

**Scéalta 38**  
**News & Information for**  
**St. Mochta's National School Community**  
**27<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

**Summer Holiday**

We wish all our of families a happy and safe holiday for the summer months. It has been our pleasure to have your child with us this year. To any child leaving our school this year, we wish you every success and happiness wherever your journey takes you.

It has been another great year and we thank everybody involved in the life of our school for making it the great place it is in which to learn and grow. We look forward to seeing most of you again at the start of the new school year on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2018.

**School Finishing Times on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June**

Junior & Senior Infants	11.15 am
1 <sup>st</sup> Classes to 5 <sup>th</sup> Classes	11.30 am

**Will your child be returning to St. Mochta's National School in August**

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 5<sup>th</sup> Class and you know your family will be moving out of the area over the summer and have to leave our school, please inform the office by email [st\\_mochtas@eircom.net](mailto:st_mochtas@eircom.net) or by ringing 01-8210499.

**Time to say – Farewell and Thank You**

Our wonderful colleagues, Liz Davis (SNA) and Gerry Conroy (Caretaker) are retiring from St. Mochta's National school at the end of this school year. Their presence, commitment, dedication and professionalism to St. Mochta's National School Community over the years will be greatly missed and never forgotten. We wish them the very best as they begin a new chapter.

**Attendance Awards**

These awards will be presented to children from all classes who have missed none, one or two days during this academic year. We congratulate them on this great achievement.

**Medications held in School**

If any medications/epi pens for your child are held in the classroom or at school reception, please organise to collect them on or before Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2018. As we will be moving to the new school over the weekend, all items need to be packed on Friday and, therefore, the school will be unable to facilitate collections after that day.

### **First Communion Photos**

County Photos delivered the First Communion Photo orders which were circulated to all the boys and girls today. Should you have any queries, please contact County Photos directly on 090 66 27444 or email [info@countyphotos.net](mailto:info@countyphotos.net).

### **5<sup>th</sup> Class Students**

Information and application forms for Edmund Rice College have been issued to children in 5<sup>th</sup> Classes.

Applications for most local secondary schools have now been sent home. However, if you have any queries, please contact the secondary schools directly for further information.

### **School Books**

For your information, Michael Doherty School Supplies are still accepting orders on [www.baggedbooks.ie](http://www.baggedbooks.ie) using the code MOCHTA18. However, your order will not be delivered to the school until late August. Further information will be issued at that stage.

### **School Payments**

- Links for payment of book rental, art & crafts and pupil insurance, will be emailed to all families one more time before the summer. *Kindly note that fees for book rental, art & craft and pupil insurance have been set-up now for your convenience, however, the fees do not have to be paid until the beginning of the academic year 2018/2019.*
- For your records, receipts of monies paid to the school during the Academic Year 2017/2018 will be emailed to all families over the coming weeks.

### **A reminder of New School Build Updates**

- Over the next number of weeks, we are looking forward to moving into the first phase of our new building.
- From 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018, there will be **no access to our existing building.**
- **During the month of July and for most of August, the school will be closed to visitors.**
- Administration Staff will be moving to their new location during the week 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2018 to 6<sup>th</sup> July 2018 and we will be unable to answer phone calls or reply to email. Should you need to contact the school, we ask you to refrain from calling until the week of the 9<sup>th</sup> July 2018. This information is subject to change depending on how the transition to the new build goes, so please be patient.
- From 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2018, work will commence on the second phase of the school build. This includes the demolition of our existing main building.
- During Phase 2, **there will be no parking and no drop-off zone on the Porterstown Road.** This phase will continue through to the Academic Year 2018/2019. This will be a major inconvenience for both parents and guardians who drop/collect their children using a vehicle. If you need to drive, we are asking you to seek alternative arrangements for dropping/collecting children during the second phase. The health and safety of everybody is paramount, therefore, we are writing in advance to give you notice so that you can make other suitable provisions.

### **Board of Management**

This term's Board of Management Agreed Report was emailed to all families earlier today.

### **Lost Property**

As we come to the end of the school year, the lost property area needs to be cleared. Please take a look and see if you can find a lost top or jacket. At the end of June, any items left will be recycled.

### **Academic Year 2018/2019**

- Listings regarding class teacher and room allocations will be emailed to all parents/guardians and published on our school website at the end of August.
- Additional information regarding entry/exit to/from the school grounds will be emailed towards the end of August.

### **Community Notices**

- Castleknock GAA Summer Camp will take place from 20<sup>th</sup> August to 24<sup>th</sup> August 2018. To register for the camp, please log on to <https://www.campa.ie/castleknock-gaa/>
- Summer Camp for Primary School Children at Scoil Oilibheir - Foirmeacha ar fáil ón Oifig nó [www.gaelchampa.weebly.com](http://www.gaelchampa.weebly.com), (Barry - 0851905150)
- Summer Superswim Week for young children – [www.jsswim.com](http://www.jsswim.com) at Junction 6, Castleknock.