## St. Conaire's Newsletter

## December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015 www.conaires.ie

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

**Christmas Holidays:** St. Conaire's will close at **12 noon** on Tuesday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> 2015. The school re-opens on Wednesday, January 6<sup>th</sup> 2016

**Plays/Carol services**: Well done and congratulations to the pupils and teachers from Juniors to 2<sup>nd</sup> classes for the lovely plays that took place this year. Also, congratulations to the 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> classes who held a lovely nativity service in the church on Friday. Thank you to all the teachers, SNAs and other staff who helped prepare the children so well.

**Photographs on website:** Go to www.conaires.ie to see event pictures.

**Mercy in the Mall Choir:** Go to You Tube and search for "Mercy on the Mall" to hear our school choir in action on December 8<sup>th</sup> last.

**Staff:** We wish Ms. McDonagh and Ms. Malone well as they go on maternity leave in January. They will be replaced by Ms. Catherine McInerney and Ms. Maeve Gough.

**Teachers from the US:** Twelve teachers and lecturers from Maryland, USA, will be undertaking a study visit in St. Conaire's in January 2016. They will be working with all classes in the area of Literacy.

**September 2016 Junior Infant Enrolments:** Applications are now being taken for new Junior Infants <u>only</u> who are due to start school in September 2016. Forms may be obtained from the school office.

**Board of Management:** The Board of Management met on December 15<sup>th</sup> to plan for the coming year. The Board wishes to thank everyone for their support and co-operation over the past 12 months.

**No Uniform Day:** Tomorrow, December 22<sup>nd</sup>, will be a no-uniform day and we will be closing at 12 noon for all pupils.

**Prize Winners:** There were 20 individual prize winners in the Junior to  $2^{nd}$  class raffles at the Christmas plays. The hampers were won by Teigan Mullins Shinners (Juniors) and Caitlin Sherlock  $(3^{rd})$ . Thank you to everyone for your generous support and the funds raised will go to purchase new equipment for Maths and IT for the classes.

**Christmas wishes:** Best wishes to all parents, pupils and staff of St. Conaire's for a very happy Christmas and a lovely new year in 2016. We wish to thank you for your help and co-operation throughout the past year.

Yours sincerely *Peter Walsh* Principal Teacher

**Reminder about Swimming Classes:** Swimming classes for pupils in senior classes will begin in the new school term in 2016. The cost will be  $\in 3$  per lesson. Your child's class teacher will inform you of the day allocated for his/her class. Mr. Glynn's  $3^{rd}$  class will be going swimming on Thursday, January  $7^{th}$ .