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€4m lift-off for Strokestown School

The long-awaited €4m extension to Scoil Mhuire Secondary School in Strokestown moved closer to reality on Tuesday when local Minister Michael Finneran turned the sod on the new 2,019 square metre project.

Minister Finneran said "Scoil Mhuire Post Primary School boasts enrolment of some 400 pupils from Strokestown and its environs and this new extension will be of enormous benefit not only to these students but also to the future generations that will be educated here.

"This major extension involves four classrooms, two science laboratories, a technical graphics room, metalwork room, store rooms, boiler house, offices, first aid room and the upgrading of some existing facilities.

"A further independent extension will involve a PE hall and changing rooms, equipment room, gymnasium and viewing gallery. The overall extension, estimated to cost €4 million, will consist of 2,019 square metres."



Edel McWeeney on violin crosses the Shannon with the help of the Carrick on Shannon rowing club 8's when details were announced of this year's Carrick on Shannon Water Music Festival from 9th - 11th July which includes a Proms night presented by Sen. David Norris and featuring a thirty piece orchestra. Photo Brian Farrell.

Head shop saga to end on Friday

Adrian Murray's application for a court injunction to effect the closure of a head shop in Roscommon is due to be heard in Portlaoise Court today (Thursday).

Last week Mr. Murray, proprietor of the premises in which the 'High Times' head shop has been based, secured an interim injunction - however he has told the Roscommon People this week that he is satisfied that the premises will be formally vacated by tomorrow (Friday).

In an interview on page 18 this week Mr. Murray apologises to the public for the saga and also speaks of the stress which the controversy caused for his family and the staff in his public house.

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