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NEWSLETTER 2

Thank you!

To all our parents and students, a huge thank you goes out to you all for your fundraising this year which has helped us to achieve our goal set last term to have a defibrillator installed here at Scoil Mhuire. We had a great Fashion Friday here at school in September. Also we were delighted to present a donation of €285 from our Halloween Fancy Dress Day on October 22nd to Barnardos. Well done to students and staff alike who made a huge effort on the day.

Holy Souls

This month we remember all those we have lost over the years and our students in Scoil Mhuire have been remembering their loved ones through prayer and art. Students throughout the school have designed remembrance leaves and flowers which are on display both here at school and in St Joesphs Church with our senior infants class having their own wreath and wall of remembrance this month also. Below are some of our Senior Infants, Second and Fourth Class pieces.



TEAM HOPE™

Christmas shoebox appeal

Scoil Mhuire NS were proud to take part in this years Team Hope Shoe Box Appeal. We had a number of online donations and on Tuesday our students placed a grand total of 150 boxes into the Team Hope coach which was making its way to the Tam Hope HQ. A huge Thank You to all our students and parents for their donations this year .



Updates

Our GAA training has started back again at Scoil Mhuire with Mr Johnny Coyne. He has begun training with our senior students this term which happens on Clifden pitch every Tuesday after lunch. We look forward to seeing the students progress.

Music classes have also made a welcomed return for our 2nd-6th class students. We were delighted to welcome Marie Walsh back to the school and to hear the various instruments being played again. Classes are running every Thursday so we ask all parents in these classes to ensure all instruments are in each Thursday.

The Scoil Mhuire After school club with Forum is continuing again this term with our 6th class students. So far the students have completed some fabulous projects as they work alongside Tina Jack.

Science Week took place between 7-14th November this year and we were lucky to welcome back Ms Ann Keogh to school. Ms Keogh gave a number of our classes some fun science experiments and demonstrations during the week

We are looking for sponsored prizes to add to our special Christmas draw which takes place on Friday December 16th. If you or someone you know is in a position to sponsor a prize, please email Mr McAleer at: **d.mclaeer@scoilmhuireclifden.ie** by Friday November 26th. Thank you for your continued support.

Notice from National Council for Curriculum Assessment (NCCA) on the Draft Primary Curriculum Framework:

Parents! Do you know that the Primary Curriculum is changing?

What children learn and how children learn in primary school is changing. The proposed changes aim to enhance children's learning in school and provide more relevant and meaningful learning. Parents play an important role in supporting their child's education and so we would like to invite them to share their perspectives on the proposals for a future primary school curriculum.

Want to know more? Visit our website www.ncca.ie/primary

Reminders

Scoil Mhuire will closing on **Monday November 29th** for a half day. This is mandated by the Department of Education to enable teachers to access training for the new Primary Language Curriculum. Infants will go home at 12pm and the rest of the school at 12.15pm using the usual collection protocols.

With the colder weather now in full swing, we would ask that all children have a coat with hood or a separate hat on them at school. In line with current regulations on ventilation in classrooms, we would advise that students have base layers on them under their uniform to keep them warm during school time. Comfortable shoes would also be advised.



Don't forget about the upcoming Christmas event in aid of Jack & Jill on Sunday December 5th in Roundstone Community Hall.

Gurteen Bay lifeguard will become a stable with a nativity scene, with the Clifden Choir singing Christmas Carols. Santa and Mrs Claus will be there on the day too and a raffle will take place with lots of great prizes for young and old.

Starting from 2:30pm.

Junior Infant Nature Trail



Our budding Ecologists in Junior Infants had lots of fun finding all things Autumn inspired on their nature trail last month. The students took a walk through the school grounds with their teachers and completed some fabulous projects afterwards.



Congratulations:

To our singing sensation that is Ms Wallace who has welcomed a baby boy last month. Both mum and baby are doing well and we want to wish all the Wallace family a massive congratulations on their new baby brother!

Congratulations also to the 6th class students of 2021- now in Clifden Community School who made their Confirmation on October 21st in St Jospeh's Church. It was wonderful to see all the past students again and we wish them every success going forward. We hope they enjoyed the celebrations.

Finally, we would like to congratulate our 3rd class students who made their First Holy Communion on October 9th. Well done to Mr Lee and Ms Wallace who helped the students in preparing for their special day.

