Claddaghduff N.S Christmas Newsletter



Message from the Principal

As we come to the end of another busy and rewarding year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our whole school community for the incredible work and support shown throughout the year.

Our pupils have much to be proud of. Their enthusiasm, kindness, creativity and commitment to learning have been evident every day, and they continue to be a credit to themselves, their families and the school.

I would also like to sincerely thank our staff for their dedication, professionalism and care. Their hard work and commitment ensures that our school remains a positive learning place for all.

I am very grateful for the ongoing support of our parents. Your encouragement, involvement and partnership with the school play a vital role in the success and wellbeing of our pupils. It is greatly appreciated.

As we look ahead to 2026, we do so with optimism and excitement, building on the many achievements of the past year.

I wish everyone in our school community a peaceful and joyful Christmas, and a happy, healthy and successful New Year.

Warmest Christmas wishes to you all.

Ms. Griffin

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Connemara National Park Visit

In November, we were delighted to welcome Madeline from The Connemara National Park. Madeline gave an engaging talk about the our native animals.



Science Program

The senior room is working on The Whalen Foundation Science program. Declan Holmes keeps the children highly engaged, curious and motivated during his science lessons.



Rugby Blitz

In November, 3rd-6th class participated in a rugby blitz in Clifden. This was organised by Ethan Griffiths from Connacht Rugby. They showed great teamwork during the blitz!





SVP Christmas Jumper Day

On Wed 17th Dec, we did a Christmas Jumper Day for SVP. We raised: €260 and this has been donated along with a donated hamper. Thanks to you all for supporting this worthy local charity.





Christmas Shoebox appeal

We took part in the annual Christmas Team Hope shoe box appeal again this year. Claddaghduff N.S proudly gathered 40 shoeboxes. Your kindness and generosity will bring joy to many and will make some children's Christmas very special.



Dates for your diary:

Re-opening: Monday 5th January 2026

Swimming Lessons: 1st-6th Class: 14th Jan for 6 Weeks,

€50 per child

February: Closed 2nd, bank holiday **February:** Mid-Term 19th & 20th

March: Closed 17th

Easter: Closed 30th March—10th April

1st Holy Communion: Saturday, 18th April 2025, at 12am

May: Closed 4th, bank holiday June: Closed 1st, bank holiday

June: 6th Class Graduation, Tue, 9th June 2026 at 11.30am **Other:** Teacher training closures: 23rd Feb & 15th May

Birthday Baking

Martina & Ms. Griffin did some birthday baking this week for November, December & January birthdays. They had fun in the kitchen and the cakes were shared throughout the school.



Credit Union Art Competition Winners

Well done to all who entered the Connemara Credit Union Art Competition in October & congratulations to the prize winners in the pictures below. The theme was '*The Future is*'. Everyone did fantastic work. Best of luck to Joey & Robert who have gotten through to the next stage of the competition.











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