

## Fáilte/Welcome Newsletter/ Nuachtlitir

Fáilte go Nuachtlitir na Nollag. Ba mhaith linn beannachtaí na Nollag agus na hAthbhliana a ghuí oraibh go léir.

## Advent Prayer Service

We thank all the children for reverently participating in our annual advent prayer service on Friday, 1st December led by Fr. Duffy. The children sang advent hymns, read prayers and lit our first purple advent candle which is now on display in the front entrance.

#### <u>Switching on of our</u> <u>lights</u>

The children will begin advent and Christmas with the switching of our lights on Friday 1st Dec.

## St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Food Appeal

As always our St. Vincent de Paul box is located opposite the front door near the crib. Any non-perishable festive foods may be placed in the box so St. Vincent de Paul can ensure that everyone in our community will have a better Christmas.

## Christmas Prayer

Service We will join together for our Christmas prayer service later in December. The children will sing and pray to celebrate the birth of Jesus. This is a very special time in an infant school and we cherish the innocence of the beautiful children in our care. <u>Christmas Cake and</u> <u>Craft Sale 15th</u> <u>December</u>

10am—Junior Infants Carol Singing

10.45am—Senior Infant Carol Singing

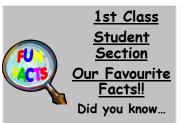
11.30am—First Class Carol Singing

Donations of shortbread, gingerbread and cakes would be greatly appreciated on Friday morning. Spread the word to family and friends.

## <u>Christmas Plays</u>

With the changes in the curriculum this year our decision not to have plays means we continue with lots of Christmas based teaching and learning. We hope the children enjoy the build up to Christmas in our school! Principal Carmel McCarroll email principal@stlouisinfants.ie





Our Green School Committee organised Our Big Walk to school this morning. Teachers and children walked to school. We love to walk. Photos will be on display at the Green Schools Noticeboard.

## Our Monthly Value is....Sharing



Switching on of lights Advent Prayer Service Christmas music begins

We love the innocence of all the boys and girls in our school at this special time. Enjoy the treats.

#### 14th December

Please join the 1st class with the Boys and Girls in the senior schools for a Carol Service in St. Joseph's Church, Park Street at 7pm. 1st Class children and their parents

#### 15th December

Cake and Craft Sale

18th December 12.00

Shopping Centre

1st Class Christmas Carols

#### 22nd December

Christmas Jumper Day

## Parents Association, Board of Management, ATP

## Parents Association AGM

Chairperson— Kelly Kavanagh Secretary—Laura McKenna Vice Secretary— Fiona Sherry Treasurer—Ronan Murphy Vice Treasurer—Barbara Golec Regiec Upcoming Events

## Christmas Cake and Craft Fair

Donations of shortbread, gingerbread and cakes would be greatly appreciated on Friday 15th Dec in the morning time. Spread the word to family and friends. We appreciate your support.

## Board of Management News

## **Deputy Principal**

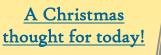
Congratulations to Mrs Clare McPhillips who was appointed Deputy Principal in November. Mrs McPhillips has a wealth of knowledge having worked in our school for many years. The Board welcome her into the Senior Management Team.

## Summer Works Scheme

The full electrical upgrade is currently being completed. We are delighted with the standard of work. The work is in line with a new school building regulations and will significantly reduce our electricity bills.

## **Board Meeting**

New members attended and were welcomed to their first meeting on 15th November.





Sweet baby Jesus, gentle and mild

Born in a manger, sweet, Holy Child.

Shepherds and Wise Men came from afar,

Seeking a Savior, they followed a star.

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The Aistear theme of "Exploring and Thinking" was high on our agenda during November with Science week being the highlight. The children used their senses, minds and bodies to find out about and make sense of what they saw, felt and experienced in the world around them. They gathered information and developed new skills, including thinking skills. They refined their ideas through exploring their environment actively, taking risks, making discoveries, being creative and through interacting and communicating with

children.

Lots of Winter learning and Christmas crafts ahead, for our little Elves during the month of December.

Our Christmas jumper party will take place on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December, when a special visitor will arrive to wish us all a

Merry Christmas!



St. Louis Infant School Enrolment

> 22nd - 26th January 2018

9.15—2.00pm daily

We look forward to meeting you all during enrolment week. Open Day Thursday 25th

January at 11am

adults and other

## Little Reminders and Dates for your Diary

## Happy Christmas / Nollaig Shona Daoibh go léir.

As we finish our first term I hope all the children are enjoying the build up to Christmas in St. Louis Infant'school. I hope Santa is good to all the boys and girls. Personally, thank you for all your support during this term. Thanks also to the very dedicated staff who work so quietly and effectively spending many hours after school preparing work for the children. I would like to wish the children and their friends and families, the staff and their families a happy and holy

Christmas and best wishes in 2018 Warm Christmas Regards Carmel McCarroll

Santa

Santa will visit us on Friday 22nd December..... How exciting!!!!!!

The children can wear their **Christmas Jumpers** 

School closes at 12noon on <u>22nd December for Christmas</u> Opening on Monday 8th January



Maths Challenge

December's Monthly Maths Challenge is attached. Good Luck everyone!

November Winners

Eliza Rm 7 Jayden Rm 9

Nikita Rm 14