

Letter to Families

Dear Parents & Friends,

Having spoken with the Board of Management and the staff of Scoil Mhuire it is with regret that I wish to inform you the parents that I will be resigning from my post of Principal of Scoil Mhuire at the end of this school year. I have been appointed to the position of Principal of Caragh National School which I will commence this September.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my time here in Scoil Mhuire and in the community of Ballymore Eustace. It has been a privilege to serve the school as principal and to work with people in the community. I wish to thank the Board most sincerely for their constant support and guidance over the last two years. I would like to thank John McCarville and Monsignor Wilson for their sound advice and clear judgement during my time here.

It has been a pleasure getting to know and work with the staff here in the school. Scoil Mhuire is a lovely place to come each day and this is a result of the family atmosphere that is always present in the school. There is a very positive and welcoming culture of learning here and the children are lucky to have such a dedicated and hard- working staff.

I wish to thank you the parents for the trust you have placed in me over the last few years. I have enjoyed getting to know you and all the families of the children in our school. I want to especially thank the Parents' Association for their continued efforts in raising funds to make this the best possible school for all our children.

But most of all it has been a pleasure getting to know all the children of the school. Watching them coming to and from school with a smile on their face each day and been most rewarding.

I wish the school every success for the future.

Slán go fóill,



Scoil Mhuire Newsletter

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May 2019

It is hard to believe we are at the end of May already. Not only has the month flown by, but the school year too!!! As always life in Scoil Mhuire has been very busy. There are some important pieces of information in this month's newsletter for you to consider.

Scoil Mhuire will close this Friday at 2:40pm for 1 week and will reopen Monday 10th June.

You may be aware that we conducted the **Drumcondra Reading and Maths** standardised tests this month as is the procedure in most primary schools. This year the tests were redesigned by the Educational Research Centre. This happens periodically to rebalance the results to better reflect the standards across the country. Please don't be overly alarmed if your child's STEN is lower than previous years, as this is to be expected. However, if you wish to come in and discuss it further, please make the necessary arrangements.

Communion

We had a fantastic day last Saturday for our First Holy Communion. The children of 2nd Class received Communion from Monsignor Wilson. I wish to thank most sincerely Ms Mary Mescall for all her work in preparing the children so well for communion this year. Thanks to Ms Kenny and Annona for all their help also. Thanks to the choir and Ms Farley for their lovely music on the day. And of course thanks to Monsignor Wilson for such a lovely ceremony. Much thanks to the parents group for all their help this year and to the Parents Association for their help on the day. Thank you to Colm Lambe also for videoing the ceremony.

Calendar 2019 -2020

2019

Return to School	2 nd September 2019 @ 9am
Halloween Break	Closing Fri Oct 25 th – Mon 4 th Nov.
Christmas	Closing Fri Dec 20 th - Mon 6 th Jan.

2020

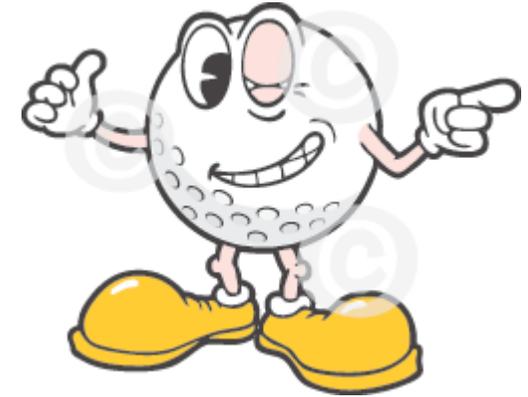
February Midterm	Closing Thurs & Fri 20 th & 21 st Feb
St. Patrick's Day	Closing Mon 16 th & Tues 17 th March
Easter	Closing Fri 3 rd April – Mon 20 th April
May Bank Holiday	Closed Mon 4 th & Tues 5 th May
Communion	Date to be decided in September
June Bank Holiday	Closed Mon 1 st , Tues 2 nd & Wed 3 rd
June.	
Summer Holidays	Tuesday 30 th June.

Golf Classic

Friday 20th September

Scoil Mhuire National School Ballymore Eustace Parents Association will be running a once off fundraising golf classic in Tulfarris Golf Club on Friday September 20th 2019. The time sheet runs from 7.30 am – 3.30 pm and there are a limited number of tee times still available.

The golf classic will raise much needed funds which we hope to use for the purposes of the outdoor area to the front of the school which is currently being developed. We hope this area will be used to encourage children to be more active during the day, with climbing frames and balance beams etc.



A team of 4 costs €200 and includes a goody bag and meal for all golfers. The competition on the day will be a four person team event with 2 scores to count on all 18 holes. There will also be long drive and nearest the pin competitions. Overall prizes will be awarded for at least the top ten teams on the day. The prize giving will take in Paddy Murphy's at 9pm on the 20th.

There will also be a silent auction for some exclusive items during the day of the classic. The prizes will be displayed in Tulfarris and in Paddy Murphy's and bids will be taken in the form of a sealed envelope at stages during the day. Details of auction items will follow in due course.

If you are unable to participate on the day tee box sponsorship is available at € 100.

Many thanks to the Parents' Association and especially to Niall Carroll for all the organising of this event which promises to be a great day for our school.

For further information, to book a tee time or book a tee box for sponsorship please contact Niall Carroll on 086 8390619 or niallcarroll1979@gmail.com

