



# CHRISTMAS NEWSLETTER

## Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Guardians,

On behalf of all the staff at St Vincent de Paul Girls' School we wish each and every one of you a happy, peaceful, safe and healthy Christmas and New Year.

*Alison Clinton*



## Ethos

A special thank you to Fr. Tom Noone, Anne Dooley and the Parish of St Vincent de Paul and best wishes to all for a happy and peaceful Christmas.

## Christmas Shoebox Appeal

We collected an astounding 187 shoeboxes for Team Hope this year. A big thank you to all the girls, parents and Parents' Association volunteers involved and Ms. O'Hanlon.



Santa came

to visit



## Gaeilge

### Seó Faisin i Rang a Dó

Bhíomar ag foghlaim faoi éadaí i rang a dó. Bhí seó faisin as Gaeilge againn ag deireadh an topaic a dhéanamh.



## Science Week

Science week this year was a 'blast', with an array of experiments, science competitions and quizzes. 6<sup>th</sup> Class created science experiments for the other classes with posters about the science behind the experiments. Demonstrations were held at our science fair, examples of some experiments: 5-minute ice cream, slime, magic red cabbage potion, a chemical volcano, unbreakable egg, elephant toothpaste and static energy balloons



## Christmas Fun



Our school was transformed into a magical Christmas wonderland at the start of December! Since then the girls have enjoyed lots of festive fun, songs, nativity plays, dramas and poems!

A special word of thanks to all the teachers, SNAs and staff for their continued dedication and commitment to the whole school community throughout the term. Thanks also to our wonderful Parents' Association for all the initiatives and always being on hand to provide refreshments for special occasions, which make our school events all the more special. Santa even managed to take time out of his busy schedule to visit the girls in SVdP – thanks Santa!

Not only has our school been transformed into a Christmas, magical wonderland with festive art adorning the corridors and classrooms, but our school rang out much Christmas Cheer with a medley of festive tunes for parents and the Infant School on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Class performed an exceptional Nativity play for both schools, Infants and Girls on Monday 19<sup>th</sup>. Thanks also to R21, who performed some lovely

## Reminder to the girls!

Be kind to everyone this Christmas ☺

Help around the house and give your parents a well-deserved break! ☺

## Parents' Association News

The Calendar Fundraiser has been a great success. Thank you to all the sponsors and to Richard Gavin photography. A massive thank you to the families from both the girls' school and infant school, who, through the St Vincent de Paul Giving Tree raised €1,280 for the St Mobhi conference of St Vincent de Paul.

The online Helix Panto brought much fun, laughter and enjoyment to all the girls last week – thanks to the PA ☺



## 6<sup>th</sup> Class Nativity

Well done to 6<sup>th</sup> class on their wonderful performance of 'The Magical Christmas Jigsaw'. The girls performed for both the Infant school and Girls' School. Great enjoyment had by all!



## Upcoming Events

School will reopen on January 5<sup>th</sup> at normal time: 8:50am – 9am for all students



*Happy Christmas and Best Wishes for 2023 from all the staff at St Vincent de Paul Girls' School*