



## Scoil Mhuire

### Newsletter – September 2022

Our school website is updated regularly, so be sure to check it out!

[www.scoilmhuireleixlip.net](http://www.scoilmhuireleixlip.net)

Remember to check the class pages as well as the home page.



A warm welcome back to all our pupils and their parents and guardians. We hope that you had an enjoyable summer and are settling back into school. We would like to say a big welcome to our Junior Infants and the pupils starting in our school for the first time this year.

Welcome back to all our staff. We also welcome Mr. Cokely, who is working in Room 3.

#### Student Council:

The student council has been formed for the 2022-2023 year. Sixth class students were invited to apply for the positions of Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer. Following interviews four candidates were elected for these roles - Samanvitha, Grace, Freya and Jamie. Elections were held on September 23rd to appoint class representatives. Classes filled in ballot papers and 6th Class tallied the votes and representatives were deemed elected once they reached the quota. We look forward to seeing what initiatives the student council promote for this school year.

#### Green Schools:

This year National Walk to School Week was held on the 19th to 23rd September. Many children made a great effort to walk, cycle or scoot during this week. On the Wednesday, National W.O.W (Walk on Wednesday), 202 students walked, scooted or cycled to school. This was an amazing amount, well done! There were ten lucky winners in the school raffle.



Goal Jersey Day: Every year we get involved in 'Jersey Day' which raises money for GOAL. On Friday 14th October, children can wear a jersey of their choice or a coloured top and bring €2 for GOAL.

Maths Week: From Monday 17<sup>th</sup> to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> of October the school will celebrate Maths Week. As always, there will be many Maths activities organised in school. The school website will also post problems and puzzles to do at home. We will also host our annual Maths Week Photo Competition, so be sure to check out the webpage for further information!

**Halloween:** The school will run the 'Decorated Pumpkin' competition again this year. The past two years have been a huge success and there were so many outstanding entries! Students can decorate a pumpkin at home, by themselves or together with their siblings, and bring it into school on the 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup> of October.

Students are invited to dress up for Halloween on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Oct.

Here are a few reminders:

- **Website:** We are fortunate to have such a great website, so keep an eye on it to stay informed of what is going on in your child's class and in the school:  
[www.scoilmhuireleixlip.net](http://www.scoilmhuireleixlip.net)
- **Full uniform**, including black shoes, must be worn everyday.
- **PE Tracksuit** and runners must be worn on PE days.
- **Label** all belongings - coats, jumpers, lunchboxes, drinks containers.
- Every child should have an **art shirt** in school.
- No mobile phones allowed in school.
- If your child is **absent**, please fill in the reason for absence on Aladdin Connect.
- The roll will be called daily at 10.20am. If your child misses the roll, they will be marked absent.
- **Timekeeping:** Please make sure your child is on time for school each morning (9.20am).
- If your child must **leave school early**, please come to the main door and sign the 'sign out' book.
- We are a **Green School** so try to avoid bringing tin foil, cling film and cartons. Try to walk or cycle to school, especially on Wednesdays.
- **Healthy Lunches:** In line with our healthy lunch policy, children should bring a healthy lunch to school - please do not bring crisps, sweets, cakes or fizzy drinks.
- **Nut-free school:** Please do not send food containing nuts (such as chocolate spread) in your child's lunchbox. We have a number of children in the school with nut allergies.
- Please ensure that **homework** is completed and signed every night by an adult.
- Please pay school payments to the office by the end of next week if you haven't done so already.

**Upcoming Dates:**

14 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Goal Jersey Day
17 <sup>th</sup> - 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Maths Week
24 <sup>th</sup> - 26 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Decorated Pumpkin Competition
28 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Halloween Dress-up Day
31 <sup>st</sup> Oct- Nov 4 <sup>th</sup>	Mid-term Break
7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	School Reopens

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**BRAVER**  
THAN YOU BELIEVE,  
**STRONGER**  
THAN YOU SEEM,  
*and*  
**smarter**  
THAN YOU THINK.

- A. A. Milne -