

NO ELECTRICITY FRIDAY NOVEMBER 26th - NO SCHOOL

December 2020

Dates for your Diary

Dec 9th: Mass online to mark the feast of the Immaculate Conception.

Dec 22nd: St Fiacc's closes at **12.00**pm for the Christmas Holidays and reopens on January 6th.

Jun Infants will be collected at 11:30 First & Third class will be collected at 11:40 Sen Infants, Second and 5th will be collected at 11:50 6th & 4th class will be collected at 12:00

Dec 22nd: Christmas Jumper fundraiser. Pupils may wear a Christmas jumper to school. €2 Donation please.

Jan 6th: Pupils return to school. Mass online to celebrate the feast of the Epiphany.

Dear Parent,

To mark the Festive Season, in these exceptional circumstances, I am organising a *virtual* Christmas Celebration. Put simply, I will record classes who will then recite a poem or a play or sing a song as a bubble or a pod. I will then share the recordings online so you can view your child participating in our traditional Christmas celebrations. These events will take place the week of DEC 14th - 18th. More information will be sent closer to the dates.

Thank you,

Mr Brennan

School Calendar

St Fiacc's 2021 school calendar is for sale. It costs €10. Many thanks to all the businesses who took out an ad in the calendar. Pay now through Aladdin Connect or the office while stocks last. If you wish to purchase any of the individual photographs on the Calendar, please text/ring our photographer Thomas Anthony on 0872528805

Thank you!

To all families returning our family contribution envelope. Date of next contribution: Wed Dec ^{3rd}.

Living Our Ethos

We celebrate Advent as a whole school through use of the Jesse Tree at our virtual Friday Assemblies.



Confirmation & Communion

Please read the attached letter on the Sacraments from Bishop Denis Nulty. No dates have been set but May for Communion and June for Confirmation are most likely.

Christmas Cards

Pupils will design Christmas cards in class for pupils in their pods. Do not send in Christmas Cards as this will increase the risk of Covid spread and creates more paper in the process! Thank you.

Parent Teacher Meetings

Due to Covid 19 we will not be hosting Parent Teacher Meetings in Jan/Feb. Instead we will send out a Mid Year Report through Aladdin Connect. Follow up phone calls will be possible if any parent has a concern regarding their child(ren).

Food Hampers

The Parish are distributing Food Hampers this Christmas to Families in need. Every year we ask every pupil to bring in 1 item to help build the hamper. The items are listed below. Your support will make a huge difference to families this Christmas. Please bring item into class next week and place in box at the back of the classroom

List of food items for Christmas Hampers : Mass of the Immaculate Conception/mass of giving : December 9th

<u>Junior Infants:</u> Ms. Doyle: Tea Ms. Payne/Miss Whelan: Tea Ms. O'Brien/Miss Ronan: Biscuits	<u>Senior Infants</u> Ms. Hutton : Rice Krispies Ms. Hogan: Porridge
<u>First Class :</u>	<u>Second Class :</u>
Ms Byrne: Pringles	Ms. McCarthy: Beans
Ms. Reddy: Ketchup	Ms. Delaney: Beans
Ms Davitt: Bag of Sweets	Ms. Kinsella: coffee
<u>Third Class :</u> Ms Mullen : Hot Chocolate Ms.Walsh: Mayonnaise	<u>Fourth Class :</u> Ms. Hennessy :Jam Ms.Luby: Jam Ms.Kavanagh/Ms Rainey: Gravy Granules
<u>Fifth Class :</u>	<u>Sixth Class:</u>
Ms. Ivory: Fruit Juice	Mr Bolton: Fruit Juice
Miss Scully: Tinned Fruit	Mr. Nolan: Minerals
Mr Sheil: Tinned Soup	Ms.Minnock: Minerals

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Science Week at St. Fiacc's



Attendance rate for October – 93.3%. Well done all!