

SAFETY NOTICES:

- ALL PUPILS MUST WEAR A COAT TO SCHOOL IN WINTER
- SUPERVISION STARTS AT 8:20AM
- DROP AND GO IN THE MORNINGS
- NO PARENTS ON SITE DURING YARD BREAKS
- ARRIVE NO EARLIER THAN 1PM FOR 1:20PM PICK-UP.
- BUS BAYS ARE FOR THE BUSES ONLY
- STAFF CAR PARK IS A RESTRICTED AREA
- WE ARE A NUT-FREE SCHOOL
- ANY SAFETY OR WELFARE CONCERNS CONTACT:

SHEELAGH MURPHY
(PRINCIPAL & DLP)

STEPHEN TERRY
(DEPUTY PRINCIPAL & DDLP)

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Christmas Jumper Day

We are really looking forward to our Christmas Jumper Day next **Tuesday 17th December**. All boys are asked to bring in €2 on the day in aid of UNICEF. We are also planning a run/walk around the track.



Donate a Christmas Jumper

On Monday we would welcome donations of any old, preloved Christmas Jumpers, which could be passed on to other boys in the school. All sizes welcome (including adult sizes). Boys are also welcome to buy a jumper for €1 on Monday if they find one that they like.



Christmas Performances

A special word of thanks to everyone who visited this week to see a Christmas Performance. They boys were fantastic and we were delighted to meet and welcome so many parents and Grandparents to the school.



Christmas Raffle

Lots of tickets were sold during the Christ-

mas Raffle, thank you for your support. The draw will take place next Tuesday on our Christmas Jumper Day!



SVP Christmas Food Hampers

Our Food Hampers were collected this morning by the local St. Vincent de Paul. The response from parents was super, thank you for supporting our food drive.



Visit to the Fire Station

4th Class students were invited down to Portarlington Fire Station this week. They really enjoyed the visit.



12 Days of Christmas Attendance

Thank you for supporting our 12 Days of Christmas Attendance Campaign. We were delighted to see the improvement in attendance and punctuality over the last two weeks. We plan to continue our Attendance Awareness Campaign in the new year, keep up the good work!



Admissions Deadline

The deadline for accepting a place in Junior Infants 2025 is coming up next **Friday 20th December**.



Dates for the Diary

Please note the following dates in your diary:

Wednesday 15th January

- closing at **12:20pm** for a Termly Staff Meeting

Friday 7th February

- closing at **12:20pm** for Staff Training on new BÍ Cineálta Procedures.

Monday 3rd March

- **school closed** for Primary Maths Curriculum Training



End of Term 1

The School will finish up next **Friday 20th December**:

11:30am All Bus Pick-Ups

11:40am ARC, Junior Infants, 4th, 5th, 6th Classes

11:50am Senior Infants, 1st, 2nd, 3rd Classes

We will reopen for Term 2 on **Monday 6th January**.



3rd Sunday of Advent

It is the pink candle this Sunday, which symbolises Joy and the anticipation building for Christmas.