

St. Mary's Parish Primary School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to all our pupils after the mid-term break. It's hard to believe it's less than 7 weeks to the Christmas holidays. Thank you to all the families who have sent in "Run Around the World" **sponsorship money and cards**. As far as possible we would like all money sent in by the end of this week. Our "Run Around the World" is going really well. We have covered approx. 4,500 km so far and we reached Cairo before the break. See pictures, video and running total on website.

Note the school will be closed on Friday 18th November as teachers have an in-service day for the introduction of the new language curriculum.

This half term has gotten off to a great start with our **science week**. All pupils from 1st to 6th classes have attended science workshops facilitated by groups such as W5, Junior Einsteins and the Rediscovery Centre.

Congratulations to the girls' Gaelic football team coached by Ms. Redden and Mr. Hanlon who won the Cumann na mBunscol Corn Oriel Competition. (See report and pictures on school website).

HALLOWEEN DRESS UP Thanks to the pupils and teachers who made a great effort for the Halloween dress up. See pictures in "Gallery" on website.

Maths week Pupils enjoyed Maths week before the break with a focus on fun maths activities including extra time spent on Maths puzzles and Maths trails around the school building.

PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS will take place on Thursday 24th November, although you may be offered a time earlier that week. Ms. Saurin and Ms. Fitzpatrick's class will have their meetings on Tuesday 22nd. Ms J Mc Donnell (Senior Infants) class, now being taught by Ms Collins will have their Parent Teacher meetings after Christmas.

CONFIRMATION takes place on Sunday 28th May. Please note that 12.00 Mass on that day is for Ms. Power's, Mr. Hanlon's and Mr. Shaw's classes. The 3pm Mass is for Mr. R. Kelly's and Mr. Quinn's classes.

Reminder for Confirmation candidates from 6th class ~ Confirmation Commitment ceremony this Sunday at either 10.30am or 12 noon Mass in St. Mary's Church.

Please note the following dates:-

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| Friday 18th November | – | SCHOOL CLOSED |
| Tuesday 13 th December | – | 1 st Class ~ Christmas Show 7.30pm |
| Wednesday 14 th December | – | 3 rd Class ~ Christmas Show – 7.30pm |
| Thursday 15 th December | – | 5 th Class ~ Christmas Show – 7.30pm |
| Thursday 22 nd December | – | School closes at 12 noon for Christmas Holidays. |

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Philip Ward