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Scoil Mhuire Lourdes
Mill Street, Tullow, Carlow.

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

♦ Opening time reminder: **Junior – Second** class are allowed entry to the school from **8.50am-9am**. Class will start for them at 9am. **Third- Sixth** are allowed entry to the school from **9am-9.10am**. Class will start at 9.10am for them. Please be mindful that supervision before these times may not be available. If you have more than one daughter, please send them in with the oldest sibling.

♦ Thank you: A huge thank you to Cllr. William Paton for sponsoring 2 basketball stands for the school.

♦ New games, books and decorations: Thank you to the PA and Carlow County Council for our new books and games- the children are thrilled with them. Also, thanks to the PA, Tullow Discount Store and the anonymous donations for Christmas decorations this year from those in our community. The school has never looked more festive!!

♦ Student Council: We wish every success to our new Student Council for 2020-2021 as they begin in their new role. We have held our first meeting already and it was a great success!

♦ Hand washing/ ventilation: If you wish for your daughter to bring in her own hand wash and towel she is welcome to do so. Please be mindful of the cold Winter months and ensure that your daughter wears extra clothes to school and has a coat every day.

♦ Footwear and head lice: Black foot wear only please on uniform days. Hair must be tied up at school every day.

♦ St. Vincent De Paul Sale: Will take place on **December 16th**. The children are allowed to wear in their **Christmas jumper on the day for €2**. Please give this to teacher before Tuesday 15th December. There is lots of fun in store on the day. Be sure to bring your money to buy some crafts and take part in the activities 6th class have planned for you such as a movie and treat in your class for €1 and a disco. See www.smltullow.ie for more info and what is available to buy.

♦ Christmas Annuals: Have been ordered but we are still waiting on our delivery to the school. As soon as they arrive we will distribute them to those who have paid.

♦ Christmas Holidays: Please remember that **school will close on Tuesday, 22nd December at 12 noon** for everyone for the Christmas holidays.

♦ Christmas Cards: Each year the children often distribute Christmas cards to those in their class. Unfortunately, this year we are asking that the children **do not bring cards to school to distribute**. This includes invitations to birthdays and events or cakes etc for sharing within the class. Instead the children will be wishing a special Christmas sentiment as a bubble to all those in their class.

♦ Covid 19: Please remember that entry to the school is by prior appointment only. No one will be admitted to the school unless wearing a mask. This is for your protection and that of staff. If you do not have a mask you will be asked to remain outside.

♦ Note for absence: These are essential in the event that your child is absent from school for any reason. They may be examined by Túsla in the event that your child has an accumulated absence. **Please send in a note to the teacher or call the school if your daughter is not in.**

Signed:

Marie Coen (Principal)