

Killea, Templemore. Co. Tipperary E41HW20

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Scoilnuacht 30: December 2023

#### Panto Trip

We are looking forward to travelling to the University Concert Hall, Limerick, on Thursday December 21st to see Sleeping Beauty. We will leave school at 8.30am to arrive in time for the show at 10am.

#### **Ukelele Lessons**

We have been enjoying our lessons with Marina every Monday morning. Marina is looking forward to the arrival of her little baby in the New Year and we wish her the very best. We look forward to keeping up the practise ourselves now that we have had excellent taster sessions with Marina.

#### **Dance Classes**

Thursday afternoons with Rosalie have been proving a great hit and we are looking forward to revisiting these lessons during Term 3.

#### "Say Yes To Languages" Pilot Programme

We are delighted to be participating in this new Government initiative. We will be enjoying a 9 week period of French lessons every Thursday morning from mid-January. Typically, this programme is aimed at children from 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> classes. We are in the very fortunate position to be able to open this programme to all our children.

#### "The Nativity" Christmas show

Excitement is building for The Nativity on Tuesday December 19th in Killea Church at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

#### TY Work Experience

Tara Bourke has been with us every Friday as part of her TY programme. We also welcomed Lauren Flynn who did her experience as a full week. It has been great having the extra help and we will be delighted giving very positive feedback to both Our Lady's Templemore and Cashel Community School TY coordinators now that they have completed their time with us.

Ar Scath a Cheile a Mhaireann Na Daoine

School Roll No: 14460N Principal: Mary Kennedy Deputy Principal: Kate McGrath





#### Sale of Work

Compliments and appreciation to our wonderful Parents Association and community for the very successful Sale of Work at the weekend.

#### **Clothes Collection Fundraiser**

We will have a collection in February so if anyone is planning a Spring claean in January, maybe keep us in mind for some bags.

#### **SVP Collection**

We are running our food and toy appeal for the local branch and all support is welcome.

#### **Parent Teaching Meetings**

We plan on having these in February and will issue dates early in the new term.

#### **Board of Management**

We extend appreciations to our outgoing Board who have been so supportive and loyal to our school over their 4 year term of office. We welcome Christine Fogarty to our new Board fro the 2023- 2027 term.

Chairperson- Mary d'Estelle Roe

Parents Representatives- Ian Cheshire and Christine Fogarty

Bishop's Nominee- Fr. Conor Hayes

Community Representatives- Margaret Quinlan and Matt Corcoran

School Representatives- Mary Kennedy and Kate McGrath

#### **Swimming**

We have booked a 7-week block of swim lessons in Roscrea Leisure Centre for March and April. Swimming will be every Tuesday morning.

#### **Wellbeing Week**

During the lead up to Christmas we will be doing the first stage of our Wellbeing SSE(school self-evaluation) This process, with any subject or topic, provides us with vital information to help guide our planning. Here at school, we will be participating in Wellbeing Surveys. We will also issue a parent survey and would appreciate you taking the time to fill these in and return them. In Term 2 we will progress with activities and projects during Wellbeing Week.



#### Killea Preschool

We are looking forward to welcoming Lorraine, Hazel and all the crew to our school community on January 8<sup>th</sup>. Exciting times ahead for all of us. Lorraine can be easily reached at <a href="mailto:killea@readysteadygo.ie">killea@readysteadygo.ie</a> 085 7329842

#### **News from the Classes**

Michaella is looking forward to visiting Dublin Zoo to experience the Wild lights. Darcie had a wonderful weekend visiting Santa. Meabh is excited to see her cousins soon as they visit for dinner. Christmas at Isla's house will be extra fun this year as her aunt and uncle travel over from Scotland. Seoidin went ice skating in Limerick this week and had a wonderful day. Megan is fast becoming a Taekwondo superstar as she was recently awarded the blue belt. Ettienne enjoyed the Michale Jackson reenactment concert he was fortunate enough to travel to recently. Sinead is competing in her final show jumping competition of 2023 this weekend. Noah has a busy schedule this weekend getting all his Christmas shopping sorted. Aoibhe is keeping her fitness going right up to the holidays as she heads off to soccer training this evening and Cliodhna has great memories from last weekend's Oiche Ceoil in Killea.

#### **Christmas holidays**

Staff training on Friday December 22<sup>nd</sup> as a follow on form our Maths Inservice. Children will finish for the holidays on Thursday afternoon. Wishing you all a safe and happy Christmas and looking forward to sharing a healthy and prosperous New Year together at Killea NS. We reopen on Monday January 8<sup>th</sup>





