



Merry
Christmas

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Do this in Memory

We have had three "Do This in Memory" masses already. They are on Saturday and Sunday. We go up on the altar. We always bring our candles. The priest's name is Fr. Dan. Sometimes we bring rosary beads and leaves. We light our candles. At the start of mass, we walk up the aisle, two by two, to the altar. It is really exciting. We have a book called T.H.U.M.B. We always say the Our Father. All my friends are there. We get marshmallows from Fr. Dan. We meet at the back of the church. The choir sing songs.
By Emma Katelyn Niamh & Ódhran Gallagher

Basketball

We enjoy basketball training every Wednesday. Mari Johnston is our basketball coach. She teaches 5th and 6th class. We can now use the following basketball skills: pivot, layup, bounce pass, chest pass and zone defence. We are hoping to play in a basketball blitz. Thank you Mari for training us.
By Eva and Chloe

The circus

Before the Halloween break the circus came to our school. They were from Westmeath. There was a seven year old boy. There were two clowns called Sausage and Saucepan. They did amazing tricks. They played lots of music. Some people got scared.
By Caitriona and Matthew

Congrats to Ms Bailey & her husband Patrick on the birth of baby Niall. Oisín Doyle in Junior Infants has a new baby brother. His name is Ruairí. Congratulations to Oisín, his Mammy Niamh, Daddy Stephen and little brother Fintan.

Prickly Hay

Junior & Senior infants and first & second class are joining together for the performance of our Christmas Concert. It is called "Prickly Hay". We have eight songs in our play. The characters are shepherds, angels, cowboys & cowgirls, Kings, Joseph, Mary and the inn-keeper. We are performing it in the church because the community centre was knocked down but now it is being built up again. It is on 14th December. We are hoping that a lot of people can come. We hope everyone will enjoy it. Some people have a lot of lines to learn. We are practicing very hard. It is good fun.
By Rian Martin, Zach Clarke & Orla Croke



Sugradh le Chéile

On Friday the 16th November we got to play games with our parents in the school hall. The lady who helped us play the games was called Ester. She was very nice. We played Monkey Tail, Going on a Bear Hunt and ball games. At the end we got a drink and some fruit. Our parents had tea and biscuits. We all had lots of fun!!!!
By Junior Infants

Halloween Party

There was a Halloween party in the school. There was a disco in the hall and a movie in Miss Toolan's room. 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th were watching The Three Stooges while the infants, 1st and 2nd had the disco in the PE hall. After the film we went into the hall to the disco. There were lots of sweets and drinks. Then we all went home.
Liam C. & Niamh B.

German

We are learning a new language in our school-German. We learned colours and numbers with Britta. The colours are rot for red, blau for blue, gelb for yellow Lila for purple, grÜN for green, orange for orange, schwarz for black, weiß for white. Britta brought in a teddy and we learned what he was wearing. We enjoyed learning German. Britta enjoyed German too. Danke Britta.
By Cathal and Griffin
Welcome to Aoife Casey who has joined our staff to replace Ms Bailey. We hope she will enjoy her time with us.





Tag Rugby Blitz & Mini 7's

A man named Ross came to our school and taught us how to play tag rugby. It was very exciting. Ross said there was a tag rugby blitz in the Sligo I.T. The day before the blitz we were split into two teams, The Cloonacool Cheetahs and The Mean Machines. On the 24th of October we got on a bus to the I.T.. Curry N.S., Culfada and St Edwards and many other schools were there. We got our lunch there.



We all got certificates for taking part. Cloonacool were the highest scoring school there. It was brilliant. By Dean and Sean 6th class

We went to the mini 7's on the 12th of October. In the morning we got our jerseys. After that we got on the bus and went to Tubbercurry pitch. We were playing Achonry, Tubbercurry and Ballinacarrow. The boys won a match, drew a match, and lost a match. The girls won two matches and lost a match. We had an exiting time at the mini 7's. By Rian Moylan and Shane Prendergast



Hurling Coaching

Benny is our hurling coach. We play "Bombs Away. When we go out to Benny, we must wear helmets. We have two buttons on the side of the helmet. Benny helps us to put on our helmets. We use hurleys. We use a sliotar. We do cool tricks. We play lots of good games. It is on every Thursday.

By Callum Michael C. & Zac B.

Baboushka

The Christmas play is being held in the church this year. It is called **Baboushka**. It is performed by third, fourth, fifth and sixth class. The main characters are Baboushka, Tiddles and Boris. It is about a lady that does not believe in Christmas. Eventually Baboushka goes to see the baby. By Mairead & Ciaran

Our field trip: 5th and 6th

On our field trip we went to North Sligo. First we went to Glencar waterfall and lake which was a beautiful sight. Then we went to Streedagh beach where three ships from the Spanish Armada were wrecked in 1588. After that we went to Gleniff horseshoe and saw a cave, a school from the famine, Benbulbin and a baritus mine. Then we went to Creevykeel Court Cairn, which is the best example of a court cairn in Ireland. After we went to Mrs Kelly's mums and dads house and had our lunch there and some lovely buns that Mrs Kelly's mum made. After that, we went to the beach in Mullagh Mor, and found lots of interesting sea creatures and shells. On the way home Mrs Kelly treated us all to McDonalds.

By Aoibheann and Emer

Green School News

We are all very busy working on our Green School theme for this year which is Biodiversity. We hope to receive our 5th Green flag before the summer holidays. A lot of work has already been done with our school garden but we need to do a lot more. All classes spent the month of October working on Biodiversity. Junior and Senior Infants built a hedgehog hotel, First and Second Class studied birds in our local area, Third and Fourth class studied plant diversity and Fifth and Sixth Class had fun learning all about snails and earthworms. We all had a lot of fun learning new things and making displays for the hall. In December we are going to concentrate on feeding the birds and hopefully in January we will have a day of action where we will plant lots of trees.

By the Green School Committee

