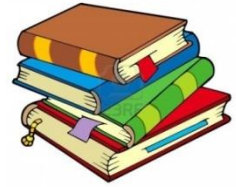


Welcome Back!!



Welcome back to all our pupils and their parents. We hope you had an enjoyable Summer and are settled back at this stage. We would like to say a big welcome to our Junior Infants and all those starting in our school for the first time this year. We also say welcome back to our staff especially Ms Campbell in room 4 who is returning from a career break.

We say congratulations to Ms. Doherty (now Ms. Doyle), Ms. Shelly (now Ms. Lenfestey) and Mr. Swords on their weddings during the Summer.

We are delighted with our new school garden and the refurbished toilets. The next project is to paint the remaining corridors, install new banisters on the stairs and improve the stage in the hall.

At present all classes are working hard. The Green Schools' Committee has been elected, our 6th class students have been assigned their roles of responsibilities in the school and the Student Council elections take place next week. We will have a service for the opening of the school year with Fr. Karl on Friday 22nd in the hall.



Reminders

- **Website:** Check out our school website regularly to keep informed of what is going on in the school: www.scoilmhuireleixlip.net
- **Full uniform** must be worn every day.
- On **PE days**, please make sure your child wears their tracksuit and runners.
- Please **label all belongings** – coats, jumpers, lunchboxes, drinks containers.
- Every child should have an **art shirt and a towel** in school.
- **No mobile phones** allowed in school.
- **If your child is absent:** Please send a note to the teacher on their return. We must inform the National Education Welfare Board if a pupil misses 20 days.
- **The roll will be called daily at 10am.** 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).
- Please come in **Scoil Mhuire gate** only.
- Dogs are not allowed in the school grounds.
- On **wet mornings**, children can line up on the corridors. Children will be supervised so there is no need for parents to wait.
- Remember we are a **Green School** so avoid bringing tin foil, cling film and cartons. Try to walk or cycle to school especially on Wednesdays. Bring used batteries for the battery box. Bring used stamps to school for recycling.
- We have a **Healthy Eating** policy in our school so children should bring a healthy lunch to school – no crisps, sweets, cakes, fizzy drinks.
- Children, parents and grandparents; **bí ag caint as Gaeilge** as often as you can!

- Please ensure that **homework** is completed and signed every night by an adult.
- Please pay **school payments** to the office by the end of the week if you haven't done so already.
- **Security:** All visitors to the school must report to the office rather than going directly to the classrooms.
- Please refrain from taking children out of school for **holidays** during term time.



Upcoming dates for your diary

- Tues Sept 19th 8pm - Ms. O Grady's 2nd Class Parent Meeting
- Wed 20th Sept 7pm - Junior Infant Parent Meeting
- Wed 20th Sept 8pm - PTA AGM – Scoil Mhuire Hall
- Thurs 21st Sept 8pm - 3rd Class Parent Meeting
- Wed 27th Sept 7pm - Senior Infant Parent Meeting
- Wed 27th Sept 7pm - 1st Class Parent Meeting
- Wed 27th Sept 8pm – 4th Class Parent Meeting
- Wed 27th Sept 8pm – 5th Class Parent Meeting
- Wed Oct 4th – Junior Infant Photos
- Wed Oct 11th 7.30pm – Communion Meeting for 2nd Class Parents – SM Hall
- Oct 13th – Jersey Day
- Oct 18th – 7.30pm - Confirmation Meeting for 6th Class Parents – SM Hall
- Oct 27th – Mid Term Break

Please feel free to contact the school if you are unsure about anything or have any concerns.

We are looking forward to the year ahead.

Le gach dea ghuí

Mrs. Mescal, Mrs. McAuliffe and the staff of Scoil Mhuire

