

# JANUARY '24

## | NEWSLETTER |

### Homework Club

Homework Club starts on the 8th January. Children may book in for homework club for one, two or three days in the week. An email has been sent with the booking form and costs.

### Chess

Chess starts again this Wednesday 10th January.

### Swimming

Swimming begins again this Thursday 11th January. Ms. Connolly has sent an email to those involved. If your child is no longer attending swimming, please let Ms. Connolly know.

### Hockey

Hockey will resume at 3 Rock Rovers Hockey Club next Monday 15th January .

### Active Sports

Active Sports starts again tomorrow.



## Welcome back!

Happy New Year everyone and welcome back to school. After our two weeks of holidays it's great to be back, rested and ready for the term ahead. This term we are trying out some of the new proposals that have been developed in the new Primary Curriculum Framework, as well as looking at some new ideas in our approach to maths as recommended in the new Primary Maths Curriculum. Interesting times ahead!

### Parking

Parking continues to be an issue in Washington Lane. Please take care not to park in such a way as to block local residents' driveways/entrances.

Also, please don't stop in the middle of the laneway to pick up or let children out. This is dangerous as there are a lot of small pedestrians around!

### Congratulations!

Well done to Willow Devoy in 5th class who won the over 9s category in in the SDCC competition for designing a Christmas decoration out of recycled materials. Willow has been invited to a special prize presentation next week.



### Absent from school

We are required to report children who are absent from school for more than 20 days to the Education Welfare Officer through Tusla.

Please note that the daily roll call takes place by 10a.m. and if your child arrives after that time they are marked as absent. You can check your child's attendance on the Aladdin Connect app - it's surprising how quickly the days can add up.

Children who are late for school need to be signed in at reception. Also, children who need to be collected early must be signed out at reception.

## Peace Proms



The school choir will take part in the Peace Proms concert on the 4th February 2024 at 7 p.m. in the RDS. This is a great occasion and a super show! Tickets are now sold out and unfortunately there are some parents who didn't get tickets. If you have any tickets to spare, please let us know so that we can put you in touch with parents looking for tickets.

### Hockey

Well done to both the boys' and girls' hockey teams who have done very well so far in their leagues. They only have a few games left so the best of luck for the rest of the season!

### Family Services

Family Services for the remainder of the school year will take place on:

- 20th January
- 17th February
- 17th March
- 21st April
- 19th May
- 16th June (Father's Day)

All services take place in Rathfarnham Parish Church at 10.30 a.m. and everyone is welcome!

### Mid-term

School will be closed for St. Brigid's Day on Monday 5th February.

School will be closed for mid-term for the week from 12th-16th February and will re-open again on Monday 19th.