



Cloonliffen Ns Christmas Newsletter



Reminder: School will close at 12:15 on Friday December 22nd

Headlines **LIVE**

Science Week

Lots of fun & exciting science activities in the classrooms to celebrate Science Week! Photos and videos on our school website.



Student Council

Congratulations to our new Student council - Molly, T, Emma, Ozana & Kornelia. They have been a great help with jobs around the school this term. Keep up the good work !



Team Hope Shoebox Appeal

Thanks to all who donated shoe boxes to the Team Hope appeal this year. They will make lots of children very happy this Christmas!

Christmas Play

We are delighted to be able to welcome parents back into the school to watch our Christmas Play ' Children of the World ' at 11am on Friday 22nd of December. Thanks to all the staff & students for all the work put in over the last few weeks. We hope you will enjoy the performance !



School News



Our new BOM is now in place. We would like to welcome Linda Cusack (chairperson), Laura Costello & Paul Finnerty (parent nominees), Fr. Denis Carney (patron's nominee) & Declan Corcoran & Geraldine Sheridan (Community nominees) to the board. We look forward to working with them over the next 4 years. Agreed reports will be available on the school website.



School Calendar



Thanks to the hard work of our fundraising committee and the generosity of local businesses our school calendar has been a great success! We far exceeded our fundraising target with over 80 amazing sponsors! Calendars will be sent home with your child this week. We hope people enjoy the photos throughout 2024.

Staffing 2024

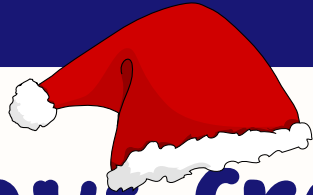


We are looking forward to Mr. Casey starting with us as principal on Monday Jan 8th. He will be teaching in the senior room, taking over from Ms. Derrig. We would like to thank Ms.Derrig for all her hard work over the last 16 months. She has been a wonderful colleague & teacher & we hope she enjoys her adventures down under!

Enrolment 2024



Enrolment for Junior Infants 2024 will be open from January 8th until March. The school's Admissions notice, policy and enrolment form will be available on the school website .



News from the Classrooms



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Junior Room



The junior room have been very busy over the past term. In SESE we have been focusing on the topic of homes. The children have learned about homes all over the world, homes in the past and they have even designed new homes for the three little pigs. We have been working on procedural writing in English and have written procedures on how to brush our teeth & how to build a snowman and Rang 1 have been enjoying problem solving in maths.

We have also been busy preparing for our part in the Christmas play. The children have learned alot about Christmas traditions in China and Poland. They have all worked really hard learning their lines & practising their songs and are looking forward to the performance on Friday. We had a special delivery from the North Pole also. Elfie has joined our classroom for the month of December and there has been great excitement each morning as the children arrive to school wondering where he will be!

Middle Room



2nd & 3rd classes were busy learning about the United Kingdom this term. We compared and contrasted the UK & Ireland & enjoyed learning about their monarchy and Kings & Queens of the past. Everyone has worked very hard on their léitheoireacht & briathra in Irish and we look forward to more independent writing next year. We hope to treat parents to a rendition of 'An Chéad Nollaig' on Seesaw at the end of the week.

Over the last few weeks we have enjoyed listening to & learning some festive poems such as "This year I will stay awake" ' My Woolly Hat' & ' Help wanted' and we are looking forward to writing our own on the theme of Hot chocolate this week. Christmas is a very busy time in the shops & this week we have been looking at our favourite Christmas TV ads & analysing the adventures of Kevin the carrot!



Senior Room



We have been very busy in the lead up to Christmas in the senior room. In History we learned all about WW2 and how various countries celebrate Christmas around the world. In Art we have been making Christmas decorations out of clay, ready to hang on our Christmas trees at home as well as painting lovely Reindeer scenes. We have been very busy practising hard on our school play and took great inspiration from the TY's in Ballinrobe Community school after going to watch their musical 'Mamma Mia'.

We would like to wish Ms.Derrig all the best on her travels next year.

We have loved having her as our teacher and will miss her (and her tests!) very much.

