

**Principal's Report**  
**Thursday 15th December**

**Pastoral/Religious**

- Condolences to the Hodson family on the death of Karen Mc Donald, mother of Mia 2G.
- Condolences to Des Fitzgerald on the death of his mother, Frances.
- Condolences to the Scanlon family on the death of Tim, father of Cathleen 6B.
- Condolences to Sr Ann O'Donoghue on the death of her mother Kitty.
- Carol Service will be held remotely in school on Tuesday 22nd December.
- Ceiliúr have produced a video to fundraise for the Capuchin Day Centre It will be available on Youtube.
- Fundraising is also taking place for Aoibhneas and Kolkata using EasyPayments.
- Wellbeing committee received an amber flag from Pieta House for promoting positive mental health.
- Crib and Christmas trees in place since 1st December.

**Academics - Teaching and Learning**

- Reports for all year groups are being finalised and should be published for parents before Christmas. Detailed reports are being provided in lieu of Parent Teacher Meetings.
- SET Review completed.
- Meetings with parents re SEN ongoing.
- ICT grant of €13,156.06 provided by DES.

**Covid-19**

- 3rd case of Covid in school on Thursday 26th November. Contact tracing resulted in 6 students restricting their movements. No further positive cases resulted from this incidence.
- 4th case of Covid reported on Friday 27th November. No action required.

- New support team for schools working very well. Risk Assessment phone call took 45 minutes but was very comprehensive.
- Grant from DES of €28,662 towards the cost of reopening. €11 per pupil for cleaning and €40 per pupil for PPE.
- An order for Healthy Desk Pads has been placed. The pads(mats) cover the students' desks and remove the need for wiping down. The pads kill 99% of all bacteria and Coronavirus, they are self disinfecting and guaranteed to work for 12 months. The pads have a coating which protects against the virus. They will be in place in January.

### **Students**

- Congratulations to Zihan He 1M whose portrait is on display in the National Gallery.
- Students are preparing videos for the virtual Talent Show which will take place on Monday 21st December.

### **Staffing**

- Mr Tomasz Bialko has agreed to take over Sarah Woods Maths classes.

### **Buildings**

- Works on the windows are nearing completion.
- Roof work completed.
- Installation of helifix rods was completed on 9th December.
- Wiggling and repointing work ongoing

### **Other**

- Strategic Plan- committees working on recommendations arising from the survey. A deadline of the 18th December was given to the committees.
- Uniform Committee working on sourcing trousers for the uniform.
- Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd December schedule will be issued to students and parents by the end of the week.