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ST. MOCHULLA'S NEWSLETTER

Principal's Message.

Dear Parents,

Welcome to our school newsletter. I hope everyone had a peaceful and restful Christmas. As we look forward to another busy term here in St. Mochullas I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all the very best for 2016. Keep up to date with what all that is is happening in the school by logging on to our website. Thanking you all for your continued support.

Le gach dea mhéin,
Brian Culloo

Birthday Parade.

Happy birthday to the following people :

Alison Jennings, Tiernan Murphy, James Quinn, Laurynas Turskas, Amy Byrnes, Kayla Curtis, Milo Leyden, Seán Murphy, Saoirse Queally, Cathal Rochford, Adam Cantillon, Evan Collins-McCarthy, Emily Cronin, Faith Freeman, Cassidy O'Brien, Aoife Boyce, Hugo Coote, Tyler Coote, Seán Murphy, Nicole Komissarova, Ada McMahon, Jack O Shea, Lucas Slattery, Michael Cronin, Ryan Curtis, Cleo Moroney, Conor Murphy, Matthew Nolan, Jasmine Peter, Juliette Purcell, Méabh Rochford, Daniel Humphries, Katelyn Leamy, Áine Flynn, Claire Halpin, Ben Kelleher, Mae McCarthy, Leah McInerney, Georgia O'Brien, Daniel Ryan, Rian Carey, Hugh Cronin, Micheál Hayes, Rían McGuire, Adam McNamara, Sam Purcell, Fionn Ryan, Evi Bartlink, Arron Curtis, Labhaoise Fitzgearld, Evan Nugent,

Some Words of Wisdom.

An honest, kind word spoken in love, lifts the spirit and refreshes the soul.

Handball

Congratulations to Aoife Dooley, Aaron Shanahan and Tony Leyden who were members of the Clare Primary Schools Handball team who won the Munster Primary Schools Handball Championships recently. Maith sibh a phaistí. The Clare Primary Schools Handball Championships at under 11 and under 13 will take place at the end of January and St. Mochullas will enter both girls and boys teams at both age groups.

Indoor Hurling.

The boys from 4th class took part in the annual primary school indoor hurling tournament recently and the girls from 5th class will be taking part in the indoor camogie tournament next week.

Alice in Wonderland

On December 11th a unique version of Alice in Wonderland was performed by 6th class in The Courthouse. The play was written and produced by Kieran Sheedy who was ably assisted by Ms Bohan. It was a wonderful experience for the children of 6th class and we are grateful to Kieran for his continued support and interest in drama in our school.

Christmas Pageant

On December 16th St. Peter and Pauls Church, Tulla was the venue for our Christmas Pageant. "A Terrible Beauty is Born" written by our own Helen Forde and performed by all the boys and girls. It was a wonderful production and certainly served as an introduction for the children to the centenary celebrations of 1916.

Active Schools

Well done to the following children who were successful in their applications to become members of St. Mochullas Active Schools Committee, Juliette Purcell, Michael Cronin, Cathal Culloo, Fia Purcell, Aoibhinn O Mahony, Conor McCarthy, Fionn Ryan, Aoife Dooley, Michael Ryan and Eva O Mahony. For more information have a look at the Active Schools Tab on the school website. Congratulations to Jennifer Nicholas in 5th class who came up with our Active Schools Slogan:

Get into the Grove and Start to Move..

Visit to Raheen Hospital

On December 9th the school choir and band visited Raheen hospital in Tuamgraney where they spent the morning entertaining the residents through music and song. They had a wonderful day and the residents and staff of Raheen were delighted with the entertainment.

Sleeping Beauty

On Friday December 18th all the children from juniors to 3rd class headed to UL and had a great day at the Panto, Sleeping Beauty.

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On Saturday December 5th a wonderful community event was held in St. Josephs Secondary School. The Who Wants to be a Thousandaire fundraising initiative in aid of the school building fund was an enormous success. A huge thank you to our 9 major sponsors: Morna Toibín of Tulla Pharmacy, Martin Murphy Builders, Joelles Hair Salon, Liam O Meara Master Butchers, Claire Cavalleri of Bambini Kids Montessori, Ann O Connor of Reflections Hair Salon, Sheila Vaughan of Vaughan Supply, Teach na nÓg Child Care and John Slattery Hygienic Floor Surfaces. Thanks also to all our other advertisers, our parents and the wider Tulla community for helping to make the event such a success. Over €25,000 was raised which will help supplement the grant allocation already received from the Department Education and Skills. Congratulations also to all our prize winners on the evening. Thanks also to our fantastic Parents Association for ensuring the night ran so smoothly.

New Building

Work has commenced on the construction of two new classrooms at St. Mochullas. As part of the ongoing construction we hope to create a link between what will then be a three classroom block and the main school building. We also hope to extend our hard surface play area. However this depends on the availability of the necessary finances. Health and safety is also a concern for the duration of the building works so could we ask that people be mindful of the fact that part of the school is now a construction site. Thank you for your co-operation.

Green Schools.

The green schools committee are encouraging people to participate in the annual garden bird survey. Details of the survey are available at www.birdwatchireland.ie

School Enrolment

St. Mochullas are currently enrolling for the 2016-2017 school year. If you are aware of anyone who is considering enrolling their child in our school and have not already done so, please ask them to contact the school office for an enrolment form.

Swimming

4th, 5th and 6th classes are currently taking swimming instruction in Ennis Pool. 1st, 2nd and 3rd classes will be swimming over the coming weeks. Swimming is part of the PE curriculum and as such all children are encouraged to take part.

Hurleys and Helmets

The school has a limited number of hurleys and helmets available for sale, contact the school office if interested.