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Dear Parents,

I hope this note finds you well in the lead up to Christmas!

JUMBLE SALE

Our Christmas Jumble Sale on 8th December was a great success and a very enjoyable afternoon. A sincere thanks to all the local businesses who sponsored the prizes and to the Parents' Council and staff of the school who helped organise the afternoon. Thanks to all of you who baked, left in jumble and various items. Heartfelt thanks to Ms. Whelan, Marion and the girls in 5th/6th for organising all the stalls. We raised €1,139.79 for our school.

SCOIL BHRÍDE CHRISTMAS PLAYS

We had a wonderful two nights here in school last week. No doubt you all agree that all the plays were brilliant and there was such a lovely atmosphere in the hall. The children really enjoyed their performances and they were delighted with their treats, thanks to the Parents' Council. Thank you to all the staff for their hard work over the last few weeks. We raised €884 for our school. We wish the boys school the very best of luck with their performances this week.

MS READATHON

Thank you to all who participated in this year's MS Readathon. Please encourage your daughter to keep reading and enjoy the wide variety of books available to them in our class libraries and in our town library.

MOUNTRATH LIBRARY/AUTHOR

Fourth Class went to the Library in Mountrath on Tuesday. They coloured a Christmas scene and browsed through some Christmas books. Olive Mooney, children's author will be visiting our school on Thursday to read to 4th, 5th and 6th from her series "The Chronicles of Cadaver College".

"RUDOLPH" IN DUNAMAISE

Junior, Senior Infants, 1st & 2nd Classes enjoyed the production of Rudolph in the Dunamaise Arts Centre on Tuesday.

CONGRATULATIONS

Children in Ms. Thompson's classroom entered a competition in recognition of Pope Francis' visit next year. Niamh Coughlan's letter has been selected for inclusion in a book with a selection of the letters sent in from different schools.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

The school will close on **Friday 22nd December at 12 noon** for the Christmas holidays. It re-opens on **Monday January 8th at 9.20 am.**

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a Very Happy Christmas and every blessing in 2018.

Nollaig shona agus athbhliain faoi mhaise daoibh go léir.

Yours sincerely,

M. Rohan

Principal.