

26th November 2014.

Parent Circular 3

Dear Parent(s)/ Guardian(s),

Book Fair: The promotion of reading amongst pupils is extremely important and the annual Book Fair continues to have a hugely positive effect on pupils' reading. Support of the Book Fair was extraordinary again this year and I would like to thank all the parents and pupils who support the event and the Parents' Association for organising it. The target for this year was exceeded with over €4,000 spent on books. As a result, books to the value of sixty percent of the money spent will be supplied to the school for the school library, class libraries and specific reading programmes in the school.

Inter-school quiz competitions: The school table quiz teams have enjoyed great success in quizzes of late. The Sixmilebridge NS team currently lies top of the leader-board with full marks in the Clare FM Inter-Schools Quiz. The quiz was recorded here in the school and, so far, no other school has achieved full marks. If that remains the case, Sixmilebridge NS will be declared this year's winners.

Two teams also participated in the INTO Inter-Schools Table Quiz in Ennis earlier this week. Both teams performed very well with one team finishing in fifth place and the other finishing in second place.

The members of the quiz teams were: Sinéad Cahill, Colin Kelly, Will Fitzpatrick, Luke O' Halloran, Conor Morey, Ben Dalton McSherry, Óran O' Reilly and James Egan. Well done to everyone.

New School Building Project: A community meeting regarding the progress of the school building project will take place in the school hall on Thursday 11th December at 7.30pm sharp. This will be an informative meeting and will be attended by members of the Design Team who will present the design of the new building. All parents welcome.

Christmas Cards: The annual Christmas card venture was a great success again this year. The children have designed wonderful cards which can be sent to family and friends. Thank you to everyone who supported the event. €710 was raised for the school.

8th December: Pupils will attend morning mass in the church on Monday 8th December to celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

Junior & Senior Infants: Junior and Senior Infant pupils are preparing for the Christmas season and we would like to invite their parents to attend a performance of a short selection of some Christmas

songs and poems in the school hall on Tuesday 16th December at 11.45am sharp. We look forward to seeing you then.

Christmas Show & 'Lighting of the Bridge': The Christmas Show organised by the Pat Mullins School of Irish Dancing in conjunction with the Cushla-Murphy-Hehir Speech & Drama School and the school's Parents' Association will take place in the GAA hall on Friday 12th December at 7.30pm. Song, dance, drama and a special performance by the school choir will ensure a thoroughly enjoyable night for all. All proceeds will go to the School Development Fund. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

The school choir will also perform at the 'Lighting of the 'Bridge' event on Sunday 7th December in the square assembling at 4.30pm. This will also be an event not to be missed.

Teaching Practice: Student teachers from Mary Immaculate College of Education are currently on placement for a two-week block of teaching practice in first, second, fifth and sixth classes.

Parent Contributions: Many thanks to all parents/ guardians who have already made their parent contributions.

School Lunches: The cost of lunches is €20 for November and €15 for December payable to the office.

Le gach dea ghúí,

Gareth Heagney

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