A Thuismitheoirí /a Chaomhnóirí,

Beatha agus sláinte chugaibh go léir.

Tá súil agam gur bhain sibh taitneamh as na laethanta saoire agus an bháisteach te!

Beidh an scoil ag oscailt arís Céadaoin, 30/08/23 – ba chóir go mbeadh gach duine istigh ag 9.10 r.n.

I hope this message finds you all well and that everyone is looking forward to returning to school. School reopens on Wednesday 30/08/23 – everyone should be in by 9.10am(school gate opens at 9.00am). The school day ends at 2.50 as always for every class except Junior & senior infants finishing earlier at 1:50.

Please see link below for Junior infants start and finishing times until Friday 8th of September.

Here is some information regarding the re-opening of Scoil na gCeithre Máistrí:

**Múinteoirí Ranga are as follows**:

Naíonáin Bheaga – Múinteoir Máirín

Naíonáin Mhóra – Múinteoir Catherine

Rang 1 – Múinteoir Sorcha

Rang 2 – Múinteoir Fionnuala

Rang 3 – Múinteoir Pól

Rang 4 – Múinteoir Tara

Rang 5 - Múinteoir Niall

Rang 6 A- Múinteoir Gearóid

Rang 6 B- Múinteoir James

**School Calendar:** Please click here for our school calendar: <http://ceithremaistri.ie/feilire/>

**Starting and closing times:** Gates open at 9:00 class starts at 9:10 school day ends at 2:50

**Naíonáin Bheaga** please click here for the previous letter that was sent:

<http://ceithremaistri.ie/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/Litir-do-Thuismitheoiri-Nua.pdf>

**Here is the link again for certain items required during the school year.**

<http://ceithremaistri.ie/liosta-don-scoil-bhliain-lists-for-school-year-2023-24/>

**LABHAIRT NA GAEILGE:**

Is “Gaelscoil” í Scoil na gCeithre Máistrí. “Ní scoil Bhéarla í”. Is í Gaeilge teanga labhartha na scoile, níl cead Béarla a labhairt ach ag am Béarla.

As we are a **Gaelscoil**, it is the wish of you, the parents/guardians, that your children become fluent in spoken Irish from an early age. You chose to send your child here because you are aware of the benefits of bilingualism. It is important that you make every effort to speak **‘as Gaeilge’** while in or about our school.

Use any Irish phrase you have! Simple things like Dia duit/ Slán instead of hello/goodbye. Encourage and praise the use of Irish by your child, ask them questions. We’re all part of the **Gaelscoil** family and we are immensely proud of our language and culture!

Tune in to TG4/Cúla4 – we can all brush-up our ‘cúpla focal’ by tuning in to TG4 or Raidió na Gaeltachta!

**TUMADH GAEILGE/ TOTAL IMMERSION:**

To kickstart the children’s fluency after the holidays we concentrate on spoken Irish for the first two weeks of school. Our English programmes begin towards the end of September. This is most beneficial and sets the tone for the whole term.

**TINREAMH/ATTENDANCE:**

As per The Education Welfare Act (2000), which came into effect on 01/09/2002, it is now mandatory for schools to report to the Education Welfare Officer all children who miss 20 days in any school year for any reason. When your child is absent an explanation must be recorded. If no explanation is received the absence must be recorded as ‘Unexplained’.

**OVER THE SUMMER:**

Work has continued outside and inside the school throughout the summer. The school has received a deep clean and is gleaming once again.

Our newly constructed polytunnels are bursting with all kinds of fruit and vegetables. Thanks to all our volunteers and staff who called in over the summer to help keep the tomatoes, aubergines and lettuce blooming so as our children can see them on their return. Spuds and cabbage could be the new dessert shortly!

Bike shelters have been installed and there is a nice surprise awaiting those on the junior yard with the arrival of a Garda Station, Siopa and even a Playhouse or two! Hopefully the Garda Station won’t see much traffic over the first few days!!!

Díreoimid go dícheallach ar chúram agus ar oideachais na bpáistí agus oibreoimid go dian díograsach le cinntiú go bhfaigheann gach páiste i Scoil na gCeithre Máistrí an eispéaras oideachasúil is fearr gur féidir le linn a dtréimhse scoile linn. Tagann an fhoireann iontach, ár dtuistí tiomónta agus ár bpáistí álainne le chéile le scoil ar leith a dhéanamh de Scoil na gCeithre Máistrí.

*We, as a committed staff, will work every day to give the highest levels of care, attention and education to your children to ensure that each child in Scoil na gCeithre Máistrí receives the best possible educational experience during their time with us. Our wonderful staff, involved parents and superb páistí work in partnership to make Scoil na gCeithre Máistrí a wonderful and unique place.*

Táim ag tnúth go mór leis an mbliain taitneamhach agus tairbheach a bheidh romhainn amach. Gach rath oraibh i gcónaí.

Eoin Ó Crofaigh – Príomhoide