

Cnoc Alhuire Secondary School

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Dear Parents,

It is with much consideration and reflection that I have decided to call time on my role as Principal in Cnoc Mhuire. The last 8 years have been both interesting and eventful and I could not have made this journey without your support. I am grateful too for all the additional extra-curricular and other work that staff do to assist students far beyond curricular needs. The Deputy Principal Sandra Durkan, has been a hard-working and accommodating colleague and I thank her for her assistance and support.

During my tenure, I have endeavoured to improve compliance and extend the schools' curriculum through the introduction of a special ASD class, L2LPS, and more recently Leaving Certificate Applied. The schools' infrastructure development plans are secure, with the gifting of additional land from the Mercy Sisters and the planning permission stage of a new extension expected this year. It is my hope that these efforts will ensure the continued success of Cnoc Mhuire into the future.

I am deeply appreciative of the confidence placed in me by the trustees, CEIST to manage and lead the school and develop a vision for change in a rapidly changing world.

The next few months will see the appointment of my successor and I hope the staff, parents and students and community will support the new Principal in their role.

As I complete my final weeks in Cnoc Mhuire, it is with a sense of gratitude and pride that I depart knowing that I had the opportunity to serve the school as its 3rd lay Principal and that the values of the founding Mercy sisters were never far from my thoughts.

Wishing you and your families all the best for the future.

Kind Regards

Pauline Mc Brien

(Principal 2017 -2025)

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