



DROM News



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Nollaig Shona Daoibh!



Take Note

I emailed Father Christmas
 At santaclaus.com
 With this year's Christmas list
 And everything I want
 Expensive and expansive
 I asked for such a lot
 Then Santa emailed back
 And this is what I got
 A print out of another list
 Of things that I should leave
 At the bottom of the chimney
 On this Christmas Eve ...

Snow proof leather Wellingtons
 Thermal underwear
 Gloves with fleecy lining
 A hat that's lined with fur
 A scarf that's extra long
 To wrap around a beard of white
 Goggles for the snowstorms
 Headlights for the stormy night
 Reindeer socks and woolly hats
 Carrots, milk and oats
 Sherry, pies and whisky
 To warm up winter throats
 Chocolate bars for energy
 Coffee, tea and cake
 Matchsticks to help tired eyes
 To try and stay awake
 It finished with a little note
 From Santa Claus himself

Wishing us the very best
 Happiness and health
 I read it once then once again –
 Seeing is believing –
 He said 'Remember ... Christmas is
 for giving, not receiving.'

Paul Cookson



As the year draws to a close, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you all most sincerely for your work & support over the course of the term, to commend the pupils on the huge effort they made in all things academic & beyond and to wish each and every one of you, a happy, holy & peaceful Christmas and every good wish for 2020.

UPCOMING EVENTS.

- **Tuesday, 7th Jan. 2020:** Return to school @ 9.20am
- **Wednesday, 8th Jan 2020:** NO SCHOOL: Staff Training.
- **Thursday, 16th Jan. 2020:** Vaccinations for Junior Infants
- **Monday, 20th Jan. 2020:** Confirmation retreat to Holycross Abbey



SWIMMING LESSONS

Swimming lessons will now take place in Templemore Garda College following successful completion of the application process. Therefore, from Wednesday, 15th January 2020, the children of 4th, 5th and 6th Class will go swimming each week for 6 weeks in Templemore Garda College followed by 1st, 2nd and 3rd Class for 6 weeks starting on Wednesday, 26th February 2020.

The Board of Management requests a contribution of €6.00 per student per week for each lesson or €36 for all six lessons. Inability to make a contribution will not preclude a pupil from participating fully in swimming classes.

TRACKSUIT: TERM 2

In Term 2, children will be required to wear their tracksuit on Wednesday for Swimming and PE classes and Friday for Hurling Training. The students should wear their school uniform on all other school days.

THANK YOU!

Thank you most sincerely for your support for our Christmas Hamper Draw and our Christmas Concert.

FOND FAREWELL

We wish a fond farewell to our cleaner Valerie Bergin who leaves us this Friday. We thank her for her hard work and dedication and wish her all the very best for the future. In January, we welcome Ms. Teresa Flanagan to our school community who will take up the post of cleaner in the school.



MANGAHIGH NINJA CHALLENGE

As part of Maths week, students in Drom National School took part in the Mangahigh Ninja Challenge. Every student earning 150+ medal points during the competition won a real Mangahigh medal. Six students from our school achieved this wonderful accolade. They were Róisín Mockler, Niamh Mockler, Sam O'Connor, Aphra O'Connor, Sophie Kiely and Tommy Bourke. Well done children!

AMAZING AUDREY!

This December saw many students from Drom National School get creative as they created Christmas decorations from recycled materials for the Tipperary County Council Children's Christmas Decoration Competition.

The aim of the competition was to encourage the Reduce, Reuse and Recycle of materials in schools and homes. The challenge was for children to make Christmas decorations out of recycled materials such as eggshells, cardboard, newspapers, glass bottles, tin cans, milk and juice cartons.

Five winning decorations were chosen from across the county. Included in these five winning designs was the amazing creation of Audrey Bourke of Third Class.

Audrey created her decoration from used coffee pods.

For her efforts, Audrey attended the Civic Offices in Thurles where she received a €50 gift token and some other wonderful gifts.

We are so proud of Audrey and all those who took part in this competition. It is wonderful to see Reduce, Reuse, Recycle message in action.

Check out some tips for looking after our environment at Christmas on:

<https://www.topline.ie/blog/project-ideas/top-10-christmas-recycling-tips>



