

# St. Gabriel's Christmas Newsletter

## Christmas Concert



Our Annual Christmas Concert will take place on Thursday the 21<sup>st</sup> of December at 9:30a.m. in the school hall. Children from all classes will take turns on the stage to sing carols, perform rhymes, star in a play and generally spread the Christmas cheer! We would love to see you there to share in the festive fun.

## First Class take some time out to meditate

On Monday, the 27<sup>th</sup> of November, we went over to the Parish Centre to take part in a meditation, which was guided by Jayne. She put on some relaxation music and asked us to take some deep breaths and close our eyes, and, in no length of time we had drifted off to our happy place. Some of us, in fact, managed to fall asleep. During the meditation, Jayne asked us to think of all the fun things we did over the weekend, and to also, reflect on the events at school that day. We

focused on all the positive things in our lives and reflected on how grateful we are for them. Did you know that being grateful for all positives in life attracts even more to you? Sadly, our meditation class with Jayne swiftly came to an end, some of us were so relaxed that we could not get off our chairs, and even worse our legs felt like jelly, so you can imagine what our walk back to school was like!!!!

**By Petra, Lauren, Dayne, & Brody in Ms. Crampton's**

## Our School Musical 2018



As you have probably guessed, this year our children are working on the production of 'Annie'. They are really enjoying all the preparation and have pretty much perfected their roles. The musical will be held on Tues 30<sup>th</sup> & Weds 31<sup>st</sup> of January. More details to follow in the New Year.

## 4<sup>th</sup> Class visit Glanmore Foods.

Our class paid a visit to Glanmore foods, the beginning of December. It

is from this company that we receive our school lunches.

On touring the factory, we got to see how our lunches were made and prepared. They make their own bread, scones and biscuits from scratch to ensure that what we are getting is extremely healthy. The fun part came when we were allowed play with the dough.

Everything is completed by machine, apart from the buttering of bread. The lunches are freshly prepared the night before and the only day the factory workers get off is Saturday.

Before leaving, we all received a goody bag and really enjoyed eating all of them.

It was a very interesting to see how our lunches are prepared. It made us realise how important it is to be aware of the food we eat in general.

**By Tegan & Olaf in Mr. Quinns**

## Our First Confession

Our class recently made their confession. It was a lovely ceremony. We sang loads of songs and prayed hard too. Some of us took part in 'The Lost Sheep'; with the moral of that story being that God loves

us unconditionally and is always willing to forgive us. Towards the end of the evening, we confessed our sins to the priest and we then burned them all. We felt very cleansed going to bed that night and are now looking forward to Our Communion on April 29<sup>th</sup>. By Kian, Abbie, Max, Alex Smith, Alex Deegan, Jaida, Mackenzie & Carly

#### Santa's Visit



Despite severe weather conditions, Santa is hoping to visit us on Monday, the 18<sup>th</sup> of December. He has assured us that his sleigh is in good working order, therefore, ensuring his safe arrival. Looking forward to seeing you, Santa.

#### Christmas Jokes By 2<sup>nd</sup> Class

-What do you get if you put Santa and a duck together? A Christmas Quacker  
-What do elves learn in school?  
The Elf-abet  
-Why was 6 afraid of 7?  
Because 7 8 9!  
-What do you call a monkey dressed as a wizard?  
Hairy Potter

-Why are Christmas Trees so bad at knitting?  
They keep losing their needles.

#### Happy Christmas from the Student Council.

We hope that you are having a lovely time getting ready for Christmas. We had a great response for our Christmas homeless appeal. Thank you to all the parents and children who wrapped presents and sent them in. It was greatly appreciated! We hope that everybody has a great and Happy Christmas.

#### Ms. Kelly's Budding Scientists



On the 16<sup>th</sup> of November, Ms. Kelly's class participated in the D10 science fair in St. Louise's School. Every child in the class researched their project and worked hard at home to create wonderful projects ranging from homemade slimes & Lava lamps to a colour



symphony using milk and lava dye. The whole class proudly represented the school and were excellently behaved.

#### Just to remind you that...

Our School will close on Friday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of Dec at 12 midday, and re-open on January 8<sup>th</sup>.

