

## Family Note No. 13 (19<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2012)

**Dear Parents,**

*Athbhliain faoi shéan is faoi mhaise díbh go léir. Happy New Year.*

Please note the following:

- 1. Diarmuid Murphy, R.I.P.:** On Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> Jan., beloved father of Aisling (Pupil in Ms. Lehane's First Class), Emmet and Daniel, and husband of Deborah. Diarmuid played bass guitar with us for the Carol Concert in Dec. 2010, and also played for two of our school musicals ('Superstar-Man from Galilee', 1992; and 'Joseph/Any Dream Will Do', 2010). Funeral Mass on Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> Jan., at 12 noon in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Blarney. Our thoughts and prayers are especially with Aisling and her family at this time of grief and loss. *Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam dílis.*
- 2. Christmas Carol Concerts:** Well done to all concerned for the memorable Carol Concerts on the 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> Dec., especially to the pupils who sang, spoke and played their musical instruments in praise of the coming of the Good Lord, Jesus Christ. Staff members were very proud of the musical products of their endeavours in the lead up to Christmas.
- 3. Board of Management Accounts:** Please note that in accordance with the requirements of the *Education Act (1998)* the Treasurer of the Board of Management has arranged for the certification of the School Accounts 'in accordance with best accounting practice'. The Certified Accounts are available for perusal by any parent by request through the Secretary's Office.
- 4. Events and Dates: Jan.-June 2012: Updated (but subject to change as the year progresses!).**

*Mid-Term Break: 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> Feb. (inclusive)*

*First Penance Ceremony: Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> March 2011 @ 7.30 p.m.*

*Seachtain na Gaeilge: 20ú-23ú lá de Mhí na Márta*

*Confirmation Ceremony: Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> March @ 10.30 a.m. in Church of Christ Our Light.*

*Confirmation Photographs: Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> March @ 9.00 a.m.*

*Easter Holidays: Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> March: Pupils home at 12 noon.*

*First Holy Communion Ceremony: Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> May @ 11.00 a.m. in Church of Christ Our Light.*

*First Holy Communion Photographs: Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> May @ 9.30 a.m.*

*Manchester Tour Information Meeting for Parents: Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> May @ 7.30 p.m.*

*Manchester Tour: Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup>- Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> May.*

*Information Meeting for Parents of 'new' Junior Infants: Thursday, 31<sup>st</sup> May @ 7.30 p.m.*

*'Books Sales Day': Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> June.*

*'School Sports' Day: Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> June.*

*School Musical: 15<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> June: Final Dress Rehearsals: Friday & Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> & 16 June; Performances: Sunday to Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> -22<sup>nd</sup> June (to be agreed and finalised).*

*Visit of 'new' Junior Infants: Tues., Wed., & Thurs., 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> June: 1.00-2.00 p.m. ('Current' Junior Infants finish at 12.00 noon on those days to accommodate visits).*

*End-of-Year Sixth Class Mass: Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> June @ 11.30 a.m.*

*Summer Holidays: Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> June: Pupils home at 12 noon.*

**Donal O' Sullivan, Principal.**