

Scoil Mhuire agus Eoin.

Mayfield T: 021 4503003 E: scoilmhuireagusEoin@gmail.com
NEWSLETTER • TERM 1, 2018/2019

'Together We Can Do Great Things'

Year 2 of our newly amalgamated school is busy as we fill our days with new experiences and opportunities for our children.

The development of Scoil Mhuire agus Eoin as a vibrant place of learning is our priority. Our involvement with NCCA (National Council for Curriculum and Assessment) ensures our voice in the redevelopment of the Primary Curriculum and keeps us aware of the latest trends in teaching and learning. We are providing additional valuable experiences for our pupils through the Digital Excellence Programme and the Creative Schools Programme. Our new Special ASD class is a wonderful addition to Scoil Mhuire agus Eoin, we are all learning so much.

In addition we have been exploring the concept of Nurturing Schools of which you will hear more going forward. As always we appreciate and value your support as parents and look forward to your continued involvement with us as together we grow our new school.



Our school walk was held in beautiful autumn sunshine and provided a perfect opportunity to collect for the nature tables! Esther Considine (pictured above with 2nd class) recently retired after over 18 years of service. We wish Esther lots of happiness on her new chapter in life. She will be sorely missed.

Road Safety Week



Road Safety week is an important event every year in the school calendar. The 1st and 2nd classes took part in the "Seatbelt Sheriff" and "Hi-Glo Silver" RSA programmes, while the Early Start and Infants Classes (pictured) were taught how to cross the road safely by our lollipop lady, Amanda.



Every Wednesday is met with great excitement by the Senior Infants and 1st classes who are enthusiastic participants in a fast-moving hurling session with Paddy Corkery!



Our more senior pupils are representing us well on the GAA scene with the boys and girls of 5th & 6th class partaking in Sciath na Scol.

3rd class were also involved in an athletics programme with training for four weeks, culminating in a blitz in Neptune Stadium.





Construction and engineering is a huge part of the STEM curriculum and begins very early on in the Early Start and the Infant Classes. As you can see from these wonderful creations, we have many aspiring architects, builders and engineers in our midst!



4th class are busy putting together the arena in preparation for the Vex Robotics Competition while 2nd class got "hands-on" robotic experience with the help of Michelle Gaul from Stryker, a past pupil of Scoil Mhuire Banríon.



6th class were introduced to Raspberry Pi by Mr Begley & students from Mayfield Community School. This small computer can be used to learn programming in a fun way. Some 6th class students also completed an hour of code which is a one-hour introduction to computer science.



Science is such a popular and exciting subject where children love to learn through experimentation. During Science Week the Infant classes had great fun with mixing and 1st class taught the parents a thing or two about magnetism! 6th class enjoyed working on a Marine Biology project and 2nd class created their very own tornado in a bottle.



Maths Week



Scoil Mhuire agus Eoin was very busy during Maths Week with many classes presenting puzzles, rhymes and maths facts each morning. Many classes did maths trails in the school yard, and older children shared their knowledge with the younger classes. Even the parents were challenged with a maths puzzle to solve. Well done everyone!



Message from the Board of Management

Our new school continues to go from strength to strength. Our recent Open Day for new Junior Infants and prospective new pupils was a great success. It certainly had the biggest attendance of new families in recent years. Our community is very proud of the progress of Scoil Mhuire agus Eoin and the possibilities for forthcoming years are enormous. That progress is down to the contribution of so many people, wonderful pupils, hardworking and creative staff members, committed and dedicated Parents' Association, supportive and appreciative families along with experienced leadership within the school and among the Board of Management. Every success to all in Scoil Mhuire agus Eoin in 2019 and every blessing for the Christmas period ahead.





Creative times in Scoil Mhuire agus Eoin

Halloween brought us a fantastic variety of costumes with all children getting the chance to show off their spooktacular moves at the Halloween disco!

A huge thanks to the Parents' Association for all their hard work organising this tremendously successful day!



5th classes and their parents were lucky to be involved in a Halloween art project which combined art and flower arranging. They were thrilled with their fabulous creations.



Both 1st classes had the wonderful opportunity of receiving a tour of Crawford Art Gallery. It was a terrific learning experience and inspired the children's own oil pastel exploration of the work of Pablo Picasso.



With Christmas fast-approaching, Senior Infants enjoyed working on some festive creations with the help of the lovely people at Graffiti.



A message from The Parents' Association

The Parents' Association would like to take this opportunity to thank all students, teachers, parents and sponsors for another fantastic term. Without everybody working together we would not be able to make the term fun and run events. So far this year we have had a coffee morning in aid of Marymount, a Halloween disco party and a non-uniform day. We still have Christmas to look forward to and hopefully Santa will find time to visit us again this year. We are always looking for volunteers and you can keep in touch with us through our Facebook page Scoil Mhuire agus Eoin Parents' Association - come and give us a like!



Dates for your diary:

Christmas Holidays
School closing Friday, Dec 21st 2018
Reopening Monday, January 7th 2019

