

St Joseph's National School

Boyerstown

Newsletter 29th November 2018

- The Christmas Carol Service and Nativity, and Parents Council Christmas Raffle will take place in Boyertown Church on Wednesday 12th December starting @ 7pm. With all the pupils in Boyerstown School from junior infants to sixth class involved, we are very aware of the pressure on space in Boyerstown Church for all the parents/guardians, grandparents, relatives and friends who come to support the pupils on this special occasion. This year with the help of the Parents Council, we have organised a video link from the Church to Boyerstown Community Centre, that will transmit the Carol Service live to a large screen in the Community Centre. This will allow space and comfort and safety for all our welcome supporters to listen to and view the Carol Service on the night. To help accommodate the parents/guardians and relatives of the boys and girls in junior and senior infants who will recreate the Nativity story, we ask that parents/guardians and relatives from more senior classes that have seen the Nativity in previous years, would make use of the video-link presentation in the Community Centre. Thank you for your co-operation with this. Tea and coffee will be served in the Community Centre on the night and the Parents Council will hold the eagerly awaited Annual Christmas Raffle in the school hall after the Carol Service.
- Congratulations to Áine Lynam in 6th class who came first in Meath from 800 entries for the recent Meath Library Service Halloween Story competition. Áine won a prize of €500.00 worth of books for the school, a €40.00 voucher for books for herself and as part of the prize, Juliette Saumande - writer in residence for Meath Library 2018 - will come to Boyerstown School on Wednesday December 12th to conduct a creative writing workshop with the 5th & 6th class. Well done Áine on this fantastic achievement.
- Congratulations also to Orlaith Reilly who won a Spirit of the Match award for her outstanding performance in the Meath Schools Gaelic Football Final against Oristown. This is just the third time a pupil from Boyerstown has been chosen for such an award. Orlaith will receive her award in Dunganny on Wednesday 12th at a special prize-giving reception.

- With Electric Ireland informing us that there will be no electricity supply in Boyerstown School and the surrounding area on Thursday 6th December, unfortunately we will not be able to open the school. At other times of year we have been able to open the school, when this has occurred but with no heat and no light in the school at this time of year, reluctantly we had to make a decision to close the school. We apologise for any inconvenience caused. School will re-open as normal on Friday 7th December.
- Thank you to all the parents/guardians for attending the recent parent-teacher meetings in Boyerstown School. The teachers appreciate the time and effort that parents make to attend these meetings to discuss the academic and social progress of the pupils.
- Miss Mallon a student teacher in St. Patricks College of Education, Drumcondra will be teaching the pupils a variety of lessons in 1st and 2nd class over the next 3 weeks under the stewardship of class teacher Mrs Corrigan. We are delighted to welcome Miss Mallon to our school and wish her every success over the coming weeks.

Important Dates =

Vision & Hearing Screening Junior Infants Wed 5th Dec
 5th & 6th Class Christmas Puddings Wed 5th Dec
 School Closure - Thursday 6th December
 Solstice Concert - Friday 7th December
 Carol Service & Parent Council Christmas Raffle Wed 12th Dec
 Christmas Holidays - School Closes Friday 22nd December @ 12 noon
 School re-opens January 7th 2019 @ 9.15am.

Cathal ÓBric
 Principal

