



**Final Scéalta  
News & Information for  
St. Mochta's National School Community  
June 2017**

**Great Community Spirit – A big thank you**

Following an appeal for Dads to come and help us with the BIG MOVE yesterday, there was an amazing turnout. We would like to extend our sincere thanks to all of our parents and friend volunteers who came into school yesterday to help with our classroom move. We could not have done this tough job without your time and support. It was a great success and we're delighted to report that all class rooms were moved in record time. We feel very lucky to have such a fantastic school community. Míle Buíochas.

**Summer Holidays**

We wish all of our families a happy and safe holiday over the coming months. It has been our privilege and pleasure to have your children with us this year. To any child leaving our school this year, we wish you every success and happiness, wherever your journey takes you. We wish everybody a safe and relaxing summer break and look forward to seeing most of you again at the start of the new school year on 31<sup>st</sup> August.

**Summer School Closure- Reminder**

School will finish on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017 for Infant children at 11.20 am and 11.30am for all other classes.

**Time to Say – Farewell and Thank you**

We also say goodbye and good luck to Ms. Considine who leaves us to move to London and Ms. Ryan who leaves us for the US. We are grateful for all of their work in our school and wish them every success in their teaching careers. They will be greatly missed by all in St Mochta's.

**Our School Building – Changes for our New Year**

Our builders will be busy working over the holidays and our school will be very different when we return. Five classrooms on St. Mary's corridor will be demolished, St. Benedict's and St. Vincent's will also be demolished. The builders will place hoarding around the site before this work starts. Our yards will be significantly reduced next year. We will only have one main yard, plus some additional space behind the PE hall for 900 children. We need to make space for 32 lines and will be practising lining up with all classes tomorrow. As a result, **there will be no space for parents on the yard each morning.**

Parents will be asked to drop your children inside Gate No. 2 each morning. Children will be asked to turn left and to walk to their lines. Adults will be asked to turn right and walk on paths around the car park to exit via a new gate. Thank you in advance for your full co-operation with our new one way system. **This new system is for health and safety reasons.**

New junior infant parents can drop to the lines for the first days of school until our new infants adjust to the routine.

**Thank you to Lollipop Ladies**

A big **Thank You** to our Lollipop Ladies for all the work they do throughout the year to ensure our children are kept safe on the roads. In particular, they provided every child with a lollipop to celebrate the end of the year. Thank you so much Lucy, Bridie and Bettina.

### **Class Teacher & Room Allocations 2016/2017**

This listing will be published on our school website and emailed to all parents at the end of August.

### **Micheal Doherty Book Delivery**

Huge thanks to the PA for their work in ensuring all books delivered to the school from Michael Doherty School Supplies were distributed to parents. Please check that your order is correct. If there are any problems, please contact Micheal Doherty directly on 01 4636680.

*Please note:* that if your order was placed late, your books may not be delivered on time, but will arrive at the school at the end of August.

### **Art & Craft and Book Rental 2016/2017**

We are still accepting Art & Craft Fee and Book Rental Fees for all class levels. Thank you to all those parents who have paid these to date. We are encouraging all parents to use our online facility to pay your child's fees. These fees must be paid in advance of your child starting school in September. E payments will be accepted up to the end of August. To facilitate on-line payments, links for outstanding payments will be emailed next week.

### **Attendance Awards**

Congratulations to all the children who received Excellent Attendance Awards last Monday.

### **Lost Property**

If your child has lost any part of their uniform or any other items of clothing please check the Lost Property Rail located in St Patrick's Corridor. The items in Lost Property will be recycled next week.

### **Are you leaving St. Mochta's National School?**

If you are moving over the summer holidays or your child is not returning to St. Mochta's next September for any reason, please notify the office as soon as possible at 8210499.

### **Sports Day**

A big thank you to all our class teachers, for organising the fun activities on the sports days for each class level.

### **Trócaire Collection**

We would like to thank all who supported the Trócaire Campaign. We are delighted to announce that €2,062.11 was raised. On behalf of Trócaire, thank you for your generosity.

### **Past Pupils**

We are very proud of all of our past pupils.

- Fionn Camacho Linehan has been selected to play on the U15 Irish Waterpolo Team. We wish him the very best of luck as he represents Ireland in a competition in the UK in July!
- Well done to all our students – past and present – who represented their clubs in the National Féiles recently. The girls 2003 team representing Westmanstown did their club proud at the nationals. Well done also to the 2003 Boys Castleknock team who won their division 3 National Féile. Congratulations to you all.