



# Scoil Mhuire Naofa, Kiltale. September Newsletter.



## Welcome Back!

On behalf of the school staff and the Board of Management I wish to welcome everyone back to Scoil Mhuire Naofa for the 2017-2018 school year. I hope the year ahead will be a successful year of learning, good health and happiness for you and your family. We look forward to working, supporting and collaborating with you to help your child to reach his or her full potential.

We especially welcome the newcomers to our school, our new junior infants:-

**Caoimhe Madden, Casey O'Connor, Kyle McCormack, Luke McKay, Odhrán Phelan, Ronan McMahon, Seán Maguire, Tadhg Purcell, Thea Jean Melligan, Thomas McCormack, Zara Faulkner**

We also welcome **Valeria Alpizar Guevara** and **Parsa Durrani** who have joined senior infants this year

We hope they all have a wonderful first year in Kiltale.

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*The Sixth Class* who left us in June are starting a new exciting adventure in Post-Primary education. We wish them the best of luck in their new schools. We have no doubt that we shall be hearing great things about them in the future as they make their way in the world! Go n-eiri libh!

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**GAA Coaching** We are delighted to announce that Peter Durnin is providing hurling and camogie coaching this term for all classes. This is a wonderful opportunity for all classes to learn our national game. Sincere thanks to Peter on behalf of the parents, children and the Board of Management



**Guess the Score Competition:** We look forward to having fun and raising funds with our annual guess the result of the All-Ireland Football Final Competition. Each family will receive a card today, so please support this fund raiser and sell some lines on the card. All monies raised will be invested in extra curricula activities, ICT and eLearning.

## Active Schools Flag - 'Race Around Ireland'

As part of our Active Schools Programme we hope to start our running challenge next week! Each class will take on the challenge to run each day and will keep a record of the kilometres they run. We will add up all the kilometres we have run by Halloween and see how we managed to run all around Ireland? Pat Diskin is going to come in to school to do Athletics coaching every Friday with 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Class. We ask that the children bring in footwear suitable for running every day!



## Green Schools

We continue with our Green School challenge this year. As part of our Action Plan we hope to:



- ✓ To help our school community learn how to reduce, reuse and recycle.
- ✓ To keep our school litter free.
- ✓ To keep our classrooms clean and eliminate waste bins
- ✓ To reduce the amount of waste/recycling in the school by 50% over six months.

We look forward to electing our new Green Schools Committee for 2017-2018 and getting back to work on our plan.

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**MUFTI Day:** This year as a fund raiser we intend to hold a 'Mufti Day' or 'Non-uniform Day' on the last Friday of each month. Each child will be allowed to wear in their own clothes if they choose and bring in 2euro. The monies raised will go to pay for our dance classes and to support the provision of ipads for learning in the school.



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**Confirmation Day 2018** will be on Friday the 11<sup>th</sup> May at 11.00am