



Scoil Mhuire an Fhiacail

October 2017

Music

Music lessons with Michael Grogan beginning this Friday in school. He will be working with all class levels.

Please make sure your child has a D tin whistle for the classes.

There will be ten lessons up to the Christmas break. The cost of the ten lessons will be €10 per child.

Halloween Disco

The children in the senior room are organising a Halloween Disco with the help of the Parents Association. It will take place on Tuesday October 31st. All children welcome. More details to follow soon.

Christmas Family Fun Day

The Parents Association met last night and discussed having a Family Fun Day. More details to follow.

Cash for Clobber

We will be collecting for Cash for Clobber which will be collected on Friday November 10th. Bags can be left in school after mid-term.

Cumann na mBunscoil

The boys football blitz takes place in Feakle tomorrow. There are three teams in their group; Mountshannon/Lakyle and Toonagh. The blitz begins at 11.30 tomorrow. Feakle will play in the first two matches. All support for the team welcome.

Zita's Party

Zita's Mass and party held last Friday night was a great success and enjoyed immensely by Zita and all who attended. I would like to thank Fr. James, the children for their lovely singing and music, and everyone who took part in the Mass. The Parent's Association for all their hard work serving teas and the parents who baked and made sandwiches.

Shoebox Appeal

We will be taking part in the Christmas Shoebox Appeal again this year. The closing date to get the finished shoeboxes back is Friday 10th November and we will give out the leaflets before mid-term.

Newsletter by email:

If anybody who is receiving newsletters by hardcopy and would like to receive it by email please let secretary know.

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EU code week

This week is European code week. All classes are working on various websites as part of the school day developing their coding skills. Feakle is a digital school and we are very lucky to have a bank of laptops and netbooks that the children can use regularly. Recent research from universities suggests that 80% of jobs that will exist in 2025 don't exist **today**.

Maths Week

Next week is National Maths Week. Similar to last year all classes will put a special emphasis on maths in the world around us. We would ask all parents to do similar at home. Children will be participating in maths trails, group work, ICT fames, board games and art activities using maths.

Our Healthy Eating Policy

This is going well and we would like to remind you that treats can only be included in lunch boxes on Friday.

School Drop-off Times & Collection

The school doors open ten minutes before the commencement of the school day at 8.50am. Children should not be dropped to school before this time. There is one teacher on supervision duty from 8.50am at the school gate. Infant parents please ensure your child is collected at 1.40pm and remind others who are collecting not to park in front of gates.

Christmas Annuals and Cards

This year the children will be making their very own Christmas Cards. Over the coming weeks the children will finalise their card design following which they will be sent to the printers. The cards come in packs of ten and will be available to purchase for €8. The school will earn €3 per pack of cards sold. This money will go towards having a Christmas treat before the Christmas holidays. Leaflets will be given out before mid-term.

Dates for Your Diary

- October 27th: Feakle Freaky Feet Friday
 - October 31st Halloween Disco
 - October 27th - November 6th: Mid term
 - Friday 10th November Cash for Clobber
 - November 15th Lees Road
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- May 12th: Holy Communion
 - November 19th: Enrolment Mass (Confirmation)

Lees Road

The following boys and girls have qualified for the Cross Country Final in Lees Road on November 15th. **Boys U8 team:** Paul McMahon, Jack Moloney, Daragh Walsh, Jayden Lennon, Noah Lennon, Mark Hogan. Aoibheann Daly, Áine Daly and Sophie Conway. We wish them the best of luck. Training continues every Tues from 2.45 - 3.15 All welcome

Uniform Policy

Thank you to all parents who gave feedback towards the uniform policy. These comments will be taken into account when finalising the policy. The policy will be published once ratified by the Board of Management.