

# Scoil Cholmcille, Mount Hanover

## December 2021

### Newsletter



**Christmas Wishes:** At this time of year we say a special thank you to all ancillary school staff who work so hard throughout the year to make sure the school runs efficiently and keep the school looking so well. This has been especially important this school year with the extra challenges that the ongoing Covid-19 situation has brought. We thank our school secretary Jennifer in the office, our cleaners, who keep the school so clean, and John our school caretaker.

***We wish them all a very Happy Christmas.***

#### **Christmas Holidays:**

Scoil Cholmcille, Mount Hanover School will close on **Wednesday December 22<sup>nd</sup>** from 11.40 am.

School will re-open in New Year on **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January from 8.50 am.**

#### **Christmas Closure**

**Staggered Collection:** On **Wednesday December 22<sup>nd</sup>**, we have a half day. The collection arrangements are as follows:

- **Pat's Bus:** 11.40 am
- **Infants & siblings:** 11.50 am
- **1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> & siblings:** 11.55 am
- **3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> siblings:** 12.00 pm.

#### **Christmas Cheer Week:**

Last week we had our "Christmas Cheer Week". During the week the children participated in various Christmas Activities. There was an art competition, a Christmas card making day and a Christmas Quiz. On Friday, we had a very special treat of hot chocolate and a Christmas Movie. This was a well deserved treat for all the children following their hard work this school term.

**Assembly:** Congratulations to our certificate winners for this month. The winners were as follows:

**Pupil of the Month:** Devyn Butler, Zack Flaherty, Isla Freyne, Evelyn Cassely, Amelia O'Brien, Dara Deasy, Tom Kelly, Harry Flood, Mia Cassely, Michael Power, Noah Devine, Blaithín Byrne, Alex Kelly, May Darcy, Lucy Collins & Callum Taaffe.

**Handwriting Awards:** Jack McGuinness, Ellie Weldon, Caoimhe Butler, Kayleigh Stacey, Zara Lewis, Casper Cudden, Annie Power & Cárra Dalton.

**Gaeilgeoir Na Míosa:** Louis Mullen, Lucy McArdle, Daniel McGuinness, Amber Devine, Leigh Doyle, Isabella McArdle, James Collins & Ruby-Leigh King.

**A reminder of the 2021/2022 School Calendar:**

**February Mid –Term:** Closed Thursday & Friday February 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> 2022.

**St.Patrick's Day:** Closed Thursday & Friday 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> March 2022.

**Easter Break 2022:** Closing Friday April 8<sup>th</sup> 2022. Re-opening on Monday April 25<sup>th</sup> 2022.

**May Bank Holiday:** Closed Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2022.

**June Bank Holiday:** Closed Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

**Summer Holidays 2022:** Closing on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

A copy of the calendar may be downloaded here:

<https://mounthanoverns.ie/school-updates/school-calendar/>

**Sacrament Classes:** Please note the following dates:

**First Holy Communion Class:**

First Holy Communion: **Saturday May 21<sup>st</sup> 2022** at 12 noon in Duleek Church with Cushinstown NS.

**Confirmation:**

The Confirmation Ceremony will take place on **Thursday February 17<sup>th</sup> 2022** in Duleek Church. Time is yet to be confirmed.

**School Decorations:**

Our school is looking very festive this year! Thank you to Ms McGinty and her wonderful artists, Lucy, Megan and Aran, for the window painting.

**Christmas Raffle:**

Many thanks for your support of our recent Christmas raffle. We had 29 prizes in total. The winner of the Nintendo Switch was Nicole Dowd. Congratulations to all the prize winners.

**School Books:**

We are sending school books home over Christmas purely as a precautionary measure.

**Christmas Wishes:**

On behalf of the BOM and all our school staff I would like to wish everyone in our school community a very Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year. 2021 has been a difficult year for many people but I would like to thank everyone for their support and cooperation during the year. In particular I would like to say well done to our pupils and our school staff who have worked very hard throughout the year. I would also like to thank our parents who have supported the school every step of the way. Enjoy the Christmas Holidays.

*Nollag Shona agus athbhliain faoi mhaise daoibh go léir.*