#### Weekly update

## Craft Fair

Our first RETNS Craft Fair was a huge success with fantastic participation from all sections of our school community. Great credit must go to the organisers of the Craft Fair who worked tirelessly to ensure that the Craft Fair was well publicised, well organised and provided a fun day out for all who attended.

## School calendars/gift sets

Calendars pre-ordered from the office are available for collection. Calendars have photos of each class plus some extra photos from around the school and include the holiday dates for 2018. If you pre-ordered a calendar please ensure that you collect and pay for it as these will have to be paid for by the school.

We also have a small number of calendars available to buy ( $\notin$ 10), as well as some pen and keyring gift sets if anyone would like to purchase one for that last minute gift.  $\notin$ 5 each in a lovely gift box. Please contact Carol in the office.

### Léargas

On Tuesday we had a visit from the eTwinning coordinator at Léargas, Liliana O'Reilly, and her colleague Anna D'Arcy. Léargas is the National Support Service for eTwinning in Ireland and the purpose of the visit was to inform the service about the impact our school's work on eTwinning has had on our staff professional development, our school and our students. The coordinators also discussed how Léargas can support us with our future eTwinning projects.

Liliana visited Senior Infants, First class, Third and Fourth classes, which had been involved in recent eTwinning projects, and listened to the children explain how they had been involved in eTwinning. She also gave a very informative staff presentation on how teachers can start or continue their involvement in eTwinning.

For more information about eTwinning in our school see www.retns.ie/principalsblog

### Walk Leader Training

South Dublin County Sports Partnership is holding Free Walk Leader Training on Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> December from 9.30am - 12.30pm in Belgard Community Centre.

If anyone is interested in attending, please email <u>info@sdcsp.ie</u> with your details.

See attached poster.

# Winterfest

Children are busy rehearsing for Winterfest and great work is being done by staff and parents in getting costumes and props ready. Both performances are now almost booked

out. Performances begin at 10 am on both days and doors will open at 9.45 am. We are all looking forward to Winterfest 2017, a fitting climax to a great year's work.