



St Oliver Plunkett's NS Newsletter



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December 2023

Dear parents and children,
What a busy month!

The pupils have been very involved in many different activities including performances in the Christmas Plays.

Thank you to the Parents' Committee for all their hard work in preparing for and organising a wonderful Christmas Fair on the 3rd of December. It was a wonderful family occasion.

Thank you to Mrs Callaghan and her choir who entertained us beautifully.



Our School Building - beginning to look like a building!



Read on to see what has been taking place in school:

Well-Being - Food Dudes

Thank you to Ms O Mahony for organising a week of food tasting with the Food Dudes Programme. A great way to ensure we are all eating our 5 or even 7 a day. Her class were great leaders with this.

Mr Callaghan's class took part in a "Fighting Words", creative writing workshop.

Budding Diversity

The pupils in Ms O Mahony's learned about the wildlife in our area and how we can help them!



GOAL - Jersey Day

Ms McCabe organised our jersey day in aid of GOAL. Thank you for your generosity with this. We raised €336 and as we know this money is much needed at the moment.

Beauty and the Beast -1st class to 4th class went to Balbriggan's finest venue The Lark, all agreed it was a spectacular show. One of our past pupils, Amanda Dolan was one of the cast. Congratulations to her.

STEPS Young Engineer competition, 4th class have been very busy exploring the world of engineering by developing an engineering project that would help improve our locality. The children worked hard in groups and created prototypes. On Friday 1st December, they had a very exciting visit from a local engineer working in Premium Power in Balbriggan.



Christmas Decorations - The pupils took part in designing and making/ upcycling a Christmas Decoration. There were many great designs.



Mr Fahey's and Ms O Mahony's Class visited Butler's Chocolate Factory where they learned how to make Santas !



They followed this by a visit to Croke Park.



Ms Andrews' class took part in a webinar with artist Nadia Corridan then used what they had learned to create a Winter Wonderland.



Christmas Plays 2023-Absolutely fabulous!

A big thank you to the teachers for putting on the Christmas Plays, they were fabulous. We have many budding actors and actresses!







We had our school carol service, Mr Fahey's 6th class led this occasion. Thank you.

Mrs Callaghan's choir was spectacular.



Keep safe everyone and enjoy the run into Christmas, we will all be ready for the break when it comes!

School closes on Friday 22nd at 12 for infants and their siblings. All others will leave at 12.30. Children can wear their own clothes and bring one treat.

Have a lovely Christmas. The staff of Balrothery NS wish you the very best for 2024.

School reopens on Monday the 8th of January.

School is closed on the 15th of January for staff training in the New Primary Maths Curriculum.

Mrs Murphy