## Scoil Dairbhre

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## **NOVEMBER 2014 NEWSLETTER**

Dear Parents & Guardians,

**Parent Teacher Meetings**: Scoil Dairbhre Parent teacher meetings for 2014-2015 will take place on Thursday December 4<sup>th</sup> 2014 and not in January as stated on your school calendar. All children will go home at 12.30 on that day. Times of appointments will issue shortly.

**Credit Union Art Competition**: Congratulations to all children who took part in this Art Competition. Well done to our winners T.J. McDonnell, Paige Kevitt Lam and Lucy McCabe.

**G.A.A.** Quiz: Well done to our team who took part in the GAA Quiz in Bellurgan. Thanks to Ms. Woods and Parents for transport.

**Halloween Party**: Well done to Parents Association for a wonderful night on 24<sup>th</sup> October. Thanks to all who donated treats who helped decorate the centre and who served tea on the night. A donation has been sent to Temple Street Children's hospital on our behalf. Thanks to Pamela Bennett for sourcing the hamper for the raffle.

**Sponsored Silence**: Our sponsored silence raised € 1165, we congratulate all children for making a big effort. Thanks to all sponsors also.

**Christmas Cards**: The children designed a Christmas card which has just gone to the printers and will be on sale shortly.

Tennis Coaching has finished for this term. We thank Gary Rodriguez and we look forward to another session at the end of the school year.

Dates to remember: First Penance: Thursday March 12<sup>th</sup> 2015

First Communion: Saturday May 16<sup>th</sup> 2015

Confirmation: Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2015

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**Peace Proms**: We continue our involvement with the Cross Border Orchestra. This year 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> class children will take part. The main concert will take place in the RDS on Sunday February 1<sup>st</sup> at 2.00 p.m. Workshops will take place in January. Tickets for concert will be available on www.cboi.ie

**Parents Christmas Night** will take place on Saturday December 6<sup>th</sup> in Cluskey's Pub. Refreshments, Raffle and Music will be provided so come along and enjoy.

**Library**: Our school library is currently under going a revamp. Many thanks to Leesha Loughran, Fiona McCabe, Ronan Linden and Stephen McMcArdle for their hard work. We look forward to seeing the end result shortly.

Alarm System: The Dept. of Education has turned down our appeal for funding for an Alarm System in Scoil Dairbhre. The Board of Management are currently examining quotes received for the installation of a security system as advised by the Gardaí after our last break in. The security door at the main entrance is fully operational. The door will be locked each morning at 9.25. If you need to gain access after this time please press the buzzer and await attention. We endeavour at all times to answer the buzzer as quickly as possible. Your patience is appreciated.

**Board of Management**: A meeting will take place in Scoil Dairbhre on Wednesday December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7.30 p.m. to elect a new board member (A mother to replace Caroline McCaul who no longer has a child in the school).

**Alive O Programme**: We had our annual visit from Sr. Elizabeth on October 1<sup>st</sup> and the children were so good she insisted they have no homework on that day.

Many thanks to all for your continued help and co-operation.

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Teaching Principal.