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Newsletter December 2022



Christmas Holidays

School will close for the Christmas Holidays on **Wednesday 21st December at 12 noon** (Rang Réalta & Seomra Spraoi @ 11.30am.) and will reopen on **Thursday 5th January 2023.**

ENROLMENT

Applications for Junior Infants and all other classes for September 2023 will be accepted from **Thursday 5th January to Tuesday 31st January 2023.** We would like to advise prospective parents to read our **Admission Policy** before making an application. This policy is available to view on our school website www.stbrigidsbns.ie or from the school office.

An **Application for Admission Form** for September 2023 and the **2023/2024 Annual Admission Notice** are also available on our school's website.



Christmas Shows

The true message of Christmas is being felt throughout our school at the moment as the Christmas shows are well underway. We hope that all parents and family members are enjoying the performances and a big thank you to the boys, their teachers and ancillary staff for all their efforts and enthusiasm.

Santa Visit

There was great excitement on **2nd December** when **Santa** made a surprise visit bearing gifts for all the boys. The classes were in fine voice as Christmas carols were heard ringing throughout the whole school. A huge thank you to our **Parents' Association** for organising this visit. **Special thanks also to Eamon McAteer.**



Christmas Shows - TAKING PHOTOS & RECORDINGS

Parents and Guardians attending our Christmas Shows are reminded that any photos or recordings taken at these very special events are for your personal remembrance and are not for distribution. Photos/Recordings etc. taken at school must not be uploaded onto social media sites or used for online distribution. Please respect the privacy of all our pupils and staff.

School Policy Update

Some recently reviewed policies available to view on the school website include:

- ❖ Child Safeguarding Statement
- ❖ Anti-Bullying
- ❖ Code of Behaviour with additional Appendix - Behaviours of Concern
- ❖ Intimate Care
- ❖ Custody & Separation

Nursing Home Christmas Cards

Each year we spread Christmas cheer in our locality by delivering handmade Christmas Cards to three local nursing homes.

We are delighted to continue this lovely tradition this year! Next week the Student Council will deliver Christmas Cards made by boys from 2nd- 6th Class to residents in Raheny House Nursing Home, Sybil Hill Nursing Home and St. Francis Hospice, Raheny.



P.A. Fundraising



A huge well done and thank you to our school's Parents' Association for organising and co-ordinating the Christmas Fair on Friday 25th November. The day was a fantastic success and many parents, staff and visitors to the school commented on the wonderful atmosphere. This spirit is due to the tireless work and commitment of our Parents' Association and parent volunteers. A massive €2763.23 (after costs) was raised on the day.

Christmas Cards

The **Christmas Cards** organised by the P.A. were also a great success with €1301.27 (after costs) being raised.

Thank you to all the boys and their families who visited the Christmas Fair and bought Christmas cards during our recent fundraising efforts.

NON-UNIFORM DAY

Boys may dress in their own clothes on the day of the holidays – Wednesday **21st December** (€2 donation please for Parents' Association Fundraising)



May I take this opportunity to thank you all for your support throughout the year and wish you and your families a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

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