Who wants to be a Thousandaire.

We want to give you a €1000!!!!!!

When: December 5th

Where: St. Josephs Secondary School

Tickets are now on sale for St. Mochulla's Who wants to be a Thousandaire fundraiser.

Tickets are priced at €15 each or four for €50.

Tickets available from:

- Any committee member.
- From the school office at 065 6835840
- Via PayPal at www.stmochullas.com
- At the door on the night

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ST. MOCHULLA'S NEWSLETTER

Principal's Message.

Dear Parents,

Welcome to our school newsletter. It's hard to believe that we are already over the mid-term. As ever life has been extremely busy in St. Mochullas. We have an extremely busy few weeks ahead of us. Parent Teacher meetings are coming up. Also on **December 5th** we have our major fundraising event, "Who wants to be a Thousandaire". This promises to be a great night, so make sure you don't miss it. Keep up to date with what all that is is happening in the school by logging on to our website. Thanking you all for your continued support. Le gach dea mhéin, Brian Culloo

Birthday Parade.

Happy birthday to the following people:

Amy Benson, Shane McNamara, Kacper Blicharz, Alex Moroney, Sarah Byrnes, Sean Collins, Ava Cronin, Donal Culloo, Eoin Culloo, Dylan Culloo, Jessica Donohue, Darragh Donovan, Aoife Dooley, Colin Duff, Celine Flynn, Darius Freeman, Colin Hogan, Tony Huang, Eowyn Ligtvoet, Molly McConnollogue, Áine McEntee, Lauren McGrath, Éabha McNamara, Diarmuid Molloy, Shauna Leamy, Aisling Moroney, Liam Moroney, Clodagh Murphy, John Paul Murphy, Laura Nolan, Sara Noonan, Saoirse O Hare, Meadhbh O Reilly, Joshua Peer, Roisín Sheedy, Jazmin Verhagen, Taylah Vickers,

Some Words of Wisdom.
The only people you should try to get even with are those who helped you.

Cross Country.

On Wednesday September 16th children from St. Mochullas took part in the East Clare Primary Schools Cross Country Championships in Lees Rd. Well done and congratulations to Lisa Nicholas who came first in the girls under 8 race and also to Fia Purcell, Ryan Hayes, Glen McNamara and Dara Ryan who won individual medals on the day. Our under 8 girls team of Lisa Nicholas, Fia Purcell, Evi Quin, Sophie Murphy, Juliet Purcell and Joanna McCarthy also won the team competition, well done girls on qualifying for the Clare Primary Schools Cross Country Championships which will take place on Wednesday November 12th in Lees Road.

Football

Well done to our footballers on reaching the final of the Cumann na mBunscol Primary Schools Football competition recently. Following a hard fought and well deserved victory over Lissycasey in the semi final, we qualified to meet near neighbours Quin in the final. Unfortunately the Quin boys proved too strong for us on the day, however we are immensely proud of our boys who battled hard right to the end. The panel of players who represented the school this year were, Evan Nugent (Captain) Dara Ryan, Tony Leyden, John Moloney, Aaron Shanahan, Aaron Curtis, David McInerney, Diarmuid Molloy, Liam O'Mahony, Matthew Purcell, Jack McSweeney, Sean Withycombe, Michael Ryan, Rian Wrafter, Donal Sheedy, Eoin Donnellan, Lucas Donlon, Colin Hogan, Kevin McGrath, Eanna Culloo, Rory O'Sullivan, Fionn Ryan, and Tadhg Floyd. Well done boys, you did us proud.

Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

Confirmation will take place this year on Saturday April 16th at 11am. Communion will take place on Saturday May 14th.

Welcome Eric and Alan

St. Mochullas would like to welcome Eric and Alan Yan to our school. We hope your time with us will be a happy time.

New Board of Management

With the term of the current Board of Management coming to an end I would like to take the opportunity to thank them for their dedication and hard work and their very positive contribution to life here in St. Mochullas. I would like in particular to pay tribute to the hard work of Siobán Mulcahy who is stepping down as Chairperson of the board after tirelessly working on behalf of our school for the past 15 years. I would like to wish our new board well, thank them for taking on the role and I look forward to working with them over the next four years.

St. Mochullas Board of Management 2015—2019

Chairperson: Michael McMahon Secretary: Brian Culloo

Parents Representatives: Martina Flynn and Edmund Jennings **Community Representatives:** Maura Moloney and Joe Fitzgearld

 $\textbf{Teachers Representative:} \ Mary \ Stack$

Cash for Clobber

Well done and thank you to everyone for your contribution to the recent Cash for Clobber appeal. \in 1670 was raised through the donation of old clothing. Thank you to the parents association for co-ordinating this event.

Parents Association.

Following the recent AGM of St. Mochulla's Parents Association the following officers were **elected**. **Chairperson:** Christine O'Brien **Secretary:** Aoife O'Sullivan

Treasurer: Hilda McGrath.

We are very fortunate to have such an active and supportive parent body in St. Mochulla's who make such a positive contribution to life in the school.

Maths Week

The week Monday October 12th to 16th was Maths Week. The children in St. Mochullas marked Maths Week in a variety of different ways. Some classes undertook maths trails around the school. Mangahigh also proved very popular with some classes. Mangahigh is an online based maths resource which allows the children the opportunity to play maths games against other children around the world. It is a great way for the children to practice maths in a fun way.

Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Once again this year St. Mochullas are delighted to be involved in the annual Christmas Shoebox appeal. Over 150 shoeboxes were donated by the boys and girls of St. Mochullas to the worlds neediest children.

Green Schools.

Congratulations to our new Green Schools Committee, Labhaoise Fitzgearld, Roisín Duffy, David McInerney, Adam McNamara, Jennifer Nicholas, Darragh Donovan, Molly Sweeney, David Duff, Sarah Byrnes, Joanna McCarthy and Seamus Egan. The new committees first task is to coordinated the annual Christmas Decoration Competition.

Children are asked to design their own Christmas decoration out of recyclable material.

Parent Teacher Meetings.

Parent/Teacher meetings will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday November 17th and 18th. These meeting provide the opportunity for you to discuss your child's progress with their teacher. If however you wish to speak to your child's teacher at any other stage please make an appointment through the school office..

Active School

This year St. Mochulla's will be participating in the Active School Flag initiative. This is a non competitive initiative which seeks to recognise schools that strive to achieve a physically active and physically educated school community.

Grandparents Day and National Flag Presentation

On Tuesday October 13th members of the Irish Defence Forces visited St. Mochulla's as part of the governments National Flag Presentation initiative. We also invited our grandparents to the school on the day to be part of the celebration and a most enjoyable day was had by all. Thank you to the Parents Association for providing refreshments on the day.

Hurleys and Helmets

The school has a limited number of hurleys and helmets available for sale, contact the school office if interested.