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An Uaimh,
Co. na Mi.*

February 2026

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The children in Scoil Mhuire have been very busy so far this term!!

1. Mid Term Break:

The school will close on **Thursday 19th February** and **Friday 20th February** for the Mid- Term Break.

2. Morning Drop:

The school gate between the Senior and Junior schools is opened daily at **9.00 am**. Children should walk to their line in the yard and wait there for their teacher. School begins at **9:10am**. If children arrive in school **after 9:15** they must be accompanied to the reception by an adult and signed in.

3. Absence from School

If your child is absent for any reason there are 3 ways to let the school know:

1. Record the reason on the Aladdin App
2. Make a phone call to the secretary in the office
3. Write a note in the homework journal

4. School Car Park:

A gentle reminder not to block the entrance to our car park at drop off and pick up time. Please use the **parking spaces** provided and reverse into the space as it is safer to see children in front of the car as you begin to drive out. Please drive slowly out of the school as there will be children walking across the car park.

5. Recent and upcoming Events

- Catholic Schools week was celebrated in Scoil Mhuire on the week of 19th January. Sacramental children from 2nd and 6th class attended 10am in St. Mary's church on Wednesday 8th December and 6th January.
- First Penance: This took place in St. Mary's church on Wednesday 28th January. The children were fantastic on the night. Special thanks to Ms. Flynn for preparing the children.
- 6th Class visited the Dáil on Wednesday 28th January.
- Anti- Gravity Fitness: 4th Class have completed their classes and it will continue with 5th Class after the mid- term break.
- Science Blast: This will take place in the RDS on Tuesday 3rd March. 4th and 5th Class are currently working on projects to present on the day.
- World Book Day: We will celebrate this on Thursday 5th March with parental involvement in many classes
- Seachtain na Gaeilge: This will take place from Monday 9th March to Friday 13th March 2026.

6. Junior Infants 2026/27:

If you have a son/daughter who is starting Junior Infants in September 2025 please contact the office for an Application Form as soon as possible. You can also download a form from the school website. Children should attend **pre-school** in the years before starting school. The ECCE scheme is free and parents can avail of it from the time their child is 2 years and 8 months. Please contact Ms. Geraghty or Ms. Hayden if you need more information on pre-schools in the area.

7. Attendance

We are promoting attendance through attendance initiatives that change monthly. Here is what is coming up:

February/ March: Raffle for Smyths Voucher. Every day your child is in school they will get another ticket for the raffle.

March: 9th to 13th March: Seachtain na Gaeilge

16th March to 27th March: Easter Egg Raffle

8. Financial Report

I am attaching the financial report to parents for the school accounts 24/25. Our school is funded by the Department of Education through grants we receive through the year. The grants do not cover all of the costs associated with running our school and you will see there is a deficit for this financial year. It should be noted that this is a lower deficit than last year. As costs continue to rise, we will have to ask parents for more money for buses and trips. Thanks to everyone who contributes to the fundraising we do for our school as it is much appreciated. All money raised goes towards providing the best possible education for all of your children.

Thanks for your continued support.

Fiona Hayden,
School Principal.