



Dear students, staff and parents,
As we approach the festive season, I want to take
a moment to extend my warmest wishes to each
of you. Christmas is a time of joy, reflection and
connection with our loved ones. It is an
opportunity to celebrate our achievements and
look forward to the new year with hope and
determination.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas filled with peace, joy and love. May the new year bring you happiness and success.

Kinds regards, Joanne Jackson.



## **Wellbeing Week**

Santa's visit on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December kicked off our Christmas Wellbeing week in school.

Santa arrived on his sleigh and chatted to all our pupils.

We enjoyed hot chocolate and lots of Christmas activities on the day.

Throughout the week pupils sang Christmas songs, created wonderful pieces of art and craft work and ventured out on winter walks.



## **Funky Kids Classes**

Beginning on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January Show Date: Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March

Admission Closing Date for New Infants Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2025





Thank to everyone who helped make our stall at the Christmas Craft Fair at Abbeyleix House a fantastic success. We raised €981.58 to go towards subsidising the Funky Kids Workshop in the new year.

Congratulations to raffle prize winners Belinda Gyves (1<sup>st</sup> prize, Ballyfin voucher) and Jill Condell (2<sup>nd</sup> prize, Christmas Hamper).



School Staffing: Ms. Jackson will be on maternity leave in the New Year.

Ms. Whiteford will be acting Principal,

Mrs. Mythen will be acting Deputy Principal and Ms. Costelloe will be acting Assistant Principal. The interviews for class teacher in the infant room will take place during the month of January. In the meanwhile, Ms. Phelan will be the infant teacher.

## **Carol Singing**

The pupils from 5<sup>th</sup> Class and 6<sup>th</sup> Class ventured Abbeyleix Hospital on
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December to sing carols and to play some instruments for everyone there and they also went to Abbeyleix Credit Union to entertain the local community.

Well done to our senior pupils.



## PHOTO OF THE MONTH

Third and Fourth Class pupils enjoy some outdoor adventures.







Congratulations to all our pupils on their wonderful performance at our annual Nativity Play, held in St. Michael's and All Angels' Church on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December.

























