Scoil Mhuire Allenwood N.S.

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1st September

Dear Parents and Guardians, a warm welcome back to each and every child and adult after a wet and dreary summer. I would like to extend a particular 'fáilte is fiche' to our new Junior Infants students as well as the 8 new students that have joined in other classes. I hope that their time here in Scoil Mhuire Allenwood is a happy and positive one.

Many of the children are thrilled to be back in school with their friends and with the routines and structures that they need. Many of the children may be a little tired after the first few days but that is to be understood. Very best wishes to everyone for the coming school year.

Our new Junior Infants



New Staff

Im delighted to welcome back Ms. Bowe and Ms. Shortt to the staff again this year. I would also like to welcome Ms. Quinn and Ms. Leahy to our wonderful team.

Collecting children

If you need to collect your child early from school please Supervision/Insurance call to the school office first, for Child Protection reasons. Fionuala or Carol will get then your child from the classroom.

JI photos

A photographer from the Leinster leader will come to the school on Monday 11th @ 10am to take a class photo of the new Junior Infants.

Summer Works

Over the summer we had a beautiful mural painted on the gable of the front building by local woman Juliette Viodé. We also had lovely new gates installed at the Avenue entrance. Internally we extended the office in the front building as well as retrofitting a SET room.

School Development

Over the last 2 months there were numerous visits from Engineers on our appointed Design team who are currently designing our new school buildings. Kildare Co Co have approved the initial design from the pre-planning application.

Enrolment

A few people have contacted the school recently to enrol their children for next year. As per the Education (Admissions to Schools) Act 2018 and patron oversight we are not permitted to release the 'Applications For Enrolment 2024' until January 2024.

Sacraments

The Parish have released the dates for the Confirmation and Communion for this year's 6th and 2nd classes respectively.

Confirmation 14th March 2024 @ 11.00am Communion 25th May: no time given

Aladdin connect

If you havnt already done so please make sure to download and register with Aladdin connect. This will allow you to check your child's profile, look at their school reports, add absence notes, send messages to the teachers and school office and make ePayments.

After school clubs

Over the next few weeks we will restart some of our After School Clubs. Computer club for 4th class will start on Wednesday next from 3 – 4 o'clock. Slips will be sent out on Monday.

Our insurance company, Allianz, have advised the following circular to be communicated frequently: "The school will open to receive pupils at the hour of 9:10 am

and cannot accept responsibility for pupils arriving before that time. Classes will commence each day at 9.20 and end at 3.00. Parents who wish to have their children escorted home should make their own arrangements to have them met at the school gate and the person to escort them should be at the school not later than 3.00p.m. as the school cannot accept responsibility for looking after the children after that time". Please contact the office if you have any concerns or objections around this arrangement. Is mise le meas Ciarán O'Toole **Principal**