

Date for diary:

Christmas Concerts: 12th & 13th

Dec – 7.30pm

Christmas Holidays – 21st Dec -12 noon



Penitential Service: Children from 2nd to 6th will visit the church with their class and teacher and priest for a confession service. Those children not attending will be looked after at school.

Sports Quiz for 6th class pupils –
Rochestown Park – 11th Dec – 4-6pm.



Peil Faoi Dhion Series 2018

Well done to 4th class boys and girls who took part in an indoor football blitz last Wednesday and Thursday. This blitz saw them compete against local schools. This event is very fast. The teams score into a net mounted on the wall and the ball is always in play – ie. play continues when it hits off the wall. Thank you to the Moms and Dad who kindly volunteered to drive the children to and from the matches in Ballinacarriga.

Children from 3rd to 6th enjoyed a visit from Irish author **Olive Mooney** last Friday. She read from her book and answered questions from the children.

CODE HOUR 2018

Each class worked on a different coding exercise either in their classrooms or in the front hall. They used Beebot, lightbot, kodable, code.org and Lego wedo. Múinteoir Elaine organised and facilitated this great hour for the kids.

Christmas Concerts

Wednesday 12th December

7.30pm: Children from the following rooms: Múinteoir Ina, Múinteoir Evelyn (Juniors and Seniors), Múinteoir Mary, Múinteoir Karen & Múinteoir Catherine.

Thursday 13th December

7.30pm: Children from the following rooms: Múinteoir Lisa, Múinteoir Coman, Múinteoir Sinead. Children to be at the hall at least 20 minutes beforehand.

Rehearsals will take place during the school day and O'Connor Coaches will bus the children to and from Butlerstown hall Free Of Charge. They do not need their costume unless informed by Ann Marie.

For any new parents.... the Christmas Concert takes place in Butlerstown Community Centre. The concert will be filmed and DVD's will be available through the Parents' Association. Children should be there 20mins before hand unless otherwise advised. All children should come dressed in their costume if possible. All children performing on the night will be supervised by school staff in the dressing area of the hall which is located on the right as you enter the building. There is an entry charge on

the night, however there is no charge for the second night if you need to attend both nights. If you wish to take your child home after their performance you are welcome to take them from where they are being supervised. If face paints are required your child will have been informed of this and there is a person in place for this backstage. Any further queries, contact the school (0238840381), ask the teacher or ask through our group on viber (0877699599).

Only 20 School Calendars Left - €10 each.

Carol Singing in the Airport – 4th girls, all of 5th class and 6th girls went to the airport during school time on Thursday. It was a wonderful experience. Some of their performance can be seen on our Facebook page or on Cork Airport page. Children showed their wonderful vocal talents and also we had children playing the tin whistle, flute, harp, clarinet, bodhrán, guitars and ukelele. Fantastic musical talent in the area. Thank you to parents who arrived on the day also (and brought along instruments). It was great to see familiar faces.



The Green Schools Committee have organised a visit from theatre company 'Mind The Gap' on **Monday 17th December**. *Mind the Gap is presently collaborating with An Taisce Green Schools through their 'Global Citizenship' green flag. Thanks to funding received from Irish Aid we are able to offer national schools in Munster*



the opportunity to incorporate two visits from Mind the gap artists into the school programme of events as you work towards obtaining the 'Global Citizenship' flag. This opportunity consists of:

- *A performance of our issue based show 'It's not fair'. A 40min circus and dance based show featuring a grandchild having to travel to India to get tea for his Granny. The show highlights development themes of; food security, Fairtrade, child labour and climate change in a way that is suitable for infants to 6th class.*



Lismore Heritage Centre

Lismore Heritage Group are rescheduled for **Tuesday 18th December**. These are Science Lessons for each classroom.



An Chomhairle Oidhreacht
The Heritage Council



It is envisaged we will have a visit from a member of *Heritage In Schools Scheme* on **Thursday 20th December**. Niamh O'Flynn BSc. Animal Scientist & Wildlife Educator teaches about Native Irish Wildlife and habitats and her visit includes powerpoint of photos, drawing, movement, artifact and maybe a walk in school grounds.

Head Lice – Senior Infant/First Class Room . This is the 3rd outbreak of Head Lice over a short period of time in this room. **It is the responsibility of every parent to check and treat the children in this room to eradicate the outbreak.** Your co-operation would be greatly appreciated.



