MAYNOOTH BOYS' NATIONAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Christmas Cards

The PTA have reported that 70% of families availed of the packs of Christmas Cards with your own son's artwork. This is a lovely momento to send to your family or friends. Thank you to the volunteers who co-ordindate this between September and November, to ensure that you have them in time for posting.

Carol Concert

On Thursday 18th December the whole school went to the church for a Carol concert. Two readers from 1st class to 6th class re-told the story of the nativity, while each class level represented the story through Christmas carols. T'was the week before Christmas and both Mr. Murphy and Mr. Downes captured the atmosphere around the school adding a twist to the class poem "Twas the night before Christmas". The Concert was a great success and we thank all of the teachers and students involved. Space in the church was limited but thank you to all the parents who attended also.

Notice from Gardaí

Just before the holidays, we received notification from the Gardaí that they will be attending to illegal parking in the vicinity of the school in the New Year. You have been warned! Meanwhile, if you are not already in the habit of collecting your child/ren on foot, or parking legally nearby (Aldi and Dunnes Car Parks spring to mind), why not make a New Year's Resolution to do so in future.





3rd and 4th Class Swimming

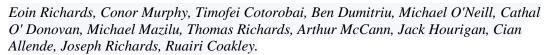
Friday swimming classes for 3rd and 4th classes are due to commence very shortly. You will receive a letter about it this week. Could you complete the slip attached to the letter and return it to the school as promptly as possible please.

Open Day

Our Annual Open Day is scheduled for Friday 13th February – you might like to make a special note of this date in your diary.

5K Run

Congratulations to the boys who ran the 5K Race in aid of St. Vincent de Paul on 17th December in St. Patrick's College.







FAI Under 10 North Kildare FUTSAL Competition

On Thursday the 11th December last, eight boys from 4th Class represented the school in the FAI Under 10 North Kildare FUTSAL Competition in The Mill Sports Centre in Celbridge. The team was in a group against schools from Clane, Kilcock and Sallins. In

their first game, the boys played brilliantly in a very tight match against Clane A, with the game finishing 3-3. In their second match against Scoil Uí Ríada from Kilcock, they won 5-3, with great performances from Patrick Mahoney and Sidik Mohammed. Two more fantastic wins then followed against Clane B (4-1) and St. Laurence's from Sallins (3-2). The boys finished top of the group and were crowned North Kildare Champions for 2014. Every member of the panel made a significant contribution to this tremendous achievement and their manager, Mr. McGeady, and everyone in the school are extremely proud of them. Well done boys!!

Panel: Jack Egan, Tom Grehan, Eoin Wallace, Hugh Doddy, Patrick Mahoney, Cillian Geraghty, Sidik Mohammed and Stephen Odiashi.

Carol Singing

Well done to the boys who went Carol Singing to Tesco's and raised €274.50 for the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Infant Nativity

Congratulations to our three Junior Infant Classes who made their stage debut on 19th December in St. Mary's Church. The play was called "Born in a Barn" and a few stars of our own were "born". The play was enjoyed by all who attended and reflected the hard work and enthusiasm of both teachers and students. Thank you to all involved.

After School Activities

Enrolments for Session 3 of After School Activities will take place on Thursday 8th January, 2015 from 9.10 a.m. to 9.20 a.m. in the P.E. Hall; class teachers cannot accept applications. The application form below must be in an envelope and the appropriate fee enclosed. The envelope must have marked on it: Pupil's Name, Class & Teacher, The Activity and the Amount Enclosed. For administration purposes, applications cannot be accepted unless in this format. All classes will run for 6 weeks. Places are limited and will be on a first come, first served basis. Cheques should be made payable to Maynooth BNS. Please complete attached registration form below.

Guitar Classes (1st - 6th Class)



Beginners classes are every Monday 3-4 p.m. commencing 12th January, 2015. Mr. Davis will take a limited number of new pupils on Mondays. Pupils from previous term will remain in the same group.

Improvers classes are every Tuesday 3-4 p.m. commencing 13th January, 2015.

2nd Class After School Sports Club

Every Monday commencing 12th January, 2015.

3rd and 4th Class After School Sports Club

Every Tuesday commencing 13th January, 2015.



Arts & Crafts (1st – 6th Class Every Tuesday commencing 13th January, 2015. (*Classes will go ahead depending on numbers).

5th and 6th Class After School Sports Club

Every Thursday commencing 15th January, 2015.

Homework Club

Homework Club is on Monday – Thursday (from 5th to 8th January to cover missed days due to Croke Park Hours). The next session begins on 12th January, 2015.



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I wish my son to partake in (please tick)		
Monday Guitar Classes (Beginners)	€30	
Monday 2 nd After School Sports Club	€30	
Tuesday Guitar Classes (Improvers)	€30	
Tuesday Arts & Crafts	€35	
Tuesday 3 rd /4th After School Sports Club	€30	
Thursday 5 th /6 th Class After School Sports Club	€30	
Homework Club (Mon – Thur)	€60	
Child's Name	Class	
Parent/Guardian's Signature		