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Dear Parents, 1st December 2022

### Christmas Raffle 2022

Our annual "Christmas Raffle" is always a very enjoyable and exciting occasion for all our pupils and due to its great success in recent years, this year's raffle will take the same format:-

The prizes will consist of <u>nine</u> Children's "Themed" Christmas Hampers, Mrs Duffy's, Mrs Kelly's and Mrs Mc Court class will raffle three of these Christmas Hampers:

THE "CUDDLY-COSY" CHRISTMAS HAMPER

The "Movie-Night" Christmas Hamper

#### The "Fun and Games" Christmas Hamper

On Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November one Raffle sheet was sent home to each family, the Draw for the Christmas Hampers is scheduled to take place in each classroom on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December. We would appreciate if the raffle sheets are returned by <u>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December</u>.

We very much appreciate your support and generosity towards our annual Christmas Raffle, the money raised enables us to buy school resources for our pupils.

Our Christmas Raffle 2021 raised an outstanding amount of £1124.00 and enabled us to purchase new Outside Play Equipment Resources for all our pupils in the Foundation Class, KS1 and KS2 classes. These new resources are extremely

beneficial to our pupils and they also ensure their learning continues to be stimulating and enjoyable.

Members of the "Friends of St. Teresa's" Committee are helping to prepare the Christmas Hampers, I would like to thank all members of our parent support group for their continued hard-work, commitment and generosity to the school in assisting us to organize this very successful and enjoyable fundraising Event.

## Flu Vaccination for pupils

The School Nurse's Team will visit the school on  $\underline{\text{Monday }5^{\text{th}}\text{ December}}$  to administer flu vaccinations to all those pupils with parental consent.

## St. Teresa's, Tullyherron Open Day

St. Teresa's will host its first Open Day in three years on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December from 1.30pm to 3pm. We are very excited to once again welcome all new Reception/Primary children along with their families, to view their potential new school.

In order to facilitate this event all pupils will finish school at <u>12.30pm</u>.

School Dinners will be served and the school bus will be available at 12.30pm.

## <u>Christmas Pantomine "Cinderella"</u>

As part of our Christmas Festivities all pupils from Primary 1 to Primary 7 are invited to go to the Christmas Pantomime "Cinderella"- in the Armagh Theatre and then to the "Mulberry Restaurant" Armagh for their Dinner. This will be a wonderful and very enjoyable experience for our pupils to see real actors in action!

We will be leaving school at 9.15am as the performance begins at 10am, it is over at 11.30am. We will then go onto the Mulberry Restaurant for dinner where the children

will get a hot meal with a drink and dessert. We will return to school by approximately 1.30pm.

In order to reduce the cost of this event, the school are paying for the cost of Transport. The cost for this trip is the following:

One Child is £17.00

Two Children is £32.00

Three Children is £45.00

We would appreciate if this is paid by Friday 9th December 2022.

### Christmas Performance

We are extremely delighted that our Christmas Performance is taking place this year! Our Christmas Performance "The Hoity Toity Angel" will take place in St.Teresa's Church, Tullyherron on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 1.30pm.

All pupils from Primary 1 to Primary 7 will be involved recreating and celebrating a version of the Christmas Story. All pupils will finish school after the performance and may leave the Church with their parents. There will be no school bus on this day.

All family, friends and members of the local community are very welcome to attend this very special event. The song words and music have been uploaded to Seesaw for all pupils to practice and prepare for this very special event.

#### Christmas Dinner

The School Christmas Dinner will be on Thursday  $15^{th}$  December, we invite all our pupils to wear a Christmas Jumper on this special day. The cost of the dinner will be £2.60 and should be paid by Wednesday  $14^{th}$  December.

### Christmas Celebrations

On Monday the 20<sup>th</sup> December each class will celebrate the Christmas Season with fun and enjoyable Festive activities, such as, art & craft activities, games and a Christmas

Party. All pupils may wear their own clothes and bring one toy into school, with their parents' permission.

# Christmas Holidays

The Christmas Holidays begin on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December @ 10.30 am - Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January. (Inclusive) School re-opens on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of all the staff, to wish you all a very safe, happy and peaceful Christmas.

Yours Faithfully,

Sinéad Mc Court