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Dear Parents,

Nativity Plays – Junior and Senior Infant classes

Our Infant classes have been working hard on their Nativity Play. All costumes will be provided by the school. Please help your son to practice his lines at home and to project his voice. All plays will take place at 1.15pm in the school hall.

Ms. Corry's Junior Infants	Wednesday 5 th December
Ms. Garry's Junior Infants	Thursday 6 th December
Ms. Dardis' Senior Infants	Wednesday 12 th December
Ms. Friel's Senior Infants	Thursday 13 th December

Bob-a-Job

As you are aware our Bob-a-Job fundraiser is up and running. We are all encouraging the boys to help with chores and hope that you are enjoying all their efforts. Please remember to record each job on their sponsored card. As a reward for their effort the boys will have a full day of fun, sport and activity in the last week in November. The closing date for all cards and money will be Friday 30th November. Thanks to Karen who has started to put a collage together in our school hall with photos of all the boys doing their various chores. Please forward photos to our school email address stated above. We have received photos of Elliot Kelly (4th class) hoovering the car. Pearce O'Connor (Junior Infants) did a fantastic job sweeping the leaves on his driveway and washing the family car. The bathroom in Jack Nolan's (2nd class) house is clean as a whistle after all his scrubbing last weekend.

Science Week

Science Week started on Monday and most classes are marking the event in some way. Ms. Dempsey's 2nd class attended Lucan library on Monday where they took part in a science workshop on chromatography (separating colour) experiments using markers and skittles. Please check www.anyone4science.ie. Another workshop visited Ms. Walsh's 2nd class yesterday on floating and sinking and they also made parachutes. This was organised by the Rediscovery Centre through the library in Palmerstown. Mr. Keegan's 4th class visited Lucan library today to work on an area of STEM. The class focused on technology used in the movie industry. They created their own script and filmed and produced it. Please check www.createschool.ie for more information. Many thanks to Ms. Dempsey who co-ordinated all these workshops.

Virtual Open Day Video

We filmed a 'Virtual Open Day' today to promote everything that is good about our school. Many thanks to Ms. Russell, Ms. Teehan and Ms. Dardis who directed this short film and prepared our school hall. There was footage from some of our classrooms and we showcased most of our extra-curricular activities such as our Homework Club, Lego Club, Sports and Social Club and our new Chess Club. We also recorded our choir and our various sports such as Gaelic football, hurling, athletics, hockey and cricket. We are very grateful to Paul Deighan (father of Eamon in Ms. Friel's Senior Infant class) for taking time out from his busy schedule to film this event and edit it free of charge.

Quiz

Mr. Clandillon and Ms. Staunton are organising a quiz for 4th, 5th and 6th class boys tomorrow (16th November) in the School Hall between 6 and 8pm. This will cost €2 per person to cover prizes. Boys are not required to wear their uniform for this event.

Lost and Found

Our caretaker, Christy Byrne, has placed all the lost and found school tracksuits and jumpers in a large black bag near the office if boys and parents wish to have a look. Please label all tracksuits and school jumpers.

Marathon Kids

Our 5th and 6th classes visited Morton Stadium in Santry yesterday to complete the final stage of their marathon which they have been running each day for the past few weeks. Each boy has now run a marathon which is a great achievement. Their level of fitness has definitely increased and we hope to maintain this over the year. Each boy received a t-shirt and a medal at the stadium. Many thanks to Ms. O'Malley for organising this event.

Le dea-ghuí,

Dara Burke, Principal