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Dear Parents / Guardians.

Hope this email finds you well as we approach the season of Advent.

We are in festive spirits here and are very much looking forward to showcasing all the acting and singing that is going on around the school as we rehearse for our Christmas plays. The children can't wait to perform for you on the 19th December (Infants, 1st, 2nd) and the 20th December (3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th) here in the school at 7pm. You can purchase your €5 ticket for the performance at our Christmas Fair and Bake Sale on the 8th December or anytime before the night of the performances. This is a fundraiser for our school, helping to pay for the Music Generation classes and the computer classes for the children.

Also, if your daughter wishes, she can purchase a €2 line from Marion to be in with a chance to win a fantastic children's hamper full of goodies, thanks to the Parents' Council. This raffle will be held in the school nearer to Christmas.

Our 5th, 6th classes, along with Ms. Kilmartin, are preparing to host our Christmas Fair and Bake Sale in the school on the 8th December at 11am. This is a fantastic opportunity for the senior girls to further their social and entrepreneurial skills in a fun and creative way. We would be most grateful if you could leave in some baking the day beforehand or the morning of the sale on the 8th. We will also be holding our Christmas Raffle (blue cards) on that day so please ensure that all cards are returned to the school no later than the 6th of December.

Sincere thanks to our Parents' Council who are busy organising sponsorship prizes from local businesses for our raffle, thanks to all businesses for their support and thanks also to you for selling the lines on the cards. It is heartwarming to be part of such a supportive community.

Apart from all the Christmas preparations, classes have been involved in-

- ~ a visit from our Heritage in Schools specialist Vincent O'Sullivan.
- ~ Colm and Dermot from Mountrath Fire Brigade visited 3rd, 4th this week.
- ~ 3rd, 4th also visited our local library and enjoyed a workshop with the illustrator Alan Dunne.

We have lots of photos and school information continuously posted on our X (Twitter) page @bhride_scoil and also on our school website: scoilbhridemountrath.weebly.com, with thanks to Ms. Sheppard and Ms. Brereton. Thanks also Marion and Mary for helping to decorate the front porch of the school for Christmas.

If your daughter is absent from school, please put the absence in writing to your class teacher via email or a note in her homework journal.

Lastly, if you need to speak to your class teacher or me at any stage you are always welcome to make an appointment via email or phone call to come in and discuss the matter. Face to face communication is the most effective, honest and authentic means of communication. Please note that teacher emails are operational during school hours.

Looking forward to seeing you all very soon,

All the best for now,

M. Rohan.