student Council

We are delighted to announce that our Student Council for the 2022 – 2023 school year has been formed.

The council represents the voice of the students in our school and they will work to help improve the life of the school for all.

Many thanks to all the pupils in Second Class to Sixth Class who put themselves forward for election.

Student Council Representatives for 2022 / 2023

- Second Class: Mary Moen & Evan Kirk
- Third Class: Emma McGuigan & Naoise Dolan
- Fourth Class: Maebh Kirk & Ruairí McCarron Walsh
- Fifth Class: Amy Brennan & Jayden Bogue
- Sixth Class: Amy Fanthorpe & Sean O'Connor

We wish all the Student Council Representatives, na Ceannairí, success and fulfilment in their new roles.

Accelerated Reader

The Accelerated Reader Programme, for pupils in Second Class to Sixth Class, commenced on Monday 7th November. So far, there has been a notable improvement in the motivation to read and an increase in the amount of time the pupils are spending reading. This is to be commended and encouraged, as being an independent reader is the key to much success and enjoyment. Keep up the great work!!

Gymnastics

Gymnastics for all pupils began on Thursday 10th November and will continue until Thursday 15th December when it will conclude with an air track on the final day.

Shoe Box Appeal

Team Hope wish to thank you all for your generosity in donating 123 Christmas Shoe Boxes to their charity this Christmas. They also wanted me to inform you that this was the largest donation from all the participating schools in Monaghan. Well done Pupils and Parents of Scoil Mhuire!!

Peace Proms

Peace Proms rehearsals are continuing every Tuesday 3pm to 4pm for the pupils in Rang V & Rang VI.

Lotto

There has been a great response to the Lotto this year. My sincere thanks to those who have volunteered to collect various routes and to all those who have subscribed on the routes and through the school. We are so fortunate to have full access to a community centre and to an astro turf on our doorstep and we also get such a welcomed donation to the school each year.

The first draw will take place this Tuesday evening, 22nd November @ 8.30pm in the Community Centre. Results are published in the Clontibret Notes in the Northern Standard every week.

Well done and many thanks!

I thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Yours sincerely,
Elizabeth Moorehead
Principal