

Scéalta 8
News & Information for
St. Mochta's National School Community
18th October 2017

Registration Dates Junior Infants 2018

Application forms for Junior Infants starting in September 2018 are available now for collection. Due to Storm Ophelia, registration will now take place on **23rd, 24th & 25th October 2017**. Please call into the office to pick up a form. No postal applications will be accepted.

Junior Infants

Health Screening Vision and Hearing Consent forms were circulated to all children last week. Please return these forms in the school bag and ask your children to hand them directly to their teacher. All forms should be completed and returned no later than Friday 20th October as the HSE will collect them on this day. Many thanks.

First Communion Meeting

The meeting for parents whose children are making their First Communion next year will take place next Wednesday 25th October 2017 at 8.00pm in St. Mochta's Church.

Maths Week

This week is 'Maths Week' in our school and it will continue on to Monday and Tuesday of next week. The children are enjoying Maths trails around the school and chess tournaments in their classes. Our pupils have also entered the **Maths Eyes Poster Competition** and the winners' entries will be displayed in school reception after the competition. Thanks to all of our teachers for organising an exciting week for our children.

School Closures

- School will close at normal times on Friday 27th October next for our mid-term break. The school will remain closed for a week and will reopen on Monday 6th November 2017 at 8.50 a.m.
- The next Primary Language Curriculum training day for St. Mochta's National School will be Thursday 16th November. The school will be closed to students on that day.

Halloween celebrations at St Mochta's- Friday 27th October

- Children from Junior Infants to 1st Class only are invited to come to school in Fancy Dress (optional). No hand held implements please. Children in Infants to First who don't want to wear fancy dress can opt for No School Uniform instead. Please do not go to any unnecessary expense!
- For children from 2nd to 6th Classes, Friday 27th October will be a non-uniform day.

News from Hawaii!

Well done to Mr. Kenny who completed the Ironman World Championships 2017 in an amazing time of 9:31:29. On behalf of our whole school community, we would like to send him sincere congratulations. We are in awe of his achievement and look forward to welcoming him back to St. Mochta's.

Parent Association Messages

Many thanks to all the parents and volunteers who helped with our clothing collection on Saturday 14th October. We hope to run another clothing collection in February 2018.

Please see below a list of upcoming activities.

Thursday 26th October 7.30pm	There will be a talk on 'Supporting Parents to Support their Children's Mental Health and Well-being'. All parents are welcome to attend this talk which will be held in the school hall.
Sunday 3rd December	will be the date for our 'annual festive fair'. 'Team Raffle' are busy collecting prizes and sponsors for our <u>Monster Raffle</u> and welcome any donations from parents/ businesses. If you are in a position to donate/ support in any way please email Fiona at parentsassociation@stmochtas.ie