Family Note 4 (29th November 2023)

Dear parents,



As December approaches, below are dates for some upcoming events at our school:

Date	Event
Sunday, 3 rd Dec	Parish Nativity practice in Barraduff Church 7-8:30pm (for those involved)
Friday, 8 th Dec	School CLOSED for pupils (Primary Maths Curriculum Training Day for Staff)
Saturday, 9 th Dec	Parish Nativity & Switching on of Lights in Barraduff at 7:30pm ~ all welcome
Thursday, 14 th Dec	School Christmas Mass at 10:30am ~ parents are welcome to attend & we will
	make every effort to find a space for those who will be with us.
Friday, 15 th Dec	-Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Kerry Hospice €2
	-Indoor Soccer Competition ~ 5&6 th Classes (in Killarney Sports & Leisure)
Sat/Sun 16&17 th Dec	Church Gate Collection at all Parish Masses for our school
Tuesday 19 th Dec	Ms Fenton's Nativity 9:30am & 11am for Infant parents
Friday 22 nd Dec	School Holidays – finish at 12noon

- Wine & Art Night: We look forward to an enjoyable evening at the Killarney Rotary Club's Wine & Art night in the Great Southern Hotel this evening. Thank you sincerely to those who supported the school in purchasing tickets for the event. Last year's monies raised funded our *School Garden Project* a worthwhile initiative!
- **PANTO!** We will travel to The Everyman Theatre on Wednesday, 20th December to see Beauty & The Beast. Tickets and bussing (**subsidised by funds raised at Clothes Collection in October**) is €28 per pupil. This can be sent to your child's class teacher by Friday, 15th December.

Recent Events:

- Well-Being Day: Thank you to our Student Council and Ms Fenton for a wonderful Well-being Day on Friday last. There was an extremely happy and positive vibe in the classrooms and corridors on the day! ^(c)
- **Parent Teacher Meetings:** Thank you for your attendance at our recent Parent Teacher Meetings and for the positive feedback received since. We appreciate the support and positive relations with you as we continue to work together to support the pupils in our school.
- **Parish Bazaar:** Well done to Aiden O Connor & Robyn O Rahilly on winning the school's art competition this weekend and to all those who participated.
- School Garden & Green Schools: Well done to everyone involved in our recent Autumn Harvest Day. Pupils and staff worked with Ian from Gortbrack Organic Farm, harvesting and cooking the produce of our school garden. Thank you to Ms Cronin for leading this initiative in our school.
- **Guide Dogs Ireland:** We enjoyed a lovely visit from 'Marcel' and his carers Anna & Ann from the Tralee Branch of Guide Dogs). Well done to everyone who donated a total €200 for this worthy cause. Thank you to Mr O Connor for organising same.
- **STEPS Engineering Project:** Third Class & Ms O Connor have been working hard over the past weeks on their engineering project to enter STEPS. They enjoyed meeting engineer Joe Golden last week who spoke with the class about the work of an engineer and how engineering is all around us in our everyday lives.

