



Scoil Mhuire Newsletter

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Key dates in December:

Monday 16th -Shows: Juniors and Senior Infants 1:15pm in the Community Hall and 1st - 6th 7pm in the Church

Wednesday 18th - "Cinema in my classroom afternoon" (bring a cosy blanket/cushion to school that day)

Thursday 19th - Book and bake sale in the Community Hall in aid of Cork University Hospital. Please support.

Friday 20th - School closing for Christmas holidays at 12:30pm and reopening January 6th 2025

Children can wear Christmas jumpers, t-shirts, dresses etc on the day of the holidays

Christmas Shows

The children are busy preparing for their Christmas shows, and we look forward to sharing their hard work with you.

A fundraising collection box will be available at the door with all proceeds going towards school resources to benefit the children.

Staffing Update

Mr Bennett will be leaving our school at the end of this term to take on the role of Principal at Kilmagner School. Mr Bennett has made a lasting impact during his time with us, and we are deeply grateful for his dedication and contributions.

We are pleased to announce that Ms Fogarty will step into the role of class teacher in our special class. With her experience and commitment, we are confident she will continue to provide excellent support and care for our students. A substitute teacher will be appointed to our supply panel in the coming weeks.

We welcome Ms Kvostye to our staff as Seniors/1st class teacher whilst Ms Keane is on leave.

5th and 6th class Amberley

The 5th and 6th class children will be singing Christmas carols in Amberley nursing home, Fermoy on December 17th. We sincerely thank Tom Cavanagh's Coaches for generously providing the bus free of charge.

Bake sale

The Student Council has been busy organising a festive countdown to the holidays. Starting from the 19th, look forward to: "Cinema in My Classroom", Bake & Book Sale in aid of C.U.H. and an Active Flag disco break. They will be seeking donations of baked goods and books-details will follow.

Book Club

A Book Club has started at lunchtime Mondays for 3rd to 6th class children, where they will enjoy reading and discussing a book together.

Swimming

Swimming lessons for 2nd -5th classes for the second term will begin in January. Further information will be sent out to all the classes involved.

Recent Events:

Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Scoil Mhuire proudly participated in the Team Hope Christmas Shoebox appeal. The initiative offered families a meaningful way to reflect on the values of giving and how even a small gift can bring immense joy to children less fortunate. 49 shoe boxes were collected.

Science Week

Lismore Heritage Centre hosted hands-on, interactive science workshops for Juniors -3rd class in our school.

Mini 7's Blitz

A selection of children from 4th, 5th and 6th played brilliantly in the Mini 7s blitz in Banteer. The girls won all their group games but lost their semi-final to Analeentha. The boys also topped their group, won a thrilling semi-final, and finished as runners-up to Ballygown. Two great days of football, with all students making the school proud!

Green Schools

Five Green-Schools committee members attended a Lifetime Lab workshop as part of their work towards the Global Citizenship Marine Environment Flag. Activities included games, a presentation, and creating mosaics from marine litter.

Active Flag Committee

The active flag committee continue to work diligently to organise and facilitate engaging active yard activities every Friday during lunch break.

Cold/Wet Weather

As the winter weather settles in, we kindly remind parents and guardians to ensure children are dressed warmly and appropriately for the colder, wetter days ahead. Coats, hats, and other suitable clothing will help keep them comfortable and healthy during this season.

As we approach the festive season, the staff of Scoil Mhuire would like to wish all our families a happy, safe, and peaceful Christmas. Thank you for your support throughout the year, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back in the New Year!

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Margaret Sheahan