

**DATES FOR THE DIARY**

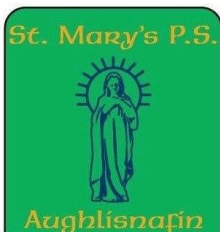
**6TH DECEMBER**  
**THE SNOW QUEEN**  
**AT THE LYRIC THEATRE**

**12TH DECEMBER**  
**SCHOOL CHRISTMAS**  
**PERFORMANCE**  
**11:00 AM & 6:00 PM**

**16TH DECEMBER**  
**FRIENDS OF THE FIN**  
**CHRISTMAS BAKE OFF**

**21ST DECEMBER**  
**SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR**  
**CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS**  
**12:00 NOON**

**6TH JANUARY**  
**SCHOOL REOPENS FOR**  
**TERM TWO**



## News at Saint Mary's Primary School

### Principal's Message

Hello everyone. The pupils and staff are busily preparing the Christmas performance, thank you to everyone who has spent time practicing their lines and rehearsing the songs. We are looking forward to coming together as a whole school community.

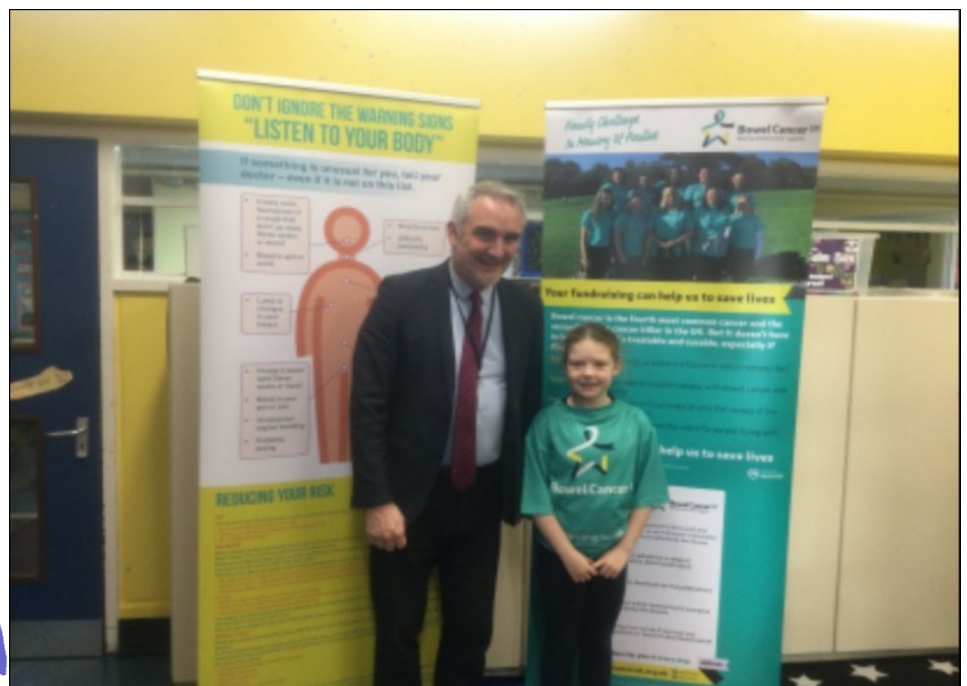
Thanks to all who attended our open morning on Monday past, if you could not attend we can arrange a visit to the school for those who contact the office. We have lots of events planned for 2023, please keep an eye on the school website for updates.

Finally if you wish to avail of our breakfast club or after school services please phone 02843778460 or email the office at [hcairns221@c2kni.net](mailto:hcairns221@c2kni.net)



### **Bowel Cancer UK Fundraiser**

Earlier this month the pupils in St. Mary's had a dress down day and sponsored walk for charity. £250.70 was raised for Bowel Cancer UK by Saint Mary's. Well done to Emma McKeating who arranged today's fundraiser. Once again fantastic generosity and support shown from all our families.



### Primary 7 Pizza Party!



### Northern Ireland Water

Anna Killen from Northern Ireland water visited our school and had an assembly for Key Stage 2 pupils. In the assembly we looked at the importance of conserving water, global warming and how it affects the world's water supplies.



### Action Mental Health

Laura from AMH visited the P7 class this month to deliver the "Healthy Me!" program. The children found the activities very interesting, beneficial and enjoyable.



## It's beginning to feel a lot like Christmas at the Finn

We have a number of events in the run up to Christmas to look forward to. On the 12th December we shall be performing our whole school play to get everyone in a festive mood. On the 14th December we will be having our annual Christmas dinner. Finally on 16th December, Friends Of The Fin will be holding a special Christmas Bake Off. We will keep you posted on further developments via our school website [www.stmarysaughlisnafin.co.uk](http://www.stmarysaughlisnafin.co.uk)



ST MARY'S  
CHRISTMAS PLAY  
MONDAY 12<sup>TH</sup>  
DECEMBER  
11:00 AM &  
6:00PM

Our Christmas Play will be on at 11:00 AM & 6:00 PM, to allow extra opportunities for family members to attend.

Admission is a donation to school funds.

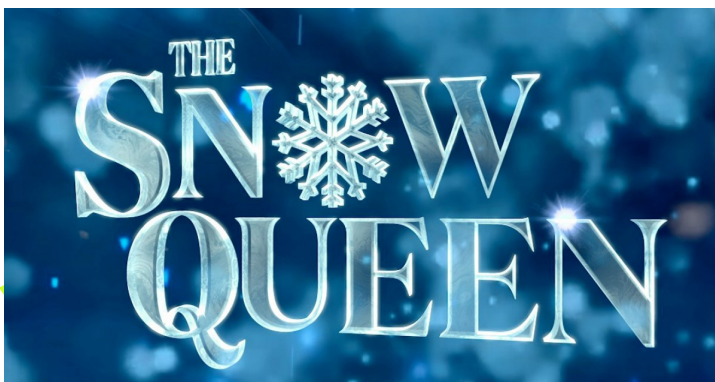
## Odd Socks Day

The Reception/P.1. class had a colourful display of odd socks for anti-bullying week. Well done!



## The Snow Queen

Next Tuesday (6th December) the school will be travelling to the Lyric Theatre to watch a performance of the Snow Queen. Please remember to be at school promptly on Tuesday morning to allow the bus to leave at its scheduled time. It should be great fun for all!



## Festive Flutter

The Friends Of The Fin have been holding bonus ball draws over the past few months to raise funds for sports equipment. A great success, thanks to all who participated in these events.



We have more dancing success at St. Mary's recently when Evie McCann and Mia Murphy from Primary 5 brought in their medals, which were won at a feis earlier this month.



Primary 5 were once again in the spotlight displaying their talents when Riley Willoughby brought in his medals and certificates, which he picked up at Aghlishnafin gaelic club. Keep up the good work Riley.

## Award winners

Finally, proving that Primary 5 have talent to spare, Ellen Morrow brought to school her rosettes, which were presented for her horse riding. Excellent Ellen!

We love hearing about our pupils talents and achievements. Please let us know so we can share your success with the rest of the school.

