

# PRESENTATION BALLINGARRY CHRISTMAS NEWSLETTER

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## *Principal's Christmas Message*

The joy of Christmas is contagious – but not because of the gifts but because of the spirit behind the gifts. This year our students have again collected enough food and essentials to fill hampers for our local chapter of St. Vincent De Paul together with special gifts from our 3<sup>rd</sup> year “giving tree.” We are delighted to be supporting this worthy organization because it means we are helping our own.

Christmas is also a time to reflect on the year and give thanks for our blessings. We are delighted to be teaching, learning and working together in such a wonderful school. In that spirit, I want to say thanks to all who support this school – it is on your behalf that we strive for excellence, that we not only educate from the curriculum but for life and the teachings of Jesus. We have a good school – but it's only a building – the people in it make it great. As we move forward – we look forward to a new year, working with all our students, even more sporting success, and excellent exam results.

We wish all our Families, Staff and Students a very Happy Christmas and New Year.

A.Cahill

## Academic Success.

- All Junior Cycle subjects are now in line with new JC Framework.
- Current TY students received outstanding Junior Cycle results
- 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> years have been busy completing CBA's
- Geography field trip completed
- Biology field trip completed
- Students went “ploughing”
- LCVP interviews completed
- LC English class attended the theatre in Cork
- Preparation for Orals in French and Irish well underway
- Parent – teacher meetings completed for 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>.
- All practical projects progressing in line with Department of Education guidelines.
- Trial day and open night were both well attended and enjoyed by all.
- Deceased relatives and friends were prayed for.
- We celebrated Presentation Day
- Maths challenges were set and solved
- In Advent we prepared our hearts for the birth of Jesus
- TY's continued the tradition of helping at Senior Citizen's party
- We set up Instagram and twitter!!
- Thank you, Mr. Par Morrissey for new Jerseys!

“Always be kind “

## Sporting Success.

### Presentation Ballingarry are Munster Champions!!

Ballingarry 1-10-Scoil Phól Kilfinane 1-09



### Congratulations to Mr. Egan and team mentor Eoghan Pollard and the winning team.

- Well done to 1<sup>st</sup> years on their success in Ladies Football blitz.
- Under 19 boys' basketball team beat the Abbey School, Tipperary Town.
- U19 girls' basketball team won their league game against Presentation Thurles
- Dearbhla Morrissey, Éabha Hogan, & Erin O'Brien who were presented with medals at the Tipperary Ladies Football Awards Night.

**Have a Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year!**

## Some More Highlights

### Retreats 2019

- The Religion Department in cooperation with Fr Danny O' Gorman organised days of reflection for each class group in the beautiful location of "Cnoranoir." These days provided the students with an opportunity to reflect, have fun and bond.
- **SVP News:**  
The academic year had only begun when the school's branch of the SVP group is in action. This year, the group is primarily made up of third year students who, together with Ms. Stanley began planning a coffee morning and Christmas party for our senior citizens. Another integral aspect of this group is the "Giving Tree" which encourages everyone in the school to become aware of the needs of others. Such a philosophy is very much in line with the ethos of our foundress, Venerable Nano Nagle, "Not words but deeds"
- Friends of Nano



As part of our Presentation Day celebrations, we were delighted to launch "Friends of Nano" 2019-2020. This group of students have committed themselves to meeting monthly and will engage in projects and activities to ensure that the flame of Nano shines brightly in our community



Seinn Choir 2019

**Finally....** We look forward to Camogie Munster Final, Basketball Plate and even more success on the hurling and football field....



## Nuala Celebrates 25 Years of Dedicated Service



Ms. Cahill makes a presentation to Nuala in appreciation of her 25 years of service.

### Seinn 2019

- Our Choir of 63 students joined with over 300 other students from around the Diocese of Cashel and Emly for a night of reflection and song on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December.

### Poetry Aloud,

- In October we hosted the Regional Final of poetry Aloud and on December 6<sup>th</sup> Maura Tobin represented the school in the final. Maura was outstanding and we commend her on her work and delivery.
- Student Leaders: Head Boy & Head Girl 2019



Student Council 2019

HAPPY CHRISTMAS  
FROM ALL OF US IN PRESENTATION  
BALLINGARRY

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