ST.PATRICK’S PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY UNIT LOUGHGUILE

NEWSLETTER

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DIARY DATES



* PFTA Christmas Jumper Day Friday 15th December – funds for the NI Cancer Fund for Children
* School Christmas Holidays – The pupils will finish on Friday 22nd December at 11.30pm, pupils should bring their own break will be as normal. There will be no lunch/dinner and no buses. The school will re-open on Monday 8th January 2018

BEST ATTENDANCE

We would like to congratulate Primary 3 for the best attendance in November, well done!

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK ASSEMBLY – PRIMARY 6

Anti-Bullying week took place in November. Primary 6 performed a whole school assembly, “All equal, all different, all together”. The assembly had a strong emphasis on the whole school community taking care of each other.

All pupils in Primary 6 contributed to the assembly and parents, pupils and staff enjoyed a colourful powerpoint, music, singing and a display with the message “we may all be different fish but we all swim together”. Indeed, all staff also took part in the powerpoint and you can view this video on the school website. A big thank you to the Primary 6 pupils, Mrs Marshall and Miss McCarry.

M & M PRODUCTIONS – PETER PAN PANTOMIME

On 6th November P1 to P7 enjoyed M & M ‘s production of Peter Pan, which took place in our school assembly hall.

I have no doubt that everyone will agree with me when I say that it was an excellent production full of songs, jokes, fun, excellent props and very professional actors.

A great time was had by all and Mrs Martin (our school secretary) and Mr McPeake (our P7 teacher) wowed the audience with their dance moves!! We look forward to next year’s production!!

CHRISTMAS DINNER – Thank you to the kitchen staff

The whole school would like to thank the kitchen staff for the lovely Christmas dinner which we all enjoyed on Wednesday 6th December. We would also like to wish the kitchen staff a happy and restful Christmas.

CREDIT UNION RAFFLE

Congratulations to Calli Connolly P3 who was the winner of the Credit Union raffle and won a £20 Smyths voucher. Thank you to the staff of the Credit Union for encouraging young savers and making it easy for them to make their deposits every Wednesday from school.

CHRISTMAS FAIR– A BIG THANK-YOU 

A big thank you to everyone who took part and contributed in any way to St. Patricks Christmas Fair in the Millennium Centre.

This includes the Parents, Friends and Teacher Association, Mr McDonnell for his expertise on the “Big Wheel” and Mrs McAuley and members of the school choir. A lovely afternoon was had by all.

SHARED EDUCATION MONITORING VISIT

The Shared Education monitoring inspection took place on the 9th November 2017. Fiona McArthur the district inspector was in charge of the visit. Shared Education co-ordinators Miss Carol Neill and Mr Vincent McDonnell, both Principals and P6/P7 pupils from both schools took part in the inspection.

The inspection served to confirm the benefits to both schools through the enhanced learning and teaching, the professional development and the enjoyment.

Thank you to everyone involved.

ROAD OF HOPE SHOE BOX APPEAL

St. Patricks participated in the “Shoe Box Appeal” this year again and we are delighted to have the opportunity to do so. The organisers of the appeal want to extend a sincere thank you to everyone that took part!

ST. PATRICKS CHRISTMAS CONCERT

St. Patrick’s Christmas Concert takes place on Tuesday 19th December. This year the school presents:

Christmas Jingles by P1

Christmas Carols by P2

Christmas Medley by P3 and P4

“Children of the World” by P5, P6 and P7

This time of year gives particular opportunity for all pupils to engage in the more creative side of the curriculum. They have the opportunity to work creatively with sound, sing and perform, listen to and respond to music, express their thoughts and feelings, develop their creativity and engage in a dramatic play. Pupils and staff alike have put a lot of effort into this evening. We hope you enjoy it!

CHRISTMAS WISHES FROM THE STAFF OF ST. PATRICK’S

All the staff from St. Patrick’s would like to take this opportunity to wish you a happy, holy and peaceful Christmas.

We thank you for your continued support and co-operation, without which, we could not function as successfully as we do.

We look forward to a new year in January 2018, where we can move on from strength to strength together.

Merry Christmas!



REVIEW OF NOVEMBER 2017 IN OUR SCHOOL

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| 6/11/17 | Whole school M & M productions presents “Peter Pan” |
| 7/11/17 | PFTA meeting |
| 7/11/17 | Road of Hope shoebox collection |
| 9/11/17 | ETI Inspection of Shared Education programme |
| 13/11/17 – 17/11/17 | Anti-Bullying Week |
| 14/11/17 | Harberton Park Special school visit – Foundation and KS1 |
| 17/11/17 | St.Mary’s teacher training student – Observation Day, Sorcha Conlon |
| 22/11/17 | PFTA – Christmas Hampers |
| 22/11/17 | Afterschoo wheelchair hurling |
| 23/11/17 | Anti-Bullying assembly P6 – Mrs Marshall |
| 24/11/17 | Bushmills day trip – P5 and P6 – Shared Education |
| 27/11/17 – 1/12/17 | Cross and Passion placement students – Carla McGarry, Aoife O’Mullan, Dan Connolly |
| 29/11/14 | Bushmills day trip – P5 and P6 – Shared Education |

REVIEW OF DECEMBER 2016 IN OUR SCHOOL

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| 1/12/17 | Camogie tournament, P6/P7 – Cross and Passion Ballycastle |
| 3/12/17 | St. Patricks Christmas Fair – Millennium Centre |
| 4/12/17 | Titanic trip – P7 |
| 4/12/17 | Mobile library visit |
| 6/12/17 | Christmas Dinner – whole school |
| 7/12/17 | Broughshane P.S – Junior school Christmas nativity – attended by Mrs Hanna and Mrs Connolly |
| 7/12/17 | Board of Governors meeting |
| 8/12/17 | Nursery nativity performance |
| 12/12/17 | Christmas puppet show – Nursery |
| 13/12/17 | Broughshane P.S senior Christmas show – attended by Mr McDonnell |
| 15/12/17 | Christmas Jumper day – whole school |
| 18/12/17 | Christmas Play – dress rehearsal |
| 19/12/17 | Christmas Play – Millennium Centre, 7.00pm |
| 25/12/17 – 5/1/18 | Christmas Holidays |