



St. Kilian's National School

Ní Neart Go Cur le Chéile

Imlitir 4 (Newsletter)

Mí na Nollag.

Nollaig faoi shéan agus athbhliain faoi mhaise daoibh go léir!

"O Come Let Us Adore Him".

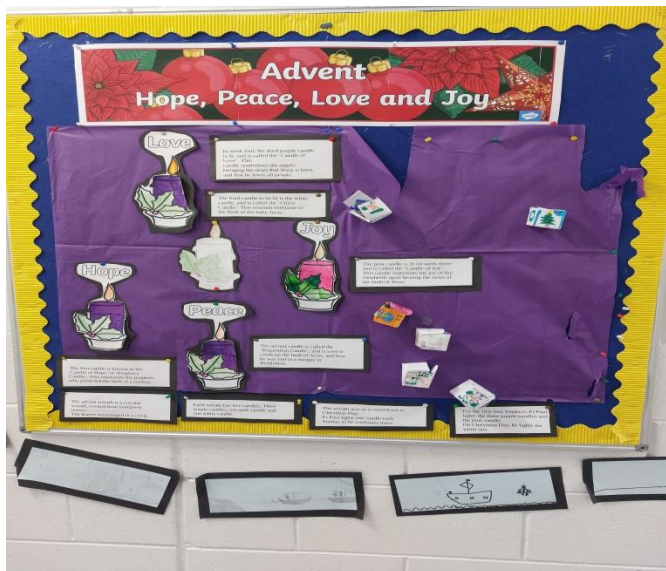


Thank you to all in our school community who joined us for our celebration of Christmas in St. Kilian's Church yesterday. 'O Come Let Us Adore Him' was a celebration of the true

meaning of Christmas. The children really enjoyed seeing you all there. I would like in particular to thank Ms. Traynor for all her hard work in co-ordinating our nativity.

Our school is proud of its ethos and the Christian values that we cherish and try to live by in our daily work. Christmas is a significant time in our school calendar and the message of love and hope that we hear in the Christmas story is one that we hold dear.

Christmas on the School Corridors!





Rang 1 agus 2.



1st and 2nd Class told the Christmas Story through carols today in the Halla Spóirt. Their teachers Ms. Maddison, Ms. Mc Govern and Ms. Smith were very proud of them all.

Our School Website. Parents and pupils are encouraged to check out our new website.
<http://www.stkiliansnsmullagh.ie>

Closures: We have an early **Christmas holiday closure tomorrow, Friday at 11.50am for Spraoi and Infant Classes and 12noon for all other classes.** The school will reopen on Monday 6th January. We are closed on Monday 13th January to facilitate staff training for the new Primary Maths Curriculum.

School Ethos

Christmas Celebration: Wed 18th Dec at 10.45 in St. Kilian's Church

Sacraments: Confirmation Fri 21st March at 6pm in St. Kilian's Church.

First Holy Communion in St. Kilian's Church, Mullagh on Saturday 24th May at 11.00am.

Dates for your diary.

Date	Event
18/12	Come Let Us Adore Him in St. Kilian's Church at 10.45. Parents welcome.
20/12	Mufti Day (Christmas Jumper) Closed at 12 noon for all.
6/01	School re-opens
10/01	The school will cease accepting applications for admission
13/01	School closure for staff training (Primary Maths Curriculum).
21/01	Infant Parent Teacher meetings this week.
27/01	Catholic Schools Week including Grandparents Day.
20/02	Mid-term break. School closed Thursday + Friday
27/02	School photographs with Memory Lane Photography.

Admissions 2025/26. Copies of our Annual Admissions Notice, Enrolment Form and Admissions Policy may be downloaded from the school's website <http://www.stkiliansnmullagh.ie> You may also ring or email the office to receive copies. Pupils in the school with siblings starting in Sept 2025 will be given enrolment packs.

Attendance: We are anxious that parents be aware of the absolute necessity for regular punctual attendance at school and that we all work together to improve this area. Parents of pupils with poor attendance will be invited to the school to discuss the matter. We will also be tracking those pupils who continually leave early especially on a Friday

Infant Parent Teacher Meetings: Meetings will take place during the week beginning Monday 20th January. Parents will be able to book their slots on Aladdin. Parents' Assoc.

Christmas Mufti: A Christmas Jumper Mufti Day will be held on Friday 20th December. Please support by sending in €2 per family. All proceeds in aid of school funds.

Obairbhaile. Can You Work on These at Home?

