

**RATHFARNHAM**



EDUCATE TOGETHER  
NATIONAL SCHOOL

## **Weekly Update 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021**

### **School closes for the holidays at 12.00 noon on Wednesday, 22 December**

#### **This Week in RETNS**

Congratulations to Danny in 4<sup>th</sup> class who produced the winning poster on this month's values, Equality and Justice.

All classes have been busy with seasonal activities this week. This morning, Junior Infants – 2<sup>nd</sup> class were outside the school to greet Santa as he drove by in a Garda car. Several classes have been baking and tomorrow we will have our hamper raffle. We are hoping for good weather on Monday for our Winter Solstice assembly.

The Coiste Gaelbhreach held a Geansaí na Nollag colouring competition. The Cosite Gaelbhreach and the Active Schools Team will be at the front of the school for Jersey Day this Friday.

#### **Frásaí na Seachtaine:**

Féach ar na soilse.

Tá dath \_\_\_\_\_ (oráiste, dearg, corcra) ar na soilse

#### **Jersey Day**

We look forward to everyone wearing their favourite sports jersey today. Well done to the Active Schools Team for organising this event.

#### **Result of the Recycled Christmas Decoration Competition**

Jl- 'Wreath' by Laila

Sl- 'Christmas Tree' by Hareem

1st- 'Snowman' by Sadie

2nd - 'Santa' by Hugo

3rd - 'Paper bauble' by Jack

4th - 'Winter Wonderland' by Grace

5th - 'Coconut Christmas Tree' by Leo

6th - 'Christmas Turtle' by Freya

Congratulations to all the winners.

## **Fundraising Update**

Thank you to all who have contributed so generously to our fundraising this term, to those who have given their time, who have donated prizes and to those who have bought tickets. We look forward to lots of prize-winners tomorrow. We will publish a list of prize-winners before the holidays and provide a fundraising update in the New Year.

## **Exchanging Gifts**

A reminder that any exchange of gifts between children, including Secret Santas, should be done outside school. This is something that can cause upset for some children so your cooperation would be much appreciated.

## **Message from Dodder Action Group**

*We are doing two final clean ups to clear the Dodder banks for those Christmas walks.*

*Milltown, meet car park opposite Wilde and Green, this Saturday 10 am. Wear your own gloves if you have them. We will do a quick hour-long sweep then have a coffee on the wall!*

*Rathfarnham, meet as usual at old footbridge to Bushy Park off R112 this Saturday 10 am where Derek will lead his own sweep of those lovely banks.*

## **Sending Books Home**

I hope, and expect, us all to be back in school on Thursday, 6 January. However, as a purely precautionary measure, we will send home books on Tuesday, 21 December.

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