St Joseph's National School

Boyerstown

Newsletter 8th November 2018

Congratulations to the Girls Gaelic Football Team who have qualified for the Cumann na mBunscol Na Mí Division 4 final to be held in Pairc Tailtean @ 9.30am on Saturday November 17^{th} . The girls delivered a very energetic performance against Coole N.S. in the semi-final winning on a scoreline of 9-3 to 3-4.

We wish the girls the best of luck in the final and encourage as many pupils and parents/guardians to come out and support the girls in the final against Oristown N.S. on Saturday November 17^{th} .

Girls on Football Team are as follows:

Sophia Reilly Clodagh Fitzsimons Mia Haber Shelby Lawless Sarah-Jane Barry Rebecca Reilly Alesha Reilly Amy Molloy Chloe White Hannah Carr Ciara Hughes Hannah McKeever Orlaith Reilly Aoibhinn Ratty Jessie Becton Rosa Garvey Cayla Becton Lucy Smyth Emma Fitzsimons Kate Kearney Emily O'Regan Sarah McHugh Caitlin Ratty Éabha Darcy Toyah Hennessey Sophie Smyth Veronica Rogers Áine Lynam

Best of luck to the 24 boys and girls, who will represent Boyerstown N.S. in the Meath Primary Schools Cross-Country running next Wednesday November 14^{th} in Bellewstown starting @ 11am. We have a range of pupils from 3^{rd} to 6^{th} class competing at both U-11 and U-13 level.

The Cross-Country Line-Ups November 2018 are as follows:

<u>U-13 Girls (6)</u>

<u>U-13 Boys (2)</u>

Cayla Becton
Sophie Smyth
Emily O'Regan
Sarah-Jane Barry
Kate Kearney
Éabha Darcy

Conor Finnegan

Ian McKeever

<u>U-11 Girls (8)</u>

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Orlaith Reilly Tom Brennan Sarah McHugh Aran Bray Clodagh Fitzsimons Diarmuid ÓBric Bella Garvey Evan Moyles Alisha Mills Michael Carr Andrew Treacy Rebecca Reilly Niamh Rattigan Diarmaid Keyes Mia Haber Alvin Barry

Best of luck also to the 5th & 6th class pupils taking part in the Meath Credit Union Schools Quiz in the Newgrange Hotel next Tuesday November 13th @ 7.30pm. The pupils involved are: Ian McKeever, Chloe White, Ruby O'Brien, Cayla Becton, Conor Finnegan, Kyle Smith, Libby Clynch and Áine Lynam.

Science Day in Boyerstown School for all pupils from Junior Infants to 6^{th} class takes place on Friday 16^{th} November. Many thanks to Bernie Doohan and the 6^{th} class pupils who will help set up the different fun learning activities in the school hall on the day.

Parent teacher meeting will be held on Monday and Tuesday November 26th & 27th in Boyerstown School for all classes. School for pupils from 1st to 6th class will finish © 2.45pm to facilitate parent meetings starting © 3pm on both Monday and Tuesday. A timetable for parents to meet the teachers will be distributed next week. If a parent/guardian cannot attend the allocated slot, please make contact with the class-teacher to re-arrange a time that suits. The teachers value this contact time with the parents to discuss the child's progress both academically and socially in Boyerstown School.

The Solstice Merry Christmas Concert for pupils from 4th to 6th classes will take place on Friday December 7th in the Solstice Theatre Navan @7.30pm. The pupils are already busily preparing with Miss O'Brien and Miss Sherlock and Majella Murray for what should prove to be a very Festive and enjoyable introduction to the Christmas Season and a great experience to perform in the Solstice for so many of our pupils.

The photographs that were taken of the pupils by the school photographer before Halloween break have been delivered to the school. There are many different options on offer this year, depending on what format of photographs parents/guardians wish to choose. When making an order, the <u>exact</u> money must be inserted in the accompanying envelope - no change given - and the format chosen clearly ticked. Any child who wishes to get a class photo and did not have individual photos taken can order a class photo for €15.00. The closing date for return of orders is Wednesday 21st November. This will ensure families will have their orders processed before the Christmas rush. Many thanks for your support with this.

Information was sent out to families earlier in the week regarding the Boyerstown Christmas Shoebox appeal. There are three age ranges that pupils/Families can prepare a box for.

Girl	Boy
2 - 4 years	2 - 4 years
5 - 8 years	5 - 8 years
9 - 12 years	9 - 12 years

These boxes are then delivered to orphaned, disadvantaged children on Christmas morning in Africa and Eastern Europe. We have supported this cause in Boyerstown for many years now and we thank you for your support again this year. The closing date for delivery of boxes to the school is Tuesday November 13th.

Many thanks to the Families in Boyerstown School who contributed so generously to the pyjama/jersey day in October in aid of the purchase of special costumes for Sam Wall who danced in Disneyland Paris at the October Midterm Break. The Wall family would like to express their sincere gratitude for the wonderful support and good wishes for Sam. It was a great experience for Sam to be involved in.

Dates for Your Diary

- Christmas Friday 21st December to Monday 7th January
- Confirmation Friday 8th February 2019
- Mid-term Thursday 21st February and Friday 22nd February
- Easter Monday 15th April to Friday 26th April
- First Holy Communion Saturday 11th May 2019

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