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News & Information for
St. Mochta's National School Community
16th May 2018

Fundraising Committee Meeting 17/5 – 8.00pm at St. Mochta's National School

Please join the Committee. For further details or information, please contact Fiona O'Connor at stmochtasp@gmail.com. A meeting of the Fundraising Committee will take place at the school tomorrow night, Thursday 17th May 2018, at 8.00pm. You are welcome to attend.

School Book Orders for the Academic Year 2018/2019

The Book List, including stationery supplies, required for your child for the next academic year was emailed to you before the mid-term.

Michael Doherty School Supplies is the preferred supplier for St. Mochta's National School as our school earns a commission when books are ordered through them. We would encourage all parents to avail of this convenient online option to order your school supplies. The link to the ordering page for this supplier is outlined below.

Should you decide to order your books through Michael Doherty's, all orders must be placed by this Friday **18th May 2018** to guarantee delivery to the school before the end of this academic year. Further details will follow to let you know when the books are available for collection.

Please log on to: www.baggedbooks.ie and enter the code: **MOCHTA18**

Any queries can be referred to Sarah at Michael Doherty's at 463-6680. Many thanks to our Parents Association for co-ordinating this work on your behalf.

Book Rental Fees and Art & Craft, Pupil Insurance Fees

Electronic payment links will be set up shortly to enable you to pay for the above fees for the next academic year.

Diary Dates

- Drumcondra Testing continues this week for children in our 2nd Classes and will be completed tomorrow, 17th May 2018.
- Please note that **all Junior and Senior Infants will finish school on Friday 18th May 2018 at 11.20am. Please collect you child/children on time.**
- 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.

New Junior Infants – September 2018

We look forward to welcoming our incoming Junior Infants – September 2018 to our school on Friday 18th May 2018. *(To facilitate this visit, please note that all current Junior and Senior Infant Classes will finish school at 11.20am on this day).*

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

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.

Swimming Lessons

Swimming Lessons for children in 3rd and 4th Classes start this week and will continue over the next number of weeks. A separate timetable was emailed to the parents/guardians of all students participating. All payments should have been made at this stage. We hope your children enjoy the classes and learn the valuable skill of swimming. Many thanks to our parents who will be assisting the teachers in walking the children to/from the swimming pool.

2nd Classes – First Communion

Final preparations are being made for the children preparing to celebrate their First Holy Communion at St. Mochta's Church on Saturday 26th March 2018. A special letter will be emailed towards the end of this week to all families of children in 2nd Classes giving further details. Thank you to all the teachers involved in helping prepare our First Holy Communion Candidates.

Sports Updates

- Our Cricket Team participated in the Leprechaun Cup at Castleknock College yesterday and represented the school so well. We are very proud of all who participated. The Team were runners-up of the Dublin 15s section of the Leprechaun Cup and were delighted to receive their medals. Well done. Thanks to Mr. Boner for his work with the team.
- Our Camogie Team play in a match at Somerton today. We wish the team all the best. A special thanks to Ms. McNally and Ms. Fitzgerald for all their work in preparing the team.
- The very best of luck to Rachael Boucher, Caoimhe Burge, Siobhan McCann, Sarah Martin and Alex Martin as they represent st Mochta's National School in the Leinster Confined Schools Swimming Championships in Kilkenny this Sunday 20th May. We wish them well.

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 (June 1 st)

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.

Are you moving house/area over the coming months?

St. Mochta's National School has a substantial waiting list for all class levels. If you have a child in any class from Junior Infants to 5th Class and you know your family will be moving out of the area (particularly over the summer) and have to leave our school, please inform the office by email st_mochtas@eircom.net or by ringing 01-8210499.

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

- 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/>