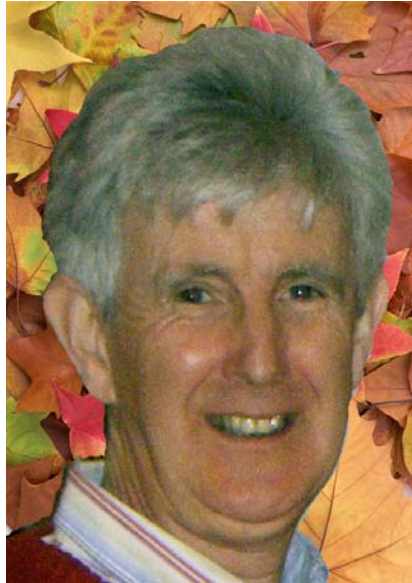




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*Goodbye from Mr Mulligan*

*This is a short note to all of you wonderful pupils and past pupils from Shelagh National School that I have known over the past 31 years.*

By now you will all have heard that I am retiring and that after Christmas you will have a new Principal and a new class teacher.

We have shared so many wonderful times and I have made so many really good friends. I hope that you will always remember your school days with good memories and laugh about the all the fun and games we had together.

I hope that you will remember too the important things that we learned together....about helping each other and understanding each other and looking out for those around us who need extra help. Always bring a smile with you and leave a smile after you when you leave. Be proud of who you are and always try to be even better than you think you are. It is by only helping others that we can be really happy and content.



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I have been a part of and shared in so much in Shelagh down through the years, The Shelagh Youth Club's victory in Waterford, The Development committee that led to the development of Naomh Malachy Clubhouse and Pitch, Organising the CEC scheme with Fás in the 80's employing over 40 people over three parishes, The Kavanagh Centre, the Inniskeen Pitch and Put ,the Coffee Shop, Shelagh chapel and school as well as Kilkierley Club and school, the chapel choir , adult computer classes, fashion shows, gymkhanas and so much more. One great source of satisfaction was when Naomh Malachy won the Intermediate Championship with 15 players who all first learned their football in Shelagh NS.

The rebuilding of our school had to be the highlight of recent years. We now have the best School in the North East area and are regularly consulted concerning the best way to develop Education Policy using IT for life long learning. We have been twinned with schools in Poland and have received many national and international awards. We are closely linked with the Library Council, The National Centre For Technology in Education and Monaghan and Dundalk Teacher Centres. We have a strong Web Presence and the children in school today enjoy super fast broadband and web access. Our school is the envy of many and will serve the community well for many years to come.

All of this has been possible because of the great loyalty and support that we have enjoyed for the past 30 years. We are proud of the Shelagh Community and what we are today. You must be proud of it too and always stand up for where you come from.  
If you are a past pupil you must always be ready to give your support and to speak up for your school and community.

Finally I want to remind you of the pupils that have died and gone to heaven during my time as Principal in Shelagh.  
Ciarán Flynn, Eugene Martin, Declan Leneghan, Keith Rogers, Lisa Murtagh and Yvonne Murphy.  
We should remember them often in our prayers and I'm sure that they are looking after us from their heavenly home.

So its goodbye for now, I wish you all every success in your future. I hope to call in now and again to see how you all are getting on and hope when we meet we can still have the craic.

Best wishes

Mr Mulligan

