

NEWSLETTER

Welcome back to school everyone. Now that Christmas and the holidays are over we can concentrate on the new year and all it brings. This is a busy term with all the usual activities.

LAST DAY OF TERM

The last day of the Christmas term was a fun filled day with everyone dressing up in their Christmas jumpers. The day ended with the surprise visit of Santa Claus to school which caused great excitement. Santa led us all in some songs and had a chat with the children about their Christmas lists before leaving a small gift bag for each child.

It was a lovely way to begin the Christmas holidays.



Hockey and Soccer

Hockey and soccer will resume on the week of Monday 15th and some matches are planned for this term. More information to follow.

Choir

The choir has a busy term ahead and will be taking part in a variety of performances as well as singing at the parish ACE services. Most notably the choir will take part in the Peace Proms concert in the RDS on Sunday 4th February at 8 p.m. This is a great family event and we'd appreciate any support. Tickets are available from this link: [Peace Proms tickets 2018](#)

Some choir members will also take part in a choral day in St.Columba's College at the beginning of March.

ACE Services

The remaining ACE services this year will take place on 21st January, 11th March (Mothering Sunday), 15th April, 20th May and 17th June. *Please note that all choir members are expected to attend three services in the year so if your child has not attended an ACE service, they should make sure that they go to these services so that they can be part of the end of year trip to Clara Lara!*

MUSIC GENERATION

South Dublin County Council and Music Generation has continued to offer the children in Junior Infants - 3rd Classes singing lessons and guitar lessons to pupils in 4th - 6th classes. These lessons are heavily subsidised by the county council and Music Generation and represent great value for money. If you haven't paid your Music Generation fee or for the trip to the Music Festival in Tallaght before Christmas, please do so online in the usual way.

STAFF

We welcome Mrs. Scannell back to school as the team teacher after the birth of her son, Robert. Ms. Hamilton has now started her maternity leave and we wish her all the best for the upcoming birth of her baby. Miss O'Driscoll has taken over as Junior Infant teacher.

HALF TERM

School will close on Friday 9th February for mid-term and re-open on Monday 19th February at 8.20 a.m.