

SCOIL BHRÍDE

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Hope this note finds you well.

HEALTH & SAFETY

We were delighted to welcome Ellen (Road Safety Authority) into our school last week to speak to the children about road safety issues e.g. wearing their seatbelt, safe cycling, rules of the road etc. In the build up to Christmas as more people are out and about the children were reminded to be extra vigilant. Parents please be mindful of children when you are entering and exiting the school grounds in the mornings and evenings. Please do not double park at the front of the school so as not to impede the flow of traffic. Thank you for your co-operation.

SCIENCE IN SCOIL BHRÍDE

Our whole school came together during Science Week in the hall to participate in some fun activities e.g. making marshmallow towers, paper bridges and paper chains.

CONGRATULATIONS

Warmest congratulations to Emily and Ella who won first and second prizes in this years' Lions Club Peace Poster Competition. "A Journey of Peace". Also congratulations to Ava who travelled to Lodz in Poland recently to participate in the World Kettle Bells Championship, she achieved first place and received a trophy, certificate and medal. In the next few weeks the Mountrath Kettle Bells will be coming into our school to speak to the children.

PARENTS' COUNCIL

We had our third fund-raiser in school last Friday. The girls had a pyjama party and were delighted to receive hot chocolate, cookies and enter a raffle for a selection box. Thanks to Niamh and Anita for helping out on the day.

Our Scoil Bhríde Christmas Draw takes place on Friday, 13th December in the school at our Christmas Craft Sale. Your daughter has received a card with 10 lines, €2 per line. Extra cards are also available from Ms. Brereton. Our Christmas Craft Sale, 13th December, commences at 1 p.m. in the school. You are invited to bring in some baking for the sale. Our sixth class girls are making some crafts in school which will be on sale that afternoon. There will also be fun activities for children e.g. name the teddy-bear, guess how many sweets on the cake etc. Thanks to Ms. Whelan and Mary (SNA) for organising this. Mary has been busy teaching the girls in 6th how to crochet in preparation for the afternoon.

SCHOOL BHRÍDE DRUMMING

The girls enjoyed a drumming workshop in school on 15th November, thanks to Neil from Drum Nature. He had a wide selection of various types of drums and they were delighted to get a chance to play them. He had the luxury of wearing ear muffs!

3rd & 4th STORYTELLING

3RD and 4TH class were delighted to welcome storyteller, Frances Quinn, to their classroom recently. Frances worked with the girls as they found out about Christmas traditions in the past. The girls used this information to write about Christmas long ago. It was very informative and great fun!

VISIT TO DUNAMAISE THEATRE

Classes from Junior Infants to Second class will go to the Dunamaisé Theatre on Friday next 6th December to see "Santa's Fairytale Christmas". We would like to thank our Parents' Association for covering the cost of the bus.

TEAM HOPE SHOE BOXES

We had a truly wonderful response this year to the Team Hope Christmas Shoe Box Appeal. Thank you most sincerely for filling the shoe box and spreading Christmas cheer to those less fortunate.

SPLIT THE POT

Over the next few weeks entries for Split The Pot will be kept and added to an **extra draw** of €1,000.00 which will take place on 15th December at "Christmas at the Convent". Weekly draws will continue as normal.

HOMEWORK CLUB

Homework Club will finish on 4th December and resume on 7th January. On your behalf I wish to thank the teachers who supervise this.

CHRISTMAS PLAYS

We are extremely busy in school putting the finishing touches to our Christmas plays. Our plays are on **Tuesday 10th December and Wednesday 11th December at 7 p.m.** in the school hall. Tickets for the plays go on sale this week, €5 per ticket.

Thank you for your continued support and co-operation,

Yours sincerely,

Mary Rohan (Principal)
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