

# Guardian Angels' NS Newsletter – December 2019

# Cake sale

A huge thank you to all the parents and children for making our annual cake sale such a success. A very special thank you goes to the two 6<sup>th</sup> classes and our hardworking PTA who organised a great event that was enjoyed across the school. The cakes were amazing and yet again showcased the incredible creative talent of our school. A final thank you goes to Ms Mann, who co-ordinates the cake sale every year.



# T-shirt competition

This December, we are holding our first ever Christmas T-shirt competition. This is a way of including all our pupils in doing something positive and fun, with the proceeds going towards our new resource rooms. Pupils are encouraged to be as creative as they like, using any materials they choose or have at home. The only rule is that the T-shirt must have a Christmas theme. Prizes will be awarded for the most creative design in each class from Junior Infants to sixth. As we are lucky to have such creative talent in the school, we're sure the competition will be a fantastic and festive way to kick-start our Christmas holidays.



# Christmas performances

Our Junior and Senior Infant pupils are very excited about their upcoming performances on 10<sup>th</sup> December, and are busy rehearsing their roles, lines and songs. As we just don't have the room to accommodate everyone in the hall at the same time, we ask you to please wait in the foyer and only come to the hall at your child's class time. Children can be collected from their classrooms after their performance.

#### Live music performances

The halls of GANS were filled with music in recent weeks as we welcomed both a percussion group and string quartet to the school, giving pupils the opportunity to experience live music performances. Thanks to interactive workshops and lots of lively discussion and questions, the pupils learned about different styles of music and even tried out different instruments.



# Christmas gifts

There is a long-standing tradition of gift buying for teachers in the school. While such generosity and thoughtfulness are very much appreciated, we would just like to remind everyone that teachers do not expect gifts at any stage in the year. Your support of our various fundraising activities has been hugely helpful to the school, so unless your child would like to give a drawing or homemade gift, please don't feel that teachers expect anything.

#### Hockey

We are delighted to share more great hockey results. Our girls' team did exceptionally well to draw 1-1 against Divine Word, despite miserable weather conditions. Congratulations too to our boys' team who beat Kildare Place 3-1 in a recent hard-fought win. Well done everyone.



# Christmas holidays

The school will close at 12.30 on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December and will re-open at 08.50 on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January. We have had a very busy first term here at GANS and the children are ready for a wellearned rest. On behalf of all the teachers and staff, we thank you for your ongoing help and support and wish you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas. We look forward to seeing you all in the new year!

