

Holy Child Boys' School Larkhill

Newsletter December 2016



CHRISTMAS



We look forward to welcoming you to our annual carol service next week - all the details can be found overleaf. A big thank you to our caretaker, Michael, who set up our crib again this year. Also to Ms. White and Ms. McQuillan who decorated our tree!

PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Following our meeting on December 1st, we are delighted that a parents association is being set up for our school. A further meeting will be held on Tuesday January 17th at 7.00p.m. to elect officers to the committee. We will give you further details after that meeting. We look forward to working with the association in the future.



PUPIL SAFETY

We remind parents once again to make an allowance for school buses and to be considerate of our neighbours when dropping or collecting pupils from school. Many children use the school bus and their safety, along with the safety of all children attending our school, is an absolute priority. The yellow lines outside the school gates signify a clearway and parking there is not allowed. We thank you for your co-operation. The gardaí have informed us that they will begin to issue tickets to anyone who continues to park in this section or to block access to driveways.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

We close for the Christmas Holidays on Thursday the 22nd of December at 12 o' clock and will re-open on Monday the 9th of January.

We at Holy Child Boys' wish you and your families a most enjoyable and peaceful Christmas and we look forward to a happy and productive 2017 for all.

Cathy Timmons
Principal



SAM MAGUIRE VISIT



There was great excitement on Monday 5th of December when Sam Maguire came to visit! The cup was accompanied by Dublin and Whitehall Colmcille GAA player Cormac Costello. Our thanks to Niall Williams of Whitehall Colmcille who arranged the visit. Pictured above are Mr. O' Rourke's 6th Class boys enjoying a photo opportunity with Cormac & Sam!

SCHOOL CLOSURE

On January 17th 2017 the boys' school will be closed, as all staff will be attending inservice training on the new Primary Language Curriculum, as instructed by the Department of Education & Skills.

SNIPPETS.....

All our after school classes are finished up for this term. They will run again next term and all the details will be sent home when we come back after the holidays.

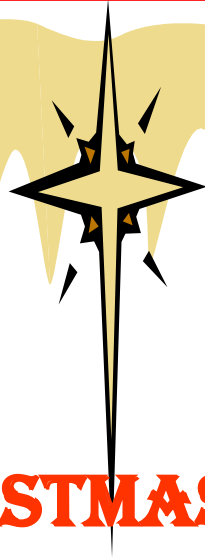
Our 4th & 5th Class pupils were so lucky to see the Axis theatre production of 'Stór' when they came in to school earlier this month. The play was bilingual - Irish and English and was set around the events of 1916. It was a fantastic play and the boys thoroughly enjoyed it.

All classes were delighted with their trip to the Helix to see the pantomime 'Aladdin' last week. We are very fortunate to have such a fantastic theatre within walking distance of our school!

The Credit Union will resume on Tuesday, January 17th.

Once again, we are asking that boys do not bring gifts for teachers this Christmas. While we greatly appreciate the generosity, we are also very much aware of the pressure on parents at this time of year.

Well done to Ms. Farrelly's Class for having such excellent attendance in November - a super 98.4%. Keep it up! Please note that we do not encourage absences from school for holiday reasons as this can impact on your child's education.



CHRISTMAS 2016

Tuesday 20th

Room 20 Boys' School

1st Class Christmas Performance at 9.30a.m.

Thursday 22nd

Assembly Hall, Glенаan Road

2nd & 3rd Carol Service at 9.30a.m.

4th, 5th & 6th Traditional Carol Service at 11a.m.

ALL WELCOME

Parents and grandparents are welcome to any or all of the performances. Each performance will last approximately 30 minutes and tea and mince pies will be served during the morning. We look forward to seeing you all and that you enjoy the entertainment and festive atmosphere!

