



December Newsletter 2021

Hi all,

We've had a very busy month in our school. Here is some of the latest news below!

Thanks very much to all families for supporting the **Christmas Raffle!** A total of **€1,025** was raised. All money raised will go towards the running of the school. The generosity of the entire school community and sponsors is **greatly appreciated!**

Thanks to the girls from a 6th class pod for carrying out the draw. The five main prize winners were -

6th Prize – Gussie's Hamper – Joe Pyke

5th Prize – €50 Flaherty Fuels Voucher - Peter Egan

4th Prize – €50 Centra Voucher - Callum Egan

3rd Prize – Conn Molloy's Vegetable Hamper – Rita Creevy

2nd Prize - €90 Fuel Voucher – Gráinne Byrne

1st Prize – €90 Fuel Voucher – Annabelle Egan



Thanks to all our pupils for decorating the school Christmas tree with the **colourful and creative baubles**. It looks stunning! A Selection Box raffle took place in each class for everyone who decorated a bauble.



A total of **€568** was raised from our **Clothes Collection**. A big **thank you** to all! We plan on running another Clothes Collection after Easter 2022 to help everyone with their Spring cleaning! More details to follow in the New Year.

All classes were busy with their own Christmas **art, drama, dances and songs**. A selection of these from each class have been shared via Seesaw.

Members of the **Brosna Gaels** team and management brought the Junior A Hurling trophy to our school this month. Each class bubble gave them a great welcome! Well done to all involved.



Children from all classes purchased the Christmas annual and enjoyed the articles and activities.

Zoe from **Music Generation** teaches music to all classes each Monday afternoon. It's lovely to hear great sounds coming from all classrooms every week.

Thanks to all the boys and girls who helped **clean up the school garden**. The last of the Spring bulbs were planted in the school garden this month by children from all classes. We look forward to seeing the garden come to life next term.

Well done to the boys and girls from Junior and Senior Infants for helping Louise and Ms. Farrell **plant shrubs and flowers** in the two flower pots at the main entrance door to school. They look great and the Christmas lights added extra festive cheer!

The pupils in Ms. Moran's room have done a lot of work so far on building the **VEX Robot** and the 8ft x 6ft arena. Ms. Farrell's and Ms. Mollen's classes will get to experience robotics after Christmas.

The 6 week **Literacy Lift-Off** programme with 1st-6th classes finished last week. This was very enjoyable for both pupils and staff and will benefit the children's literacy skills going forward. There was also extra daily literacy support for the Junior/

Senior Infant classes during this period. Mr. Coughlan, who is being employed through the Covid Learning and Support Scheme (CLASS) hours, was a great help delivering Literacy Lift-Off. Thanks also to Mr. Dolan who has taught the 1st-3rd classes for the past number of weeks.

Well-being programmes **Friends for Life** for 4th and 5th class and **Get Up, Stand Up** for 6th class will be delivered in January. These had been planned for November and December but we focused on Literacy Lift-Off instead during this time.

6th Class pupils have applied for secondary school places and we wish them the best of luck securing places for next year.

The road outside our school is very busy at **Drop Off/Pick Up Times**. The **safety of all** is paramount. We would like to thank both pupils and parents for being extra careful and patient at these times.

We are currently accepting **enrolments** for the **2022/23** Junior Infants class. The enrolment form can be downloaded on our school website or requested from the school office. Please share this information with family and friends.

The BOM would like to thank all the staff, pupils and their families for everything during the year. We wish everyone a safe and Happy Christmas and every good wish for 2022.

School reopens on Thursday 6th January 2022 for all pupils.

