



March 30th, 2016

Dear Principal,

Mayo Sports Partnership along with **Davitt College** Transition Year Students & **Castlebar Sports Forum** are pleased to announce the **3rd Annual 'Mayo Sports Partnership Mini Mini' Fun Run** for Primary School Children.

The Mini Mini takes place on Sunday May 1st (Bank Holiday Weekend), 2016 and is run in conjunction with our flagship event the 'Western People West of Ireland Women's Mini Marathon'.

Suitable for boys and girls of all ability '**Kids run for fun**' is the theme. The '**Mini Mini**' will take place at 12.10pm directly after the start of the Women's Mini Marathon. This year a special Centenary Commemoration challenge is being set down; for children to run 1916 meters (1.9km).

"This is Mayo Sports Partnerships 3rd Annual Mini Mini Fun Run focusing on encouraging children throughout the county to become more physically active. Last year over 500 children participated in the Mini Mini which brought great excitement, colour and magic to the county town adding greatly to our flagship event the 'Western People West of Ireland Women's Mini Marathon'. Once again we are delighted to work in partnership with the Transition Years from Davitt College on this project. This year we have set down a challenge to children to complete 1916 Meters in distance. The 2016 Mini Mini is indeed shaping up to be a very exciting and fun event." Anne Ronayne, Mayo Sports Partnership.

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"Davitt College Transition Year students are delighted to be heading up this primary school fun sports event. It is important for our students to send a clear message to other younger people of the benefits to their health and of exercise in their lives and what better way than to encourage them to take part in this fun 'Mini Mini' run. We look forward to working with Mayo Sports Partnership and the Western People and hope the partnership will be the start of something new and exciting for further TY students." Tracy Briton TY coordinator Davitt College

Cora Staunton representing Castlebar Sports Forum said that "I am once again delighted be part of the organising committee of the mini mini fun run. The forum works together throughout the year to develop programmes to create a more physically active population in Castlebar and the Mini Mini is a perfect way for children to get fitter in a fun way and is an ideal event to have with the bigger event which is the West of Ireland Women's Mini Marathon!"

This year Mayo Sports Partnership is delighted to announce Mayo.ie once again as a partner of the Mini Mini Fun Run. Mayo Day is a unique initiative that celebrates all that is great about our progressive can-do County. Communities, Business, Individuals locally nationally and internationally are embracing the opportunity to celebrate our Mayo-ness on this one day in the year.

To celebrate **Mayo Day 2016** a unique children's **Mini Mini T-shirt** will be given to at least the first 400 Mini Mini entrants.

We would be delighted if you would bring the event to the attention of schoolchildren, parents and other teachers.

This year too, we are thrilled to announce that Olympic Medallist Sonia O'Sullivan will be in attendance for the Mini Marathon and the Mini Mini and will be part of this big sporting occasion.

We are really looking forward to the day and look forward to meeting all the children from around the county and hopefully from your school too. The course is just 1916m so children of all primary school ages should be able to participate. We ask that children be accompanied or supervised by an adult on the day.

The Mini Mini Fun Run is absolutely **free of charge** and **open to children of all abilities**. **There is a special finishers medal for everyone and a Mayo Day t-shirt for the first 400 entrants.**

To enter the Mini Mini parents/guardians MUST fill out the entry form attached and post or email to **Mayo Sports Partnership, Community and Integrated Development, Cedar House, Moneen, Castlebar, Co. Mayo**. The form can also be accessed on our website www.mayosports.ie

Please feel free to contact Mayo Sports Partnerships main office on 094 9047025 for any information.
Yours in Sport,



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