

Scoil Náisiúnta Mhuire Lourdes

059/9151875

Mill Street, Tullow, Carlow.

23.01.2024

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back everyone. We hope you all had a lovely Christmas and New Year.

♦ **Enrolment:** Applications for enrolment are taking place at the moment. Forms are available on www.smltullow.ie under 'Scoil Mhuire Lourdes Enrolment' tab or by request from the school. Please email the school to request a hard copy info@smltullow.ie. Completed forms can be dropped into the school, posted or emailed to the office. Closing date is the 29th January 2024.

♦ **Catholic Schools Week:** Takes place from the 21st-28th January 2024. This year the theme is 'Communities of Service'. As we look forward to and begin our preparations for celebrating CSW2024, it is important for each of us to remember those who have gone before us in the hope of the resurrection promised by Jesus.

♦ **Grandparents Day Mass:** A special Mass to remember and celebrate our grandparents will take place on Wednesday 24th January @ 9.30am in the Church. You are invited back to Scoil Phádraig Naofa for some tea, treats and a chat after Mass.

♦ **Invitations:** It is school policy that birthday or party invitations are not given out in the classroom to reduce distress caused to individual children who are not invited. Staff members cannot be involved in the circulation of such invitations, nor are they able to provide a listing of names and contact details of other pupils in the class (in keeping with our school's policy on Data Protection).

♦ **Absence:** If your daughter is absent please call the school on 0599151875, email info@smltullow.ie or via the Aladdin feature to let us know. We must have a record of attendance and absence for all pupils.

♦ **GDPR:** If you wish to opt out of receiving correspondence from the school you are free to do so at any time by emailing your request to info@smltullow.ie

♦ **Standardised Testing:** Will take place during the week of the 20th May-24th May 2024. Please ensure your daughter is in school to complete her tests during this week.

♦ **School Closure:** Reminder: School will be closed for the mid-term break **15th and 16th February 2024**. Schools reopens on Monday 19th February. We are also closed on **Monday 5th February** for the Bank Holiday.

♦ **Activities:** The girls from the Junior School have GAA on Fridays until the 1st March, with 3rd, 4th and 6th having basketball on Wednesdays until the 14th February. 5th class are completing Cycle Right Training every Monday until the 26th February. Please wear your tracksuit on these days and bring extra water if needed.

♦ **School Lunches:** A reminder to order your hot lunch using the school food company application on your phone. Only lunches ordered can be guaranteed to be provided.

♦ **Reminder: PLEASE** do not park/ drop off your daughter at the bus stop at any time. This space is for the **bus only and is not for cars**. The traffic on Mill Street each morning/ afternoon is very busy so we strongly encourage you not to park your car at the front of the school in a bid to alleviate traffic congestion. The safety of pupils is vital and we ask for your co-operation with this.

Signed:

Marie Coen
Principal

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**Scoil Mhuire
Lourdes,
Valentine's School
Disco**

When: Wednesday 14th February 2024

**Where: School Hall, enter via School
Gate**

Cost: €3 per child

**Wear: Comfy Clothes to Dance in
(Feel free to dress up in Red / Pink / White)**

Times are:

• 6pm to 6.45pm—Junior Infants to 2nd Class

• 7pm to 8pm— 3rd Class to 6th Class

****Don't forget to bring a bottle of water
with your name on it****