

Scoil Mhuire Knockraha Parents Association Newsletter



April 2024 - PA Committee Term 2
Update

Welcome

Big Welcome to our 2nd Newsletter. We are delighted to share information with you on the activities that have happened over the last term and to give you an update of what is to come.

In our last Newsletter, we introduced you to all of the committee and Annmarie Byrne shared with you some information about herself on why she joined the committee and her vision for the PA committee.

In this terms update, we would like to introduce you to another Ann-Marie Byrne 😊 who is secretary of the Parents Associaion.

This is Ann-Marie's final year and we would like to Thank her for her fantastic contribution for the past number of years.

We hope you enjoy this terms Newsletter.

Term Update



Ann Marie Byrne
Secretary

Message from Annmarie Byrne

My name is Ann-Marie Byrne (Hugh's Mom) and I am the secretary of the parents association in the school. This is my final year in the School and I have clocked up a total of 15 years here in Scoil Mhuire. We live in the village but are not natives 😊. On moving to the village one of the first tasks I set myself was to pop into the school and secure a place for my eldest son. I can still remember the warm welcome as clear as if it was yesterday. The years passed in a blink of an eye, with many cakes baked, lots of cups of tea served and most importantly plenty of hysterics in the company of wonderful Scoil Mhuire Moms (and the occasional Dad!)

I believe the school is the beating heart of the village and involvement in the PAC has resulted in collective camaraderie, fond friendships and I'd do it all again. I'd like to wish the entire school community the very best of everything in the future.

► Recap on Last Term

The Parents Association were very busy last term organising a lot of events and fundraising for our school. From arranging the Students Birthday Calendars, Christmas Cards, Christmas Raffle, Teas and Coffees at the school after the Christmas Concert and of course arranging for the Big Man himself Santa Claus to visit the kids at school. Here are a few photos to share with you from these days.



Adult Christmas Hampers



Kids Christmas Hampers

Big Thank you to SuperValu Glanmire, U-Party Glanmire and to the many parents who sponsored spot prizes and purchased tickets for the raffle.



Term Update

Parents Association Events & Updates

- ▶ **Cake Sales** - We have continued our monthly cake sales. Big Thank you to each of the classes who have made delicious cakes for all the children to enjoy while also raising funds for our school.
- ▶ **Holy Communion** - The Boys and Girls of Second Class will be celebrating their First Holy Communion on Saturday 18th May.
 - If you would like to book a photographer for this occasion, please reach out to the Second Class Reps.
 - We will be reaching out to First Class Parents shortly to help plan on organising a party for the communion children and their families.
- ▶ **6th Class Hoodies** - In Collaboration with Ms. Clynch and the 6th class children, we delivered a beautiful Hoodie to help celebrate their final year in Scoil Mhuire.
- ▶ **Confirmation** - On behalf of all the PAC, we would like to congratulate all the 6th class students on receiving their confirmation.
- ▶ **Class WhatsApp Group** - If you are not part of your child's Class WhatsApp group, please contact the school and they will be able to give you a form to complete to get added so you are up to date with all our events and updates.

Fundraising

We have been advised by Ms O'Sullivan that the money that we raise this year will go to funding IT equipment for the school. This will be a great addition for the school, so thank you all so much for your support in each of our fundraisers.

Financials

We would like to share with you the monies raised from all our fundraising activities Year to Date.

- ▶ This detail has been sent to all parents.

Closing Note

It is hard to believe that we are now in the final term of the school year. The School Community is so important, we want to ensure that we are being as inclusive and welcoming to everyone. If anyone has any suggestions or feedback on other items that the PAC can help with or if you would like to help out, please feel free to reach out to any of the committee members.

We would like to wish you and all the children a great final term and we really hope you enjoy our newsletter.

