

Newsletter 18th November 2022



Dear Parents/Guardians,

New sensory rooms

It was very exciting here last week as five new sensory rooms were installed in our Lighthouse. We are so lucky to have these rooms and the children were delighted with them. The rooms will be used to support children's sensory needs across the school. The rooms are a great addition to the fantastic facilities already here in St Mary's Lighthouse (indoor swing room, outdoor playgrounds with playhouses, climbing wall, swing, slides etc), activity hall with trampoline and OT equipment and the ball pool! Here is a video showing you the rooms and the children's delight! Huge thanks to our Parent Association for all the fundraising activities which have gone towards the purchase of these rooms and to the entire parent body for supporting our efforts to fundraise also.



Click to view the video of our wonderful new rooms: <https://youtu.be/WYnAanaBncw>

Morning Drop Off Only cars dropping children to The Lighthouse and those with prior arrangements with the school should drive up to the front of the school at drop off and collection times. Parents of children from our mainstream classes should park in the church car park and walk across. **Access at this time is for school buses and parents of children in The Lighthouse only.**

Christmas Calendar

Our Christmas calendar is available for pre-sale via Alalddin. The cost of the calendar is €10 and they will be delivered to the school in December.

Christmas Carol Services

This year, 1st- 6th classes will be celebrating Christmas with two very special Carol Services in the church. The carol services will take place Thursday 15th December. 1st- 3rd Class will be performing at 12pm and 4th- 6th Class will be performing at 1:10pm. This will take place in the Church of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (beside the school). Children can come to school as normal on the day and will be brought to and from the church by their teachers. Parents are welcome to attend what should be a lovely, joyful afternoon of music.

School Musical

Preparations are well and truly underway for our first school musical and work has begun on our programme book for the musical. Children from 4th – 6th class are invited to enter our competition for the cover of the musical programme. Entries need to be on an A4 page and submitted to your child's class teacher by 25th November. The winning entry will be used on the front cover of the programme with runner up images used throughout the programme.

Lotto – Don't forget to sign up to our school Lotto, this week Samantha Byrne, **(Rebecca's mammy)** was our weekly winner! You can register to support the school for just €2.50 a week at <https://www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/saggartns/> .

Kind Regards
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Principal

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Deputy Principal