



St. Louise de Marillac Primary School

School Newsletter

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Science Fair**



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Dates for your Diary



- December 12th: Room 27 visit Glenaulin Nursing Home to sing Christmas carols.
- December 13th: *Santa Walk* in the Gaels.
- December 14th: Hearing test for Junior Infants.
- December 18th: Parental activity for Senior Infant parents.
- December 18th: Early Start Christmas concert @ 10:45am and 1:45pm.
- December 18th: Junior Infant Christmas concert @ 12:30pm.
- December 20th: Christmas concert featuring 1st, 2nd, 5th & 6th classes @ 12:45pm.
- December 21st: Christmas Assembly & Christmas carol service.
Christmas holidays @ 12 noon.
- January 7th 2019: School reopens at 8:50am.



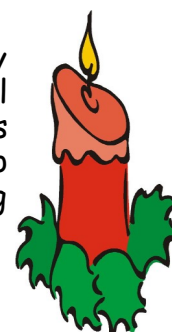
Happy Christmas!



During this season of Advent, we are busy getting ready for the birth of Jesus Christ. Please visit our crib in the reception area. We would like to wish everyone in our school community a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful new year. We hope that you enjoy spending time with your family at this special time of year.

Christmas Raffle

Our annual Christmas Raffle will take place on Thursday 20th December after the Christmas concert in the school hall. A variety of great prizes are up for grabs. Tickets are on sale each morning in the school foyer and a strip costs €1. The funds raised will go towards the running costs of our school. Thanks for your ongoing support.



D10 Science Fair

Recently the 5th class pupils took part in the D10 Science Fair. Ms. Pigott's class completed a project on nanoscience and its use in everyday life. Ms. Stynes' class examined the impact of colour on our taste-buds. Room 29 won third place in the fair. Here Ella Rose Buckley shares her recount: "We went to Mary Queen of Angels for the D10 Science Fair on Friday 30th November. Our project was about nanoscience. We walked



to Mary Queen of Angels with all the equipment we needed. When we got there, we found our assigned table and set up everything for our project. After that lots of teachers came around and asked us questions. Then the children came to the fair to see all the experiments. We told them all about nanoscience. When everyone saw the projects, we went into a different room where a scientist from Maynooth College

showed us lots of fun stuff. When that was over we went back to our table and they announced the winners. We came in third place. Teams from Mary Queen of Angels came first and second. Our prize was a certificate each and we all got games."

Cell Explorers Workshop

On the 13th December a team of scientists from Maynooth University, along with some local secondary school students who are taking part in the Turn to Teaching Project, visited the two 5th classes and performed experiments with the pupils. Read Carly Gavin & Callie Murphy Dunne's recount of the event. "On Friday the Cell Explorers team came to our classroom and they taught us about DNA. We extracted some DNA from a banana. We got to keep the DNA in a little test-tube. We also built a 3D structure of DNA. Did you know if you took all the DNA from your body, you could go to the moon and back 6 times?"

Winter is here

In winter it is cold

Now it is Christmas

*The snow is falling on
the ground*

Eating Christmas dinner

Ready for the new year.

By Kaci O' Neill, Room 16

Star Pupils

Congratulations to the pupils of the month for November. We are very proud of these children as they have an excellent attitude to school and give a great example to all their friends. They were presented with a certificate and a special prize to mark their achievement on 6th December.



Friendship Award

Friends are so important to everyone. A special Friendship Assembly took place on 6th December. Congratulations to these fabulous friends pictured below.



Good News



We are having fun in the snow, **WINTER POEMS**

I am so excited for Christmas

Now it is December

Today it is very cold

Eating Christmas dinner

Reading Christmas poems with your family.

By Libby Greene, Room 16

Winter is very cold

It is the coldest season

Now it is Christmas

The bells will play

Every year it is magical

Ready for the new year.

By Taylor Berney

We play in the cold snow

In the winter time

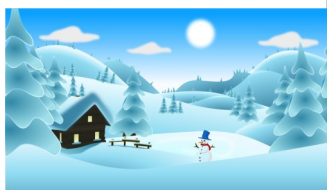
Nearly time for Christmas dinner

Time to play in the snow

Elf on the shelf is back

Ready for Christmas dinner, yay—Christmas time!

By Ruby Stafford, Room 16



Best Attendees

Congratulations to the pupils from **Room 12, First Class**, who had an outstanding **96.6% attendance rate**—the highest amongst the Junior classes. Well done to the pupils from **Room 19, 4th Class** with a **96.1% attendance rate** during November. Keep it up!

Dogs

Can you kindly refrain from bringing dogs into the school yard? Under no circumstances should a dog be brought into the school building. Thanks for your cooperation with this matter.

Santa Walk



Well done to the Parents' Association for organising a really successful fundraiser. The Santa Walk took place on the 13th December and an amazing €—— was raised. A sincere thanks to the committee members of the Parents' Association, Maeve McAdam and to you and your families for all your support. The school really appreciates it.

60th Anniversary of School



This year St. Louise's is 60 years old. The school first opened its doors in 1958. To mark this special occasion a commemorative book will be published. If you or any of your older family members have any photos you might like to share with the school, it would be much appreciated. A copy of the photo can be taken and the original returned. Each class in the school will feature in the book but we would also like to include contributions from past pupils. If you would like more information please ask Una Sheahan, Deputy Principal or Alma Quinn, Principal. The school will be fundraising throughout the year to meet the costs of publishing this book.