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News & Information for
St. Mochta's National School Community
2nd May 2018

Fundraising - We urgently need your help

A special email regarding fundraising for our new school build was emailed to you at the end of last week. . Please join the Committee. For further details or information, please contact Fiona O'Connor at stmochtasparents@gmail.com.

School Booklists 2018/2019

An email with the booklists for the next school year, will issue to all parents towards the end of this week. Michael Doherty School Supplies is the preferred supplier for St. Mochta's as our school earns a commission when books are ordered through them. A link to the ordering page on Michael Doherty's website will also be included. We would encourage all parents to avail of this convenient online option to order your school supplies, however if you do not have an online option at home, please complete the paper form that will issue and call Sarah at Michael Doherty on 01-4636680 and you can pay over the phone.

Orders must be placed by 16th May 2018 to guarantee delivery to the school before the end of this academic year. Many thanks to our Parents Association for co-ordinating this on your behalf.

Diary Dates

- Normal school hours will apply on Friday 4th May 2018. The school will be closed for the May break from Monday 7th May 2018 to Friday 11th May 2018.
- Drumcondra Testing for children from 2nd Classes will be completed from 15th May to 17th May 2018. Please ensure your child attends school on these dates.
- Please note that all Junior and Senior Infants will finish school on Friday 18th May 2018 at 11.20am. This is to facilitate a visit by our incoming Junior Infants, September 2018.
- Drumcondra Testing for children from 1st and 3rd to 6th Classes will be completed from 22nd May 2018 to 24th May 2018. Please ensure your child attends school on these dates.
- Please note that as St. Mochta's National School will be used as a polling station for the forthcoming Referendum to be held on Friday 25th May 2018, there will be no school on that day.

Help with swimming activities and school tours – Become Garda Vetted through the school!

Thank you to all of our parents who give so generously of their time to support school activities. We really appreciate it. To enable us to continue participating in activities such as swimming, school tours, sporting events, etc., it is essential that we have parents to help us. We are required to Garda Vet all of our volunteers and invite you to become Garda Vetted through the school. Further details and forms are available from the office. Please call in or call 01-8210499.

Sports Updates

- Hard luck to our soccer team who were defeated last week.
- Congratulations to our Hurling Team who beat Scoil Grainne, Phibblestown, last week. The team now qualifies for the quarter finals of the Cumann na mBunscol competition. We will keep you updated. Thanks to Mr. Brennan for all his work with the team.
- Well done to our cricket team who beat Tyrrellstown yesterday in the next round of the Leprechaun Cup in Porterstown. The team is now in the final of Dublin 15s section of the Leprechaun Cup. Thanks to Mr. Boner for his work with the team.

Payment Links:

1 st Class	Causey Farm Tour
3 rd & 4 th Classes	Swimming Lessons
3 rd Class	Viking Splash Tour
5 th Class	Crystal Maze

Additional information was emailed to the relevant class level. Please organise payment for your child's school activity via the ePayment link as soon as possible. Further tours will be added shortly. Many thanks.

Global Action Plan Programme Workshops – 4th Class

Fingal County Council offered St. Mochta's National School some workshops on water conservation which were held on Monday 30th April, 2018. We hope the children in 4th Classes enjoyed the workshops and learned something new on water conservation. Thanks to Ms. Carroll for organising this.

New Junior Infants – September 2018

A special meeting for incoming Junior Infants – September 2018 took place for parents yesterday evening. Thank you to all those who attended. To facilitate a visit to the school for our new boys and girls, our current Junior and Senior Infants will finish early on Friday 18th May next – please see 'Diary Dates' above for further details.

Information for 6th Class Children

The HSE has asked the school to distribute information leaflets for parents of children in 6th Class of primary school. This leaflet provides information on HPV Vaccine, Tdap & MenC booster vaccines. Should you require further information please visit www.immunisations.ie. The leaflets were sent home with children today.

6th Class Confirmation Photos

County photos delivered the photos yesterday and they were distributed to 6th Class. If you have any queries, please contact County Photos directly on 090 66 27444.

Costumes & Props Storage

If anyone has a contact in a storage company who could help us in long term storage of our props and costumes could they please email Mr Cryan at stmochtas.musical@gmail.com. Many thanks for your help.

Messages from the PA

○ **1st Communion receptions**

A letter was sent home to all 1st class parents requesting help needed for the first communion receptions in St. Mochta's Parish Centre. There are **two** separate celebrations, both held on **Sat 26th May**, at a 10.00am mass and a 12.30pm mass. In order for these receptions to take place, we need several volunteers for both receptions. If you are able to help in any way on **Sat 26th May** from **9.30 -12pm** (1st reception) or **12- 2.30pm** (2nd reception) - with set up, car-park duty, serving at receptions, and clear up after the 2nd reception, please email parentsassociation@stmochtas.ie

○ **Liberty Clothing collection** - next clothing collection will be on **Saturday 9th June**. Bags will be handed out in due course.

○ **Summer Social- Friday 22nd June**

After the huge success of last year's inaugural Summer Social, this years '**end of year**' event for all mummies/daddies/guardians/minders/mates, will take place on **Friday 22nd June 2018**, 7.30pm @ **The Crowne Plaza**, Blanchardstown. This will be a ticketed event. Further details to follow.

Community Notices

- Hansfield ETSS is hosting an open night for enrolment September 2019/2020 on Thursday 10th May 2018 from 6.00pm to 8.00pm. Please click the following link for further information www.hansfieldsecondary.ie.
- A message from Declan Jennings - Westmanstown Gaels GAA Cúl Camp will take place from 9th July 2018. To register on-line, please follow this link <https://www.kelloggsculcamps.gaa.ie/booking/>