

Class News contd.

- Rms. 13, 14 & 15 really enjoyed creating Christmas scenes to decorate the foyer for Christmas and anyone who has visited us in the last couple of weeks will appreciate what a wonderful seasonal atmosphere they have created. They also went up to the Riverbank Theatre to see 'A Most Peculiar Wintry Thing'. Rm. 15 had an Advent Ceremony in their class, during which they wrote one thing they forgave and one thing they were sorry for. They lit their Advent wreath and prayed in preparation for Christmas.
- Well done to Rm. 16 on completing their first projects on The Moon Landings.
- Rm. 17 are delighted to have won 'Best Sellers' in the Parents' Assoc. Raffle and would like to say thank you for the lollipops they received.
- Rms. 20 & 21 have started Cross Stitch with help from Rm. 5 and have made really nice Xmas tree decorations. They have also been practising on recorders and bells for the Carol Service.



Fortnightly Assemblies

Entertainment acts continued to be a feature of our fortnightly gatherings and included

- 'Wake Me Up' as Gaeilge (Rm. 14)
- Amhrán na gCupán (Rm. 4)
- Cinnín Óir (Rm. 20). **Oomhghairdeas libh go léir.**



Christmas Raffle

The Parents Association would like to thank all who supported the annual raffle. The following are the main prizewinners.



Prize	Winner
1st. Bike/Helmet	E. Foxe
2nd. Bike/Helmet	Caitlín Power
3rd. €200 cash/Champagne/Chocs	Aras Ceker
4th. €200 Dunnes Gift Card/2 x Wine	Jimmy McCabe
5th. Imelda May tickets	Colin Pender

Thanks to the following sponsors, who donated prizes after the cards went to print: **Karen Smith, Jenna Beatty, Jacqueline Walker Browning, Greg & Ger Dobby, Tricky Tricksters.**



'Ho! Ho! Ho!
Merry Christmas!'



St. Conleth & Mary's Christmas Newsletter

December 2014



Dear Parents,

As you will see from the newsletter we have had a very busy first term. The children have been working really well and we are very confident that this will continue in 2015. I would like to thank you the parents for your help and co-operation over the past few months and to thank the staff for all the extra effort they have put in to ensure that the children get the best possible out of their time in school. The Parents Association have also been very busy I would like to express my appreciation for their continued support and for their hard work particularly around the Christmas Draw.

I hope that you will all be able to take advantage of the holidays to rest and relax and to enjoy some time with family and friends. I wish you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

School closes at 12 noon tomorrow and re-opens on Mon. Jan. 5th. *Sheila O'Neill.*

3rd Class Concert



Congratulations to Rms. 13 & 14, who put on a great show for the rest of the school in Nov. They sang, danced and played guitar and percussion instruments. Thanks to Mr. Nea for all his hard work. clas-

Science Week

During Science Week, Nov. 9th—16th, a very successful Science Fair was held in the school hall. Among the experiments demonstrated were

- How an Archimedes Screw works
- Investigating a sense of taste
- Making a rocket
- Hoop gliders and soda can shake-up
- Magnets
- Optical Illusions



Great credit is due to Mrs. Forde for once again organising this most interesting and educational event.

Musical Treats

This year's Newbridge College Musical, *Beauty and the Beast*, was attended by all classes in November. Fourth and fifth classes thoroughly enjoyed *Back to the 80s*, the Holy Family show, which was staged in early December. It was lovely to see so many of our past pupils performing so confidently in both shows.



Sports News

- Swimming for Rms. 4 & 5 continued in Energie pool.
- Volleyball training was held every Friday for 5th & 6th classes. The term concluded with a blitz in the Holy Family Gym on Friday, 12th Dec. Room 8 were 5th class winners while Rm. 7 took the honours for 6th class. Thanks to Transition year students Meadhbh and Laura who conducted the training under the supervision of Tom Landers.
- Well done to our basketball teams who played in the league in November. They were a credit to the school.



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- Rm. 1 had great fun decorating the front windows with Santa and his sleigh.
- Rm. 3 children have enjoyed cooking for the last 5 weeks and would like to thank the parents who helped out. They also participated in a Creative Writing Workshop, organised by the Riverbank Arts Centre, where they were introduced to some interesting activities designed to stimulate the imagination. In addition they learned loads about Fair Trade Ireland, one of the topics for our next Green Flag.
- Rms. 3, 6 & 7, as part of their Confirmation preparation, participated in an Advent Mass on Dec. 6th. They also contributed to the Share Food Programme.
- Great news from Rm. 4, who enjoyed a pizza party for winning the weekly award for the quietest line.
- Rm. 5 pupils have been writing to their new pen-friends in Lissivigeen Primary School, outside Killarney. They have displayed the results of their Optical Illusions Investigation on giant Multiple Bar Charts. They enjoyed a couple of visits from past pupil Stephen Molloy, who showed them his very advanced Origami creations and then assisted them at folding bears, Santas and reindeer. Finally, they have enthusiastically embraced cross stitch and have completed some beautiful samples.

