Check out the school website for more information and pictures!

Scoil Mhuire

Newsletter - September 2020



-WELCOME-BACK TO SCHOOL

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. It has been a very successful first month. We would like to say a big welcome to our Junior Infants and to all those children starting in our school for the first time this year.

Welcome back also to all our staff. We especially welcome our new members of staff - Ms. Flynn, Ms. Kerr and Ms. Kelly.

We would like to congratulate our wonderful 3rd class children who finally got to make their First Holy Communion on the 19th of September. It was a special day for the children, their families, the school and the Parish. It was a lovely ceremony and the children all looked fantastic on the day. We say a special thank you to their teacher Ms. de Barra and to Ms. Doyle, Fr. Karl and Ella, our parish worker for preparing the children for the ceremony.



School life has resumed with great gusto! It is super to see everyone settling in so well. Each class is busy setting up their own routines. The **Student Council elections** are taking place this week. Due to Covid 19 restrictions, this year's representatives will be from the two 6th classes and 4th class (The Red Section of the building).

We look forward to a year of hard work and great fun!

Covid 19 Response Plan:

Many thanks for all your cooperation with our Covid 19 Response Plan.

- Next week there will be a change to the morning arrangements. From Monday 5th October children can come to school between 9.15am and 9.25am.
- Please remember to wear a mask when dropping and collecting children.
- If a child arrives to the school before the school gates open, please make sure that they stand in by the fence so people can pass by easily.
- If Junior Infants are settled, feel free to send them in with their older siblings.
- All teachers have now sent home work packs/books as a precautionary measure in case of school closures. You should also be aware of how Seesaw works.

Goal Jersey Day

Every year we get involved in 'Jersey Day' which raises money for Goal. Next Friday 9th Oct, children can wear a jersey of their choice or a coloured top and bring 2 euro for Goal.

<u>Gardening</u>

We look forward to doing lots of planting in the garden in the month of October.

Here are a few reminders for everyone:

- 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
- Full uniform, including black shoes and a tie, should be worn each day
- PE Tracksuit and runners should be worn on PE days
- Label all belongings coats, jumpers, lunchboxes, drink containers.
- Every child should have an art shirt in school.
- No mobile phones allowed in school.
- If your child is absent, please send a note to the teacher on their return.
- 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 (between 9.15am and 9.25am).
- If your child has to 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. Bring used batteries to school for the battery box and used stamps for recycling.
- Healthy Lunches: In line with our healthy lunched 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 for school payments in the office by the end of next week if you haven't done so already.

Upcoming Dates:	
Oct 9 th	Goal Jersey Day
Upcoming Dates: Oct 9 th Oct 12 th - 16 th Oct 1 st - 8 th	Maths Week
Oct 1 st – 8 th	Photos will be taken of all classes
	for the school calendars.
Oct 26 th – 30 th	School closed for Midterm Break