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St Mary's & St Gerard's Weekly Newsletter 28th November 2024

TIS THE SEASON TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

This Christmas we have decided to raise money for LauraLynn, Ireland's children's hospice for sick children.

Tis the season for your child to make a difference by paying 2 euro to wear a Christmas jumper (or a red/green jumper) to school

On Friday December 6th 2024.

THANK YOU

***By A. M. and D. McG
Student Council representatives***

Dates for your diary:

General election -School Closed: Friday 29th November.

The Follow the Star Festival is happening this Saturday at 3.30 pm

Vaccinations : Tuesday 3rd December in-school

Christmas Jumper Day: Friday 6th December

Senior Christmas Concert: Thursday 12th December

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Junior Christmas Concert

Well done to our Junior Infant to Second Classes who performed so well in our Junior Christmas Concert today. Thank you to our teachers and SNAs for the work in supporting our pupils performances. We were so proud of the effort and enthusiasm that we saw up on the stage. It was lovely to see our former P.A., who managed to get the stage built in the early 80s, back in the hall. Our school community have gained so much over the years from this stage. Christmas Concerts in Mary's & Gerard's are legendary!

Fund-Raising

Thank you for the generous support today for our raffle, organised by our P.A. We also have Christmas Trees for sale. Please check the Parents' Whats App more details. Thank you to the P.A. for this work and for decorating the school hall for us all.

5th Class

Ms Kearney's 5th Class had a model election today to learn about the voting system. Templecarrig School Greystones sent their 6th Year politics students to work with our 5th & 6th on this theme. Hopefully it builds interest in politics and citizenship in our Senior Pupils. They engaged very well in the topic and had prepared well with their teachers in advance of today's election. Thank you Ms Kearney for introducing this to our school.

Christmas Ideas

Please remember to suggest books as gifts for the children, when well-meaning relatives ask you for gift ideas! We need to encourage our children to read lots and build strong reading habits. This is an ideal time to pop into the book shops and see what they are interested in. There is an author and a book out there for every child; we just need to expose them to the right genre and keep encouraging them to pick up a book!