

# Cornamaddy Newsletter

## Dates for your Diary

### **Christmas Holidays:**

School closes at 12noon,  
Tue 22<sup>nd</sup> December

### **Re-opening:**

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2016

### **Mid-Term Break:**

Thur 18<sup>th</sup> to Fri 19<sup>th</sup> February  
(2 days )

**Confirmation:** Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> April

**Communion:** Sat 7<sup>th</sup> May

## Board of Management

A new Board of Management has been formed, which will run for the next four years.

The members are as follows:

### **Patron's Representatives:**

Mr Stan Fallon, Chairman  
Fr Turlough Baxter

### **School Representatives:**

Mr Aidan Barry (Principal)  
Mr Doron Harte (Staff Rep)

### **Parents' Representatives:**

Mr Joe Connaughton,  
Ms Karen McMorrow

### **Community Representatives:**

Dr Cepta Brougham,  
Mrs Pat Fox

## Infants visit to Glendeer Farm

Pupils from our infant classes went to see Santa in Glendeer Pet Farm on Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> December. It was a very enjoyable visit and they were lucky enough to get a fine day!



Conor Visiting Santa in Glendeer

## Children's Christmas Performances

On Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December, pupils from all classes performed in shows for their parents. The younger classes were happy to show off the dance moves they have learned with Ms Trisha McDermott this term, while the older classes got in the mood for Christmas with festive songs, and of course the tin-whistle and trumpet music they have practised under the guidance of Mrs Tina Rafferty and Gerry Lacey. Well done to everyone!

### **The Lion King at Our lady's Bower**

Our Lady's Bower school treated our Sixth Class girls to a viewing of the Lion King musical performed by Transition years on 16<sup>th</sup> December.

### **Custume Barracks**

Fifth and Sixth Classes had a very interesting and educational day out in Custume Barracks on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November. They finished the day with a walking tour of historical sights in Athlone.

### **Santa's Visit**

We had great excitement in Cornamaddy N.S. today, when sirens sounded and Santa arrived on a fire-engine. He called to see all the children in their classrooms and brought a selection box for everyone!



### **Shoe Box Appeal**

Mrs Sheridan's class prepared these beautiful gift-boxes for less fortunate children through the shoe-box appeal. This was a very generous gesture and a big "Thank You" is due to parents who provided goods to fill the boxes.

A **Cake Sale** was held in the GP Hall on Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December. A total of €477.50 was raised. A big "Thank you" to all who contributed to this event.

**Coppers for Cornamaddy** raised €668 for our school. Thank you to everyone who brought in their coins for this fundraiser. It was very exciting to see the bottle fill with coins in every classroom!

### **Christmas Cards**

Once again, the pupils of Cornamaddy designed their own Christmas Cards. Thank you to all who bought cards, gift tags etc.

### **Homework Club**

If any parents are interested in homework classes for their children, Francoise Gately and Magali Chapel have places available for January 2016



First Class Shoe Box Appeal: Look at the gifts we prepared to give to children around the world