



First Year Christmas Newsletter

December 24th, 2023

Wishing you all a Happy Christmas and Peaceful New Year

Message from the Year Head

Happy Christmas to all our 1st year students and parents. Our 1st year students have successfully navigated their first term in St. Caimins with great success. We have been really busy both inside and outside the classroom as our first ever batch Christmas Assessments took place and all the extra curricular activity in the form of sports, crafts, music and theatre really took off this term. It's the most wonderful time of the year.....

On that note, I would like to thank you, the parents, for your continued support. Look after yourselves, be kind to each other and I wish you Health and Happiness over the Christmas break.

Update from 1st year Student Council Representative - Lexie Toomey

We have just finished our 1st term of the school year here in St. Caimins. There has been a lot of activities happening throughout the term including the St. Caimins School Musical "Back to the 80's". We have also a new addition to the school, she is a therapy dog named Uma.

Our junior women's soccer team have been really successful in winning their way into the latter stages of their Munster Soccer competition. Our swim team also took part in a gala in UL for the Munster Schools swimming competition and last week our U15 boys came out as victors in their Clare Schools hurling competition.

We have helped organise a Christmas Shoe box appeal to help out the homeless and our youth SVP society have raised much needed funds for local families by running a super Christmas jumper day.

Science week was amazing it included some incredible and fun experiments with lots of beneficial learning too!

Our clubs have been doing very well and so too has our student council, they are all working very hard. All our exams are now finished and hopefully we can all enjoy a happy and safe Christmas break.

Dates for your Diary

Return to school after Christmas Break - Monday Jan 8th

1st Year Parent Teacher Meeting - Tuesday Jan 9th (4.15pm - 6.45pm)

February Midterm - Monday 12th February - Friday 16th (inclusive)

School Musical

A huge congrats to all of our 1st years who worked so hard in making our school musical a huge success. To see more of the picture from the performances please click on the following link:

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/saintcaiminscommunityschool/albums/72177720313515950/>



Minor Ladies Soccer

St Caimin's Minor girls' soccer team secured a spot in the quarterfinals of the FAI Munster Minor competition with a hard-fought victory over Colaiste na Trocaire yesterday morning. St Caimin's took an early lead as Aibhe Ring found the back of the net with a brilliant finish, capitalizing on a well-timed through ball.

The second half saw Colaiste na Trocaire pushing hard to equalize, creating numerous opportunities. However, they were consistently thwarted by our excellent defence and the exceptional goalkeeping skills of Abbie O'Gorman. O'Gorman's outstanding performance between the posts proved crucial in denying Colaiste na Trocaire's attempts to level the score.

Despite our defensive resilience, Colaiste na Trocaire managed to find the equalizer ten minutes from the final whistle, courtesy of a well-taken goal. With the score level, the match proceeded to a penalty shootout.

St Caimin's demonstrated composure and precision in the penalty kicks, with Aoibhe O'Leary, Ava Moloney, Amy Magee, and Courtney Behan all converting from the spot. The Player of the Match,

Abbie O'Gorman, continued her stellar performance by making two crucial saves during the shootout. O'Gorman's heroics ensured our passage to the next round, securing the team's place in the quarterfinals.

1st Year Accelerated Reader

We celebrated those who are making a massive effort with our Accelerated Reader programme today. Two students from each base class who have achieved the highest percentage of their personal targets were awarded with a voucher for Easons. Congrats to all, keep reading!



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