



December 2023

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

As the festive lights twinkle and the year draws to a close, I am delighted to reflect on the joyous December we have experienced here at Scoil Mhuire. This month has been a tapestry of vibrant Christmas activities that have brought warmth and excitement to our school's heart. Our pupils, your daughters, have truly embodied the spirit of the season, approaching each activity with zest and a smile that could outshine any Christmas decoration!

Your unwavering support has been the wind beneath the wings of our festive endeavours. Whether it was through helping with costumes, attending performances, or simply encouraging your child's participation, each gesture has contributed to the success of our celebrations.

As we all look forward to spending time with family and friends, I wish you a Christmas filled with laughter, love, and the making of cherished memories. May the New Year usher in happiness and prosperity for you and your loved ones.

Nollaig Shona daoibh go léir agus Athbhliain faoi mhaise daoibh. May the peace and blessings of Christmas be yours, and may the coming year be filled with contentment and joy.

With warmest regards,

Liz Uí Bheinéid

Principal



End of Term

Please note that the school term will conclude tomorrow, Friday, December 22nd, at 12 PM.

To facilitate a smooth departure, Junior and Senior Infant classes will be dismissed slightly earlier at 11:50 AM.

We urge all parents and guardians to exercise heightened caution when driving near the school entrances during dismissal time. Given that Scoil Eoin and Scoil Mhuire will be releasing students simultaneously, it is essential to approach the area slowly and patiently. Quick or inattentive driving can be particularly hazardous, especially with the excitement of the holidays. We also implore you to be extra vigilant of our young students who will be in high spirits. Please also remind your daughters to be especially careful as pedestrians during this busy time. We appreciate your cooperation in ensuring everyone's safety. Thank you!

School Council

As we conclude this term, we reflect on the productive sessions our School Council has enjoyed. This period has been marked by engaging discussions on school policies, the discussion of new initiatives, and addressing topics that hold significance for our pupils. It's through these meetings that we ensure the voices of our girls are heard and their interests are represented in the ongoing development of our school.

We look forward to continuing this positive momentum in the upcoming term.



Scoil Mhuire PFA



The Parents & Friends Association (P.F.A.) of Scoil Mhuire would like to thank those of you who contributed to our very successful Cake Sale on the 8th of December. The array of cakes and treats for sale was incredible. The girls thoroughly enjoyed coming to the Halla and making their selection. A huge thank you to all the parents who dropped in cakes on the morning of the sale and an even bigger thank you to the volunteers who helped throughout the day serving the girls. The Cake Sale raised an impressive €1115 which will go towards various activities for the girls throughout the year. The PFA School Calendars, which contain a class photo and the calendar for the year are still available for sale at a cost of €3. We were very lucky to have Santa visit us on Tuesday to help with the Raffle. Congratulations to all the prize-winners. Finally the sale of the Christmas cards raised an incredible €1078.60 for the school. A big 'thank you' to the PFA committee for their hard work in organising all these PFA fundraising activities.

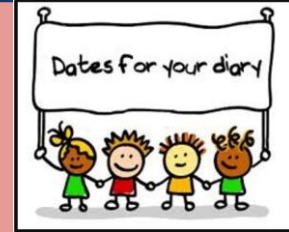


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Christmas Concert

We're truly grateful for the wonderful turnout at last Thursday's school-wide Christmas performances. Our pupils' dedication to their class acts really paid off, culminating in a spectacular production. Their hard work, energy, and collaborative spirit were on full display, and as teachers, we couldn't be prouder of them. Working with these girls is consistently rewarding.

Such events create lasting memories for your daughters, and they wouldn't be possible without our committed staff, who work tirelessly behind the scenes. A heartfelt thanks to each staff member at Scoil Mhuire; your talent and dedication truly make a world of difference. Déanann sé difriocht indeed.



DATES TO REMEMBER

Dec 22nd (Friday, 12 noon): Christmas holidays begin.

Jan 8th, 2024 (Monday): School reopens after the Christmas holidays.

March 8th (Wednesday, 10.30am): Scoil Mhuire Confirmation

May 11th (Saturday, 11am): Scoil Mhuire First Holy Communion.

Other School Closures for the 2023-'24 school year
Bank Holiday: Monday, 5th February

Spring Midterm 2023:
Thursday 15th & Friday 16th

St Patrick's Day Break:
Monday, 18th March

Easter: Friday, 22nd March (last day of term); reopen on

Monday, 8th April

May Bank Holiday: Monday, 6th May and Tuesday 7th

June Bank Holiday: Monday, 3rd and Tuesday, 4th June
End of 2023-'24 School Year: Wednesday, June 26th.

Hair and Hygiene Reminder for School

As we continue to maintain a healthy and safe school environment, we kindly ask for your assistance with two important matters.

Firstly, we would like to remind you to ensure that your daughter's hair is tied back while at school. This helps to keep their hair neat throughout the day and is also a good practice for hygiene.

Additionally, please make sure that each girl comes to school with a small washbag containing a hand towel and a pack of tissues. These items are essential for personal hygiene and will greatly assist in our ongoing efforts to keep our school community healthy.

Your cooperation with these requests is greatly appreciated and contributes significantly to the well-being of all our students and staff.

Thank you for your attention to these details.

