

EOLAS

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Scoil Mhuire, Ballincollig

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Guardians,
Welcome to the third and final term of the school year – a term always full of energy, activity and celebration here in Scoil Mhuire. Over the coming weeks, we look forward to many special events including Active Week, School Tours, the School Disco, our Family Festival, and of course, the celebration of First Holy Communion. It is also a time when pupils work hard to complete their learning across all curriculum areas.

As we move into the warmer months, I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents of the importance of the correct school uniform. Pupils are permitted to wear their school t-shirt with their pinafore on uniform days, especially during warmer weather. In line with Department of Education guidelines, pupils should wear a sunhat on sunny days and we advise the application of suncream each morning before school.

I wish all our families a successful, happy, and enjoyable summer term. Let's hope the sunshine continues to bless us over the coming weeks!

Le gach dea-ghuí,
Liz Uí Bheinéid
Principal

Reminders

- 9th May - PFA School Disco
- 14th May - 'Bi Cinealta' Staff Training (school closure 12 noon)
- 24th May - First Holy Communion
- 29th May - Cork Primary School Sports
- 8th June - PFA Family Fun Day
- 16th June - Active & Wellbeing Week

Upcoming Events

SCHOOL TOURS

- 27th May - 5th Class: Oysterhaven
- 6th June - Senior Infants: Leahy's Farm
- 6th June - 3rd Class: Smuggler's Cove
- 10th June - Jun. Infants: Grenagh Farm
- 10th June - 4th Class: West Cork Secret
- 11th June - 6th Class: Ballyhass
- 19th June - 1st Class: Just 4 Fun MTU
- 24th June - 2nd Class: Let's Go Trabeg



Important Reminder about Phone Use at School

In line with our school policy on pupils' use of phones within the school environs, we remind all parents and pupils that only pupils from 4th to 6th class are permitted to bring their phones to school. Once inside the school gates, phones must be switched off, and given to the class teacher for the school day. Pupils may only switch on their phones once outside the school gates at the end of the day.

Other types of personal communicative devices, such as smartwatches with messaging and calling are not permitted to be worn by pupils.

Thank you for supporting these important rules around devices, which ensure the privacy and safety of our whole school community.



Healthy Eating Programme

The 'Food Dudes' Healthy Eating programme is making its return to Scoil Mhuire for a week, starting on the 19th of May. This exciting initiative encourages healthy eating habits among students by introducing them to a variety of nutritious foods in a fun and engaging way. Over the course of the week, students will be sampling fresh fruits and vegetables while learning about the importance of balanced diets and good nutrition. The program aims to inspire positive changes in food choices and promote a lifetime of healthy eating. More information for parents can be found at the link below.



Keep up to date with our weekly media posts on X [here](#).



Food Dudes information and resources for parents can be found [here](#).