

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Welcome to the December newsletter. As we are fast approaching the holiday season, please see below some important information.

Christmas Jumper Day

We will hold our optional annual Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 17th December. Small donations are welcome and all proceeds will go to charity.

Christmas Holidays

The school will close for the Christmas holidays on **Wednesday 22nd of December at 12.00 noon**. The school transport has been arranged accordingly. The school will re-open on **Thursday 6th January 2022**.

Christmas Annuals

The deadline for purchasing the Christmas Annual has now passed. The annuals will be given to the children on Monday 13th December 2021.

Cycling

The 6th class pupils will finish their Cycling sessions today 10th November weather permitting. Well done to all who completed the course.

2nd Class Readathon

Well done to Mrs. Gibson and all the boys and girls in 2nd class who participated in the M.S. Readathon. Lots of books were read and a massive €1,460.00 raised for charity. Thank you to all who sponsored this fantastic and successful event.

Virtual Panto – Little Red Riding Hood

We may not be in a position to travel this year, but luckily that won't stop us enjoying the Panto season as the boys and girls will be tuning in to "Little Red Riding Hood" from the Helix in Dublin.

Parent/Teacher Calls

Most of the Parent/Teacher meeting calls have been made at this stage. If you have not received your call, please contact the school. Remember you can contact the school via the Aladdin App or email <u>scoileoghain@gmail.com</u>

Food Drive

We wish to take this opportunity to thank you all so much for the very generous donations. The deadline for receipt of donations has now passed. Thanks to our HSCL Sabrina Doherty for co-ordinating the initiative.

In-service for New Language Curriculum

As the teacher in-service for the new Language Curriculum did not take place on the 8th December due to Storm Barra. This will now take place later in 2022 and we will give plenty of notice prior to the new date.

Pupil Absences

If your child is absent from school for any reason, please inform the school with a written explanation following their absence. This is to assist us fulfil our legal requirements surrounding attendance monitoring.

Attendance

Attendance for September 89.1%, October 91.8%, November 87.8%. Remember every day counts! Well done to all those with good attendance and punctuality.

Communication

If you are contacting the school for any reason, please do so via Aladdin or email <u>scoileoghain@gmail.com</u>. If you are picking your child up or dropping them off, please do so from the school gate.

Obviously, there will be no play or concert this year, but all classes have been busy with various Christmas activities and celebrating the true meaning of Christmas.

The school has been decorated beautifully for Christmas and we are aware that this year you will not be able to enjoy it, so we have compiled a few photos to give you an insight of how festive it is.

We would like to wish you all a very Happy and safe Christmas and we look forward to seeing you all on the 6th January 2022.

Mise le meas

Liam McDermott (Principal)

