



December 2021 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Christmas Activities:

- Our school is looking very festive with all the decorations and children's art work in the classrooms and throughout the school.
- Our crib and Christmas Tree have been in place since 30th November. All of these have created a very "festive feeling" in our school this month.
- Tomorrow, 17th December, Santa and his elves will visit the school and meet all the children in their classrooms.
- Our raffle took place today. All the prize winners will be on the school website.
- This week we had a very successful Christmas "Tráth na gCeist" for 3rd - 6th classes organised by Mrs. Clabby and the Gaeilge Committee.
- Earlier this month, all the pupils decorated stones which are now part of the Christmas display opposite the school. Thank you to our Parents Association for coordinating this.
- All Christmas cards have now been delivered to all the pupils who participated in this initiative.
- All the pupils will get an opportunity to see our on-line pantomime from the helix. "Red Riding Hood" will be enjoyed by our pupils as a treat for having been so good this term during very difficult and restricting circumstances. Thanks to the Parents Association for co-sponsoring this event.
- Sincere thanks to all members of staff for organising all the above and a huge thank you to the Parents Association and all the parents/guardians for your support.

Non-Uniform Days:

On Friday 17th December, we will have a Non-Uniform/Christmas Jumper Day in aid of "Ronald McDonald House". We hope to see as many pupils and parents/guardians in their Christmas jumper tomorrow. Pupils are asked to bring whatever donation they feel is appropriate for this worthy fund raiser.

Parents/Guardians will also have an opportunity to donate, as we will have collection points at the front of the school at drop off time in the morning. Many thanks for your support in this worthy event.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nWC55YR8djk&feature=youtu.be>

On Wednesday, December 22nd we will have a second Non-Uniform/Christmas Jumper Day as it is the day of the holidays. No fee.

The Lunch Bag:

The Lunch Bag Company will not be delivering lunches to the school on Wednesday 22nd December as the pupils will be going home well in advance of school lunch time. They will commence delivering again on Thursday 6th January 2022.

Holidays:

Today & tomorrow and next week, we will send home all school book. Please remember to refrain from allowing children to write on the books. It is important to quarantine the books for the duration of the holidays, especially the last 72 hours before we return to school in January 2022. Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this.

- Our school will close on Wednesday, December 22nd at 12 noon for Christmas Holidays and we will re-open on Thursday, January 6th, 2022.
- We are anxious that everyone remains safe and healthy and enjoys Christmas with family so please leave the school grounds immediately after you collect your child. We appreciate that it is so

tempting at holiday time to stay chatting with friends, but the safety of all is paramount at present. **A reminder to wear your mask at all times within our school grounds**

A Word of Thanks:

- I would like to thank all the parents/guardians for your support since September. Thanks for your co-operation and help in making our school as safe as possible for our entire school community.
- Thanks to the Parents Association for all your help and support this term.
- Thanks to all staff members for making the school a safe place for the pupils every day as we encounter Covid-19 related challenges on a daily basis.
- Thanks to the Board of Management for supporting the staff throughout this term. Your support is most appreciated.
- On behalf of the Board of Management and all staff at Coosan National School, I wish to thank you all for your support and co-operation in all school activities since September.

Warmest wishes for a very happy Christmas and a bright and peaceful new year.

Nollaig faoi mhaise agus Bliain Nua faoi shéan diabh go léir

Mr. Flahive

