

**Scéalta 10**  
**News & Information for**  
**St. Mochta's National School Community**  
**9<sup>th</sup> November 2016**

**Mid-Term Break**

Welcome back. We hope everybody enjoyed their mid-term break.

**School Closure – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November**

Please note the school will be closed for all children to facilitate a training day for teachers on the New Primary Language Curriculum for Primary Schools.

**Parent/Teacher Meetings**

Parent/Teacher meetings will take place on 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> November. Letters regarding your appointment will be sent home this week.

**Christmas Fair – Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November 1-5pm**

Yes it is that time of the year again where the PA are urgently seeking volunteers for the Christmas Fair **(Please see attached flyer)**

The format is similar to other years, with one or two tweaks!

Help is needed with sorting and set-up anytime on **Fri 25<sup>th</sup>** (from 1.30-7/8pm) and **Sat 26<sup>th</sup>** (from 10am ). Even for an hour or as suits.

Then of course **Sun 27<sup>th</sup>!!** Run a stall, help at a stall....., clear up/ tidy up, ... again, even for an hour.

Areas/ stalls: **Face Painting** (in particular!), **Sweet Shop**, **Book/ DVD/ CD stalls**, **Coffee Shop**, **Toy room**, **Bottle stall**, **Cakes**, **Games** (hook-a-duck, hoopla, play your cards right, lucky dip, score a goal..), **homework vouchers**, **tattoos**, **Grotto** ....

Please email the [parentsassociation@stmochtas.ie](mailto:parentsassociation@stmochtas.ie) ASAP if able to volunteer and help in ANY (or ALL!!) of the above **days** and **areas**, and specify if you have a particular area of interest or happy to be placed as needed.

Many thanks to those who have emailed to date, and thanks in advance to those who will!

The PA committee

**Science Week**

Next Monday sees the start of Science week. Children from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> are invited to make the best paper aeroplane they can with just one A4 piece of paper. Class heats will take place on Monday, with finals to take place on Tuesday. On Wednesday all children will participate in exciting science experiments. 6<sup>th</sup> class students will be showing their Intel projects on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November and parents are invited in from 9.30 a.m. We hope everyone enjoys this exciting week.

**Upcoming Sacramental Meetings**

Enrolment Ceremony for First Holy Communion takes place at 7pm on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November in St. Mochta's Church.

**Parking safely in the local neighbourhoods**

We ask parents to respect the surrounding neighbourhoods when parking. Please do not block driveways and most importantly, under no circumstances should any parent/guardian allow their child to get out of the car while in traffic, this is extremely dangerous. Please wait until you are safely parked to let children out.

### **Healthy Lunch Policy**

Please remember our Healthy Lunch Policy when preparing lunches, you can find this on the school website. We encourage children to drink only water, milk, unsweetened juice or sugar-free squash. Try to include at least one piece of fruit/veg. We request that you do not send in any crisps, fizzy drinks, chocolate, biscuits, sweet buns or cakes. We appreciate your help in encouraging and promoting healthy eating for our children.

### **Music Lessons**

Experienced teacher available for group violin, tin whistle or piano lessons at very reasonable rates  
Tin Whistle classes available on Tuesdays after school starting in January. Instruments provided and the cost per class is €3.50. If interested, please email your child's name and age to : [musicclasses@yahoo.com](mailto:musicclasses@yahoo.com)

### **After School Programme: European Elite Soccer: Education & Fun.**

European Elite Soccer in association with St Mochtas F.C. will run an after school programme for all children in the community of Dublin 15. The idea of the programme is to provide a fun & safe learning environment, where the children can play football and be introduced to extra curricular education through sport. The programme will run every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon from 14:30 - 16:00, starting the week of Tuesday November 8th, running until Thursday December 15th. Cost is €12.50 per session (Tuesday or Thursday), or €60.00 for a 6 week block. The students will be collected, and registered outside of the national school at 14:30, and walked to St Mochtas F.C. The programme finishes at 16:00, where parents will collect the students at St Mochtas F.C. All our coaches are UEFA qualified and Garda vetted, with an educational background in sports science and physical education. At all times the students will be supervised by professional staff, with a max ratio of 1 student to 10 players.

For more information check out: [www.eesacademyire.com](http://www.eesacademyire.com)

Call: 01-531200 or 085-2108185

Email: [info@eesacademyire.com](mailto:info@eesacademyire.com)

### **Bethany Bereavement Support Group**

There will be a talk in St. Mochta's Pastoral Centre on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November at 8pm. Three members of the community will share their experience of **Coping with the Loss of a Child** (unborn, infant and adult child). Everybody is welcome to this free talk. For more information please call 086 2479216 or email [bethanybereavementgroup@stmochtasparish.ie](mailto:bethanybereavementgroup@stmochtasparish.ie)

### **Art Class**

Miss Mackle will be running a new Art Class for 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> classes. Classes will begin on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November from 2.30 – 4.00p.m.at a cost of €75 for 9 sessions.

## Maths Week

### Maths Eyes Poster Competition Winners

Class Level	Place	Name	Teacher
Senior Infants	1 <sup>st</sup>	Jack Casey	Ms. Reilly
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lochlainn Wall	Ms. Kennedy
1 <sup>st</sup> Class	1 <sup>st</sup>	Luke O'Connor	Mr. Cryan
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Penny Cherry-Hughes	Ms. Hegarty
2 <sup>nd</sup> Class	1 <sup>st</sup>	Orla Burge	Ms. Schmidt
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ethan Brogan	Ms. O'Mahoney
3 <sup>rd</sup> Class	1 <sup>st</sup>	Timea Deac	Mr. Kenny
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ciara Chawke	Mr. Boner
4 <sup>th</sup> Class	1 <sup>st</sup>	Christopher O'Leary	Ms. Gorby
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Noelia Deac	Ms. O'Donoghue
5 <sup>th</sup> Class	1 <sup>st</sup>	Emily Dunne	Mr. Mullarkey
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sophie Kelly	Ms. Mackle
6 <sup>th</sup> Class	1 <sup>st</sup>	Ciaran Maher	Mr. Terry
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Devon McCarthy	Ms. Cummins

### Quiz Winners

3 <sup>rd</sup> Class	4 <sup>th</sup> Class	5 <sup>th</sup> Class	6 <sup>th</sup> Class
Aizee Nugba	Jesse James Tubalado	Eoghan Healy	Hazel Aigbonkonkon
Ruben Deac	Reece McCarthy	Cian Doyle	Emma Lyons
Laoise Kenny	Cian Duffy	Amy Slater	Mark Dromey
Ethan McCormac	Sean Foley	Callum Ward	Rua O'Donoghue
Saoirse Phelan	Jack Teong	Tanay Gupta	Robin O'Halloran Larkin
Imene Khennache		Ayesha Aziz	

**Well done to every pupil who participated in the Poster Competition. The standard is getting better every year.**

**We hope pupils enjoyed all the activities arranged during Maths Week.**

**A special thank you goes to Ms. Brennan for co-ordinating all the activities.**