



## **Scoil Mhuire NS, Gortanumera Newsletter**



### **Christmas 2017**

#### **Clothes Collection:**

**Thanks again to all who brought in all the items. Please** continue to bring any unwanted clothes as this will be on-going. Our last collection raised €170.

#### **Portumna Library Competition:**

Well done to Oisín Kiely, Brendie Scott, Shaunagh Kiely, Daragh McLaughlin, Abbie Cox, Tara Madden, Robyn Callanan, Oran Cox, Aisling Madden, Rivers Foley, Saoirse Hynes and Senan Harris; who were winners in the Portumna Library Art Competition. Well done to all who took part.

#### **Team Hope:**

The school took part in the Team Hope Christmas Shoe Box Appeal again this year. Children brought in gift wrapped shoe boxes filled with toys, clothing, sweets, etc. to help children across the world that are not as fortunate as us.

#### **Folens Christmas Annuals:**

The children received the popular Folens Christmas Annuals. Sugradh, Spraoi, Siamsa and Sonas are the different Annuals for each age groups. They are full of quizzes and puzzles and great for passing the time.



### **Connacht Rugby:**

Nicole Foley from Connacht Rugby came to train the students from 2nd to 6th some rugby techniques. We faced the chilly weather conditions to improve our techniques.

### **Hi-Vis Jacket Presentation:**

Abbie Cox from 2nd class won an art competition that was run by Green Isle. Her prize was a Hi Vis jacket for each student in the school. Thank you Abbie and congratulations on your wonderful win.

### **Science Week:**

NUIG post grad students visited the school. They visited 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th classes. They gave us a talk on antibiotics and how we are becoming immune to some. It was hands on and we got to do experiments showing how bacteria can linger even after washing our hands. It was really fun and we really enjoyed it.

### **Shadow Picture Workshop:**

Galway County Library picked us as one of their schools to show case the work of Pdraig O' Connaire "Masal Beag Dubh" . We had Joanna an artist come to the school over a four week period. She taught the senior room about animation. The children then created scenes from the story in silhouette form. It was then transformed into a mini animation.

### **Fire Safety Talk:**

Anne and Cormac came to give the senior room a talk on how to keep your home safe. It was very informative and we took home some really practical advice to improve safety in the home.



**Design a Christmas card:**

The children designed and coloured beautiful Christmas cards for their families and friends. We raised €92.75 for the school funds

**Christmas Show:**

The Christmas Show – The Jigsaw was performed on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> and Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December by all the children in the school for their parents and relatives. Well done to all involved, they were super!!

**Secret Santa:**

The children took part in the Secret Santa; they received gifts from their “Secret Friend”

**Credit Union Competition:**

Well done to all who took part in the Credit Union Art Competition.

**County Photos:**

County Photos will be coming to the school on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January to take the children’s photos.

**Website:**

Our website is now up and running, don’t forget to check out [www.gortanumerans.ie](http://www.gortanumerans.ie) for regular updates.

**Christmas Holidays:**

The school re-opens on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January after Christmas holidays.

*We hope you & your families have a Happy & Peaceful Christmas  
&  
Best Wishes for 2018 from all in Scoil Mhuire N.S. Gortanumera*

# Merry Christmas Word Search

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