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Dear Parents,

Firstly, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the extremely warm welcome to Scoil Mhuire. It has been an extremely busy week. It was great to meet some of you this week and I look forward to meeting you all in the new year. It is clear to see that the school is a vibrant and happy place. The children are very proud of their school and the staff go above and beyond to enrich the lives of the students. I look forward to maintaining a stable and inclusive place of learning for everyone. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Miss Margaret Sheahan who led the school brilliantly over the past number of weeks and has been a great help to me also during the transition period. Roll on 2025.

Trevor Grumbridge

Mr Bennett

While this week is a joyous one, there is also some sadness in the air as the school says goodbye to Mr Bennett. Mr Bennett has been appointed as principal of Kilmagner NS. On Wednesday last the BOM presented Mr Bennett with a gift to thank him for his fantastic service to the school. The pupils and staff will say slán to Mr Bennett tomorrow. He will be sorely missed in Scoil Mhuire by everyone. In his time here in Scoil Mhuire he has had a huge impact on the school. He will, thankfully, still be seen in and around the village with some other initiatives. We wish him all the best in his new post. Go n-éirí an bóthar leat. Thank you Stephen!

Christmas Week

Christmas Concert

There was a magical night in the church on Monday. 6th class expertly performed It's a Census, Get Me Out Of Here! All the actors were magnificent. 6th were accompanied by the other classes who performed the songs for the show with real aplomb. The climax of the show was a beautiful Whole-School Christmas Carols Performance. Well done everyone. Thanks also to the parish for the use of the church and to Noreen for her support.

Visit to Amberley

On Tuesday last the pupils of 5th and 6th Classes visited Amberley Nursing Home. The children performed an array of Christmas songs and played some lovely instrumental pieces. The residents seemed to really enjoy the performance. There was also time at the end for the pupils to mingle and chat with the residents. All in all it was a lovely trip. Thank you to Amberley for having us.

Tom Cavanagh Coaches

We would also like to thank Tom Cavanagh and his staff for transporting the children free of charge to Amberley.

BOM Presentation to Mr. Bennett

On Wednesday our BOM Chairperson Mrs Margaret Twomey presented Stephen with a gift on behalf of the BOM. The children were again in fine voice as they sang Congratulations and Celebrations to Mr. Bennett. Stephen then said a few words and thanked all the staff, BOM, parents and most importantly; the pupils.

Bake/Book Sale in aid of CUH Children's Ward

On Thursday in the Community Hall, the Student Council organised a Bake/Book Sale. This was a great success and all the funds collected will be forwarded to the CUH. The children enjoyed the experience and it provided them with an opportunity to support those who are ill at this time.

Friday

On Friday there will be a Guard of Honour for Mr Bennett near the gate at 12:15pm. So if any parent can attend at this time, it would give them an opportunity to say slán. Please, be extra vigilant of safety tomorrow as there will be large crowds (including infants) exiting the school at home-time. The school closes at 12:30pm tomorrow and reopens on January 6th.

Thank You

On behalf of the staff, BOM and pupils, I would like to wish you all a peaceful and happy Christmas. 2025 will provide us with some exciting opportunities I am sure. Thank you again for all your support to the school during 2024.

Mr Trevor Grumbridge