Gaeilge Neamh, Bainigí triail as sa bhaile. (Try these out at home)

Téama: Téama: Ag Siopadóireacht (Shopping)

Gabh mo léithscéal, an feidir leat cabhrú liom? (Help?)

An feidir liom cabhrú leat?

Is/Ní feidir

Ba mhaith liom— a cheannach. (I'd like to buy....)

Cén lá/mhí/seasúr atá ann? _____ (What day/month/season?).

Línte Gníomhaíochta Gach Lá. Pupils are exercising twice daily for one minute after breaks 'as Gaeilge'.

Active Lines Move With Us 'As Gaeilge.' Máirseáiligí (Power March) ar an spota.

Growth Mindset Messages: This week we worked on; **I embrace criticism.** How many of us like to be told we are wrong or can do better? Very few I'd imagine. We must therefore train our children to be receptive to criticism. Listen to it, learn and do better.

Infants At Large!

Oifig An Phoist



Our infant classes spent a lot of time learning about the post office. We learned about what happens in the Post Office, about stamps and address and post boxes. We took time to understand how parcels and letters are sent all over the world. We know that this time of year is particularly busy in the post office as Christmas time gets near and children are posting their letters to Santa. We learned our own addresses and also how to address an envelope and put a stamp on it. We also learned about our local Post Office in Monaghan's Shop and our local postmistress Mrs. Monaghan. All of this work finally ended up in a trip to our Post Office to post our letters we had written to Santa. We also got to buy a treat from Mrs. Monaghan. It was such a great day and we all really enjoyed ourselves.

Buddy Work, An tEanach We decided that it would be a nice idea to ask our buddies in Mr. McNiffe's 6th Class to help us with a tricky job in art. We had to give Santa a curly beard and thought a helping hand was needed. It was great to get to know our buddies better and to have a chat with people from other classes while learning a new skill from older children in our school.



Buddy Work, Lios Fhloinn

Our friends from 6th class have been helping us with our reading every day for the last few weeks. We really enjoyed working together and learning from each other. We got to read aloud each day and talk about our book. We even got to listen to the 6th class read too.



We have been very busy in Senior Infants in Ms. Smith and Ms. Power's class. Every morning we begin our day with our strengthening exercises. We are getting stronger each day. This is a great way to start our day!



St. Kilian's Cumann na mBunscol Division 1 Hurling Champions.



Our boys were presented with their medals at a school assembly last week.



St. Kilian's N.S. swimmers who competed in the Schools Swimming Championships in Cavan Swimming Pool recently.

MULLAGH GOAL MILE
Saturday, 21 December @ 6pm

St. Kilian's Heritage Centre

Edwin Carolan Community Park

Santa Dash
Walk/Run
Christmas Outfits
Tea & Coffee
All Welcome!

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GOAL MILE

Hurling News

U8/10/12/14/16;

We haven't forgotten our juveniles as they will have a presentation evening on **Friday 24th January 2025 also in the Bailie Hotel**. This will recognise the achievement of our U14s in securing a three in a row in Cavan while we will also acknowledge our U8 and U10s for all of their hard work in four venues this year, Bailieborough, Killinkere, Mullagh and Shercock as we keep an eye to the future. More info closer to the time.

All playing activity is now finished for 2024 and we thank all our players for all of their efforts this year and we look forward to 2025. Well done lads!

Winter health advice from the HSE

As winter is here, most children will end up picking up common viral infectious illnesses such as colds. You can find tips on dealing with these situations below and on how to reduce the risk of infection.

Vaccination

Making sure your child is up to date on all recommended vaccinations helps to:

- stop your child getting the infection they are vaccinated against, and
- make them less likely to be unwell if they do get an infection.

Kid's nasal flu vaccine

Children are twice as likely as adults to catch the flu. That's why all children aged 2 to 17 can get their free nasal spray flu vaccine. It is a safe and effective way to protect them and the rest of your family too. Go to [hse.ie/flu](https://www.hse.ie/flu) for information on how to get the children's flu vaccine.

Children who are immunocompromised are also able to get a COVID-19 autumn booster.

Routine childhood vaccinations

Routine childhood vaccinations protect against many significant viral and bacterial infections.

Contact your GP if your child missed out on any of the routine childhood vaccines which take place in 5 visits from age 2 months to 13 months.

Measles

Two doses of the measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine are needed for the best protection - the first is usually given at 12 months of age and the second when your child is at junior infants stage. Catch-up vaccines are available from participating GPs if your child is older than junior infants and has not received two doses of MMR vaccine.

