

CHRISTMAS NEWSLETTER

2017



BOOK FAIR: The bi annual Book Fair was held in school on the week beginning 20th November. It was a great success with commission of €2,798 worth of books being earned for our school. Thanks to Scoil Phádraig Naofa for supporting us and to the parents who manned the sales table on the Wednesday and Thursday.

Team Hope Christmas Shoe Box Appeal: Our students donated 130 shoe boxes to the Team Hope "Christmas Shoe Box Appeal". We were delighted with the effort made by all the children for donating gift filled shoe boxes to needy children in Eastern Europe and Africa.

Charity fundraising: 6th Class plan to do some fundraising for charity this year. Their chosen charity is the Children's Cancer Ward in the Mercy Hospital, Cork. A Halloween dress up day was held on October 24th and there will be a cake sale and raffle held before the Christmas holidays.

SVP: Your wonderful support for donating non-perishable items to our St. Vincent De Paul boxes is sincerely appreciated.

Confirmation: 6th class had their Presentation Mass in preparation for Confirmation on Saturday 18th November. Confirmation date is Wednesday April 18th.

First Holy Communion: 2nd class will have their First Penance Mass 6th February in the evening. First Holy Communion will take place on the 28th of April.

Coláiste na Toirbhirte: showcased their annual musical where they invited our 5th and 6th class. The girls were delighted to see the pupils of Coláiste na Toirbhirte perform in "The Pirate Queen".

Nativity Mime: On Friday December 15th, 4th class pupils took part in the Community Carols and Readings for Advent Service in St. Patrick's Church Bandon. They acted out in mime the events of the Christmas Readings under the baton of Mrs. Cotter-Bowdren and Ms. Ryan. This gave the children a great opportunity to reflect on the true meaning of the Christmas Season.

Christmas Performance: Junior Infants, Senior Infants and First Class have been very busy preparing for their Christmas Play. They have been practising in the hall every day for the last few weeks and are making great progress. They will perform for the school on Tuesday 19th December and for the parents on Wednesday 20th December.

We will have two performances for parents on Wednesday 20th December in the School Hall. Junior Infants & Senior Infants will perform @ 11.00 am & 6.00 pm. First Class will

perform @ 11.45 am and 6.30 pm. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Junior Infants: Ms. Walsh's & Ms. Kelly's Junior Infants have had a great first term. They have been very busy learning lots of songs, poems and rhymes.

Feis Maitiú: 2nd class - 6th class will be preparing for Feis Maitiú in the New Year. This competition will be held in Cork in 2018. Classes will compete in the action verse and action song categories.

Vex Robotics: 5th class have been very busy Designing and building a robot, as part of the VEX IQ ringmaster challenge. We hope to present our robot and compete against other schools in Cork, in CIT during January 2018.

St Brogans College: 5th class also enjoyed an educational trip to St. Brogan's where they had a woodwork class, a science lesson and a P.E. lesson.

Christmas Carols: 5th & 6th class are busy practising their repertoire of Christmas Carols, which we hope to perform in the Credit Union on Friday 22nd December. We also hope to do a recital in the nuns' convent on Thursday 21st December.

Extra-Curricular Activities: Some classes were very busy participating in tag rugby, yoga, swimming and football this term.

Parents Association: There was great fun in November when the PA were very busy organising birthday pictures for their 2018 calendar.

Thanks to the PA for the 2 Apple I-pads donated to the ASD Class. We are very grateful for all their hard work and support during the year. New members are always welcome if any parent would like to help them out during the year.

Aid Bandon Children: A big thank you to ABC for their generous donation towards equipment for our ASD Class.

Remember.....

**We will re-open on
Monday 8th January 2017.**

**The staff and B.O.M. of
Presentation Primary School
would like to wish you and
your family a happy and safe
Christmas.**

**HAPPY
NEW YEAR**