



On Thursday 22nd December we will have a visit from **Santa** in the Hall for all classes and pupils can wear a **red** or **green** tee shirt or sweat shirt with their tracksuit bottoms. Pupils can also wear **Santa hats**. We will also have a raffle organised by the Parents Association. Tickets for the raffle will be on sale each morning in the school from Monday 12th December.



We are collecting non- perishable goods to make hampers for St. Vincent de Paul. This is something we do in Scoil Mhuire each Christmas to help those in need in our community. We always have a very generous response to this appeal. From **Monday 5th December to Friday 9th December** pupils can bring in items for the hampers and they will be collected from the classrooms each morning. We thank you for your generosity in this venture as it helps the pupils to learn the real meaning of Christmas.



Christmas cards created by your child will be in the school next week. The cards look fantastic and it is a wonderful way of valuing your child's creative talent. The calendars with a picture of your child's class will also be available next week.

Order forms for the **Christmas annuals** have gone home. The last day for ordering is Friday 9th December.



Can I ask parents again this year not to give Christmas presents to teachers and staff but instead you might like to make an anonymous contribution to the school which will go to buy much needed resources for your children to use in school. A box for donations will be left in the entrance hall of the school from Monday 19th December. We thank you sincerely for this and your child's smile is enough of a present.

Some dates for your diary in the New Year:

First Confession on Monday 27th March in the Church at 1.30pm.

First Communion on Saturday 6th May at 11.00am in the church.

Ceremony of Light for 6th class on Thursday 27th April at 1.30pm in the church.

Confirmation on Tuesday 30th May at 11.00am in the church.

School will close on Thursday 22nd December at 12 o'clock for the Christmas holidays and will reopen on Monday 9th January 2017.



**Beannachtaí na Nollag
 agus Athbhliain faoi shéan 's faoi shonas**

Ms Burke-Heneghan and the Staff of Scoil Mhuire

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To celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception 2nd to 6th class will attend the 1.00pm Mass on **8th December** with the pupils from St. Josephs, Scoil Íde and Scoil Áine. This is a lovely Mass for the four schools of the parish.



On **Tuesday 20th December** the Junior Infant classes will perform a **Christmas play for their parents in the Hall at 1.10 pm**. The tickets for this will be €3 and will be available from Friday 9th December. We would ask parents to be seated by 1.00pm.



On **Wednesday 21st December** we will have a **whole school Carol Service** when all classes will sing Carols and join in the story of Christmas. Pupils can wear a **red** or **green** tee shirt or sweat shirt with their tracksuit bottoms. Pupils can also wear **Santa Hats**. All classes will be busy learning carols over the next few weeks.