



## NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2020

	<p><b>Parent-Teacher Meetings</b></p> <p>Due to current Public Health guidelines we will not be holding our usual PT Meetings this November. If you have any queries about your child's progress you may put a message in Google Classroom or request a phone call from your child's teacher. The teacher will then follow up on such queries.</p>
	<p><b>Shoe Box Appeal</b></p> <p>Over the years we have taken different approaches to the Christmas Shoe Box Appeal. This year the appeal is on line. Anyone who would like to support this cause can send in a small donation to go towards the purchase of a gift-filled shoe box for vulnerable children in Africa and Eastern Europe.</p>
	<p><b>Reminder</b></p> <p>The school will be closed on Monday December 7<sup>th</sup>. As circumstances are very strained at the moment, we see this day as an opportunity for us all to recharge the battery, and so it is noted on the school calendar as a Wellness Day.</p>
	<p><b>Christmas Jumper</b></p> <p>For the first time in 25 years we will be unable to hold our annual Christmas Quiz. Instead we will have a Christmas Jumper day on December 11<sup>th</sup>. All donations received on the day will go to the local St Vincent de Paul. We feel it is important for the children to help those in need in our community.</p>
	<p><b>Travel</b></p> <p>If you intend to travel outside of Ireland this Christmas please be aware of the requirements to quarantine and restrict your movement. This applies to children, as well as adults, and may result in a child being unable to attend school for up to two weeks on their return. This is an evolving situation so please keep informed of updates.</p>
	<p><b>Masks</b></p> <p>Thank you for your cooperation with the drop off and pick up. Please adhere to the specific Super Pod times, do not crowd the pathway and wear a face mask. Please be particularly mindful of road safety outside the school.</p>
	<p><b>Healthy Lunches</b></p> <p>As you know we try to promote healthy eating in the school so we ask you to please refrain from giving the children sugary foods and drinks. They are allowed a small treat on Fridays only. As we have a number of people with allergies and reactions we are a Nut Free zone, so please be careful with the lunch items, especially cereal bars.</p>
	<p><b>Silhouettes</b></p> <p>Thank you to the PTA for the gift of 6 large silhouettes of sports people which add an extra dimension to the PE Hall, enhancing our school environment in a striking manner.</p> <p>We are also very grateful to the PTA for the purchase of a new Reading Scheme for those who struggle with reading. This has already been put to very good use. Go raibh maith agaibh.</p>