



# St. Joseph's Primary School Christmas Newsletter 2008



## Christmas Greetings:

On behalf of everyone here in St. Joseph's Primary School I take this opportunity of wishing you all a very happy Christmas and every good wish to you in the New Year.

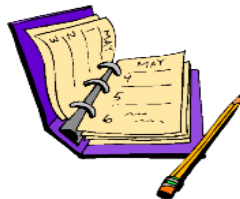
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This term has been very busy for us.

Inspectors from the Department of Education and Science have just completed a whole school evaluation ( W.S.E.) of the work of our school. It was tremendous to get such positive and affirming recognition from Department officials about the wonderful teaching and learning which happens in our school. Well done to everyone !

## Dates for your diary

- Christmas Holidays: Tues 23rd Dec
- School re-opens : Wed 7th Jan
- Mid-Term: Mon 16th, Tues 17th Feb.
- St. Patrick's Day: 16th march
- Easter Holidays: 6th -17th April



## Christmas Concert

Wednesday  
17th December at  
9.30a.m. in the school  
hall.

## History in the making!!!

The St. Joseph's Girls football team made history by being the first ever team to represent their school in the Sciath na Scol National School Football League. Overall the team finished in third place which is a marvellous achievement ! Well done to our coaches Tara Brosnan and Marian O'Callaghan. Special thanks to all our supporters .

Junior Infants, Senior Infants and 1st Classes have been working very hard and are looking forward to performing for you all.

## Basketball league:

Our mini basketball league is going really well. Training is after school on Monday evenings.



## Confirmation Day

22nd April

## First Communion Day

23rd May

## Santa and the Magical Christmas tree:

All classes from Juniors to 4th Class had a great trip to the Briery Gap recently to see this spectacular show.



Parish Carol Service On December 14th our school choir and recorder band gave a wonderful performance. They have achieved a remarkable standard under the expert guidance of Mrs. Monica O'Brien.

Uniform Update: Many thanks to all of you who have personally contacted me to compliment the new school jacket. I am delighted you are so pleased with this new look. Many thanks to the Parents' Association for all your help

Mobile Phones: Children should only have mobile phones in school if it is absolutely essential that the child needs it after school. All phones must be named and put in the box in the hall. The school accepts no responsibility for the loss, damage or theft of these phones. Any phone not handed up will be confiscated.

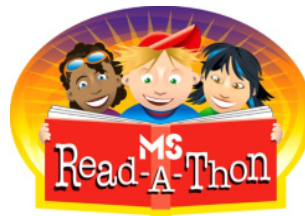


## Operation Christmas Child

All 253 boxes are on their way to foreign parts. I know that they will bring happiness to lots of children this Christmas.

## M.S. Readathon

books read and gathered for this worthwhile cause.



## School Calendar

Did you get the class calendar for your child? They are a lovely keepsake of these precious years in primary school.

## Project winners:

Our language Support teachers and pupils were winners yet again at the Sherkin Island Environmental Project Competition. Do come and look at their impressive winning projects on The Gearagh and on Animals which are on display in the school hall.

Cross country running took part in the Town Park in October. Our team did us proud and won numerous trophies and medals.

Swimming: 2nd and 3rd classes have been swimming this term and had great fun!



## Quiz Time:

Congratulations to 6th class who were fantastic in the recent library quiz. Well done girls.