



Scoil Íde Presentation Primary School, New Road, Clondalkin, Dublin 22.

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Dear Parents,

The following are a few items for your attention:

1. Christmas Pantomime

As a Christmas treat for the children, we have organised a trip for our pupils to see a Pantomime, Robin Hood, on the 9th and 10th of December in the Ballyfermot Arts Centre. There is no cost involved, as our lunch provider Carambola is kindly sponsoring the event. Students will travel there and back by private bus. Carambola have also volunteered to provide a snack for children on the day which will be in line with our Anaphylaxis Policy. If you **do not** wish your child to attend the Pantomime, please notify the school **in writing** before December 4th. If no note is received by December 4th, we will assume you want your child to attend.

2. In-school evaluation (WSE)

As previously advised, the Department of Education & Skills has informed us that an In-school evaluation (WSE) will take place in Scoil Íde during the week beginning Monday, **1 December**. The WSE usually takes four days. The evaluation will focus on four subjects –**Gaeilge (Irish), English, Mathematics and Physical Education**. The inspectors have already met with The Board of Management and staff. They will also meet with Mr. Alan Forde and Ms. Gillian Malone of the Parents' Association during the WSE. They meet with the Board of Management & staff again, after the in school evaluation.

The sampling of pupils' views will be done through the administration of questionnaires to pupils in 4th and 6th class, this will be done by inspectors, usually on the first day of the WSE.

The sampling of parents' views through the distribution and collection of **parent questionnaires** will form part of the WSE. Parents in the following classes will be sampled:

JI Room 1 Ms O'Neill

SI Room 4 Ms Duffy

2nd Room 5 Ms Downey

1st Room 6 Mr Campion

3rd Room 8 Ms Mc Cartin

5th Room 13 Ms Shannon

Questionnaires have now been distributed in

· **English**

· **Polish**

· **Lithuanian**

Please return your questionnaire by **Friday, 28th November**. A box will be placed on the red chairs opposite the secretary's office for the questionnaires. You may send it back with your child or bring it yourself. At the end of the WSE, the report will be available of the DES website, www.education.ie.

Please ensure your child is in time for school during the WSE, doors will close at 9:00am. Children may wear tracksuits all week during the WSE as they may have PE any day if it is being evaluated.

3. Parent Teacher Meetings

The Parent Teacher Meetings will take place on **January 21st & 22nd, 2015**. Please note this date, as date was incorrect in previous Newsletter.

4. School Contribution

If you have not paid your school contribution, please do so immediately. The school relies on this money to fund photocopying, journals etc...

5. **Dates for your Calendar:**

December 8th, 2014

December 22nd, 2014

February 19th & 20th 2015

March 16th & 17th, 2015

May 9th, 2015

May 27th, 2015

- **School closed for the Feast of The Immaculate Conception**

- School will close at **12:00pm** for Christmas Holidays, and will re-open on Jan 5th, 2015.

- School closed for Mid-term break.

- School closed for holiday & St. Patrick's Day.

- Communion

- Confirmation

Is mise le meas,

O. Ní Odhráin

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