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St. Anne's School End of a fun-filled and busy

December Newsletter 🎄

Dear Families,

As we enter the festive season, we are thrilled to share all the exciting activities and events happening this month at St. Anne's Special School. December is packed with opportunities for learning, creativity, and celebration!

🎨 Festive Fun Activities

Throughout December, students will engage in a variety of festive-themed activities that provide valuable learning opportunities:

- **Art and Crafts:** ✂ Creating holiday decorations and cards, developing fine motor skills and creativity.
 - **Sensory Exploration:** 🎵 Festive sensory stations with Christmas-themed textures, sounds, and scents.
 - **Storytime and Literacy:** 📖 Listening to holiday stories and exploring new vocabulary.
 - **Numeracy Activities:** 🧮 Incorporating counting and sorting with Christmas-themed objects.
 - **Baking and Cooking:** 🍪 Making simple festive treats, supporting life skills, sequencing, and teamwork.
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Christmas Performance

A reminder that our **Christmas Performance** is on **Wednesday, 13th December at 1:30 PM in the Gym**. This special event is a celebration of the season, and students across all classes have been actively involved in preparing for the show. This special event reflects the true meaning of Christmas and celebrates the traditional story of the Nativity. Students from all classes have been working hard to bring this beautiful story to life. This performance offers our students a range of meaningful learning opportunities, including:

- **Music:** 🎵 Developing rhythm, vocal skills, and confidence through singing festive songs and playing instruments.
- **Religious Education:** 🙏 Understanding the story of the birth of Jesus and its significance in the Christmas tradition.
- **Drama:** 🎭 Enhancing communication and expression as students bring characters and stories to life on stage.
- **Teamwork and Collaboration:** 🤝 Building social skills as students work together with their peers and teachers to create a shared experience.
- **Confidence Building:** ☀️ Encouraging self-expression and celebrating individual abilities in a supportive and joyful environment.
- **AAC and Communication:** 💬 Providing our students with opportunities to use their communication devices or Lámh signs to actively participate in the performance.

Santa's Visit

On **Thursday, 19th December**, we will welcome a very special visitor—**Santa**



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Claus! Each student will have the chance to meet Santa, and we will capture these magical moments to share with families. This year, we are especially grateful to **Paul Fogarty and First Ireland Spirits**, whose generous donations have made them Santa's little helpers, ensuring every child receives a special gift to celebrate the season.



End of Term Schedule

A reminder that the school will close for the Christmas holidays with a **half-day on Friday, 20th December**. Students will finish at **12:00 PM**.



Home-School Communication Books

We want to remind families of the importance of regularly updating the **Home-School Communication Books**. These books are vital tools for our staff to support your child's learning and well-being. Sharing key updates, such as recent progress, routines, or changes at home, allows us to provide the best care and support possible.

We wish you all a joyful and peaceful holiday season and look forward to seeing everyone in the New Year! **School opens for all on Monday 06th January!**

Kind regards

The Team at St. Anne's School