

**Newsletter**  
**May 2023**  
**Scoil Cholmcille, Mount Hanover**



**Summer Reports:** It's almost that time of year again! The annual school reports will be posted home the week of **June 12th**. If your address has changed since this time last year, please let us know as soon as possible. It is vital that we have your current address on file to ensure that the report is delivered correctly. Please inform the school of any changes: [mounthanoverns@gmail.com](mailto:mounthanoverns@gmail.com) or 041-9839405 or via Class Dojo.

**End of Year Events:**

**Sports Day 2023:** Sports Day will take place on **Thursday June 1st** (weather permitting). Team details have been circulated.

**School Tour:** Whole School Tour to 'Let's Go' in Gormanston on **Friday June 2<sup>nd</sup>**. The 6<sup>th</sup> class tour will take place on **Monday June 19<sup>th</sup>**.

**6<sup>th</sup> Class Graduation:** The 6<sup>th</sup> Class Graduation will take place on **Friday June 16<sup>th</sup>** at **11 am** in the GP Room. Parents and guardians of the 6<sup>th</sup> Class children are invited to attend.

**Sacraments:** Congratulations to the children in 2<sup>nd</sup> class who celebrated their First Holy Communion this month. It was a lovely ceremony and I hope that everyone enjoyed their day. Many thanks to the Parents' Association for the lovely reception afterwards in the GP Room.

**Staff Training:** The school will close for a half day on **Friday June 9<sup>th</sup>** to facilitate staff training in the New Primary Curriculum Framework.

**Collection time will be at 12 noon for all classes.**

**School Garden:** The school is took part in the "Pride of Place" initiative. This is a school garden initiative ran by Meath County Council. Judging took place last week. Many thanks to all our fantastic gardeners and to the 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> class children who showed the judge around the garden.

**A reminder of the 2022/2023 School Calendar:**

**June Bank Holiday:** Closed Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

**Summer Holidays 2023:** Half day closing on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2023.

**School Tracksuits:**

Our School Tracksuit (with crest) is available to purchase in The School Uniform Shop, The Children's Shop and Best Wear in Drogheda.

**School Books 2023:** In recognition of the cost of preparing children for the return to primary school each September, Minister for Education Norma Foley T.D. has announced funding to provide free schoolbooks, including workbooks and copybooks, from September 2023. This scheme will eliminate the cost to parents of providing these resources.

Funding is being provided directly to primary schools by the Department to implement the scheme and schools will now have responsibility for providing schoolbooks, workbooks and copybooks to all children at the start of the school year.

All schoolbooks will remain the property of the school so that books can be re-used in future years. Schoolbooks will be provided on loan to children for the duration of the 2023/24 school year and must be returned to school at the end of the school year.

This scheme does not include art/craft or photocopying fees so these will apply for the 2023 school year (€40). An optional payment for personal pupil insurance will also be available (€9). Payment links will be posted home with the school reports.

**Assembly Winners:** Well done to our prize winners for May. They are as follows:

**Pupil of the Month:** Holly McGuinness, Hugo Harvey, Emilee Rose Crosby, Zack Flaherty, Ellie Weldon, Gracie Curley, Jake Lynch, Caleb Collins, Emmet Freyne, Saoirse Curran, Mia Cassely, Quinn Manley, Jamie Breach, Bláithín Byrne, Megan Hoey & Alex Kelly.

**Gaelgeoir na Míosa:** Cillian Narcisse, Eadie Freyne, Lucy McArdle, Petra Smyth, Shane Woods, Holly Carroll, Enya McGuire & Pádraic McGinty.

**Handwriting Awards:** Darragh Murphy, Cody O'Brien, Katie McEnteggart, Emma Moore, Aoife Cannon, Zara Lewis, Hanna Crosby & Ava McEnteggart.

**Well done everyone!**

**Church Gate Collection:** The Parents Association are holding a church gate collection the weekend of June 3rd/4th. We are looking for volunteers to help out. We will need at least 3 people per mass time. If you can help out, please let us know. Please see the post on Class Dojo for further information.