# ST. DAVID'S NATIONAL SCHOOL

# **December Newsletter**

Please see below our news from December.



Carol Singing - Wednesday 21st December 2022

### Christmas Celebrations

The pupils and staff put a lot of effort into decorating their classrooms and school. St. David's looks fantastic! We all enjoyed a Christmas sing-along on our last day before the holidays. We did this outside to ensure everyone stays safe and healthy for Christmas.

#### Luke Hawkins

Luke visited our school on Thursday  $15^{th}$  December with 10 transition year pupils. They played games about the Christmas Nativity. We took part in a quiz. The winners of the quiz won a prize and we all enjoyed it very much!

#### Christmas Concert

Due to illness and staffing issues we were unable to hold our concert in December. We are delighted to announce that our concert will now take place on  $24^{th}$  January @ 5:45pm in St. David's Church. This is sure to be a wonderful evening for all!

# PTA Movie Night

Due to illness, we were forced to cancel the PTA Movie Night. We are delighted to announce that the Movie Night will now be held on Thursday  $12^{th}$  January. More details to follow.

## Junior and Senior Infants

We had a lovely December in school. We had lots of fun playing with friends. We painted penguins. We also have an advent calendar in the hall and in our classroom. We lit a candle on the advent wreath. We made delicious 'pudding' cookies. Yummy!

#### First and Second Class

We've had great fun creating Christmas Art. We also learned lots of Christmas words as gaeilge. We enjoyed watching the senior pupils rehearse their Christmas concert. We were so lucky to enjoy a hot chocolate with Mrs Rankin for being so well behaved.

#### Third and Fourth Class

We have had a great December. We have been enjoying playing Benchball in the hall. We earned 3800 Dojo points and won a Teddy Bear's Picnic in the hall. Luke visited us last week. We learned about the nativity. We acted out the nativity. We have been working on a Santa Project. We have learned lots of songs for our Christmas Play. We also completed an Italy Project.

## Fifth and Sixth Class

We completed a penguin project and watched 'The March of the Penguins' documentary. We have rehearsed a lot for our Christmas concert and can't wait to perform for you all in January. We've enjoyed Music Generation where sixth class played Christmas songs on the ukulele and  $5^{th}$  class created Silent Night on the Garage Band App. We had a Christmas party which we enjoyed greatly.

## **Important Dates**

- Thursday 5th January- Return to school
- Friday 6th January- Senior swimming begins
- Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> January- Movie Night
- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January- Full day closure
- Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January- Christmas Concert
- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February- Parent Teacher Meetings (Individual time slots to follow)

Merry Christmas, Vivienne Rankin

Here at St. David's, we have an open-door policy and are always available to answer questions and provide support to all pupils and parents.