

Scéalta 12

News & Information for St. Mochta's National School Community 21st November 2018

Strictly St. Mochta's

It's hard to describe the amazing event organised by our Fundraising Committee last Friday night at Westmanstown Event Centre. You had to be there! From the moment, you walked in the door, right through the evening, the atmosphere was electric! Congratulations to all involved in any way in ensuring such a successful production. A particular thanks to all our wonderful dancers who provided a very entertaining night. A special well done to the following:-

1st Place

2nd Place

3rd Place

Sarah and Ronan

Bridie and Colin

Karima and Dave

As ever, any event cannot happen without an organising group. We are in awe of our Fundraising Committee who have spent months making sure that Strictly St. Mochta's was a memorable night. Thank you so much for all your effort and time.

Next week's Scéalta will confirm the exact amount of money raised towards the cost of adequate play space for all of our children. But, for now, it's important for you to know that the money raised has far exceeded the expectation. Thank you.

In fact, if you have not had the opportunity, you can still contribute by clicking on one of the links below and supporting the dancing couple. The GoFundMe pages will close early next week.

[Ann Marie and Darren](#)

[Kate and Anthony](#)

[Catherine and Justin](#)

[Rachel and Barry](#)

[Helen and Darren](#)

[Ciara and Dave](#)

[Bridie and Colin](#)

[Karima and Dave](#)

[Prerana and Rob](#)

[Sarah and Ronan](#)

[Brenda and Martin](#)

[Kristine and Ted](#)

[Grainne and Hugh](#)

[Tara and Joe](#)

Thanking you in advance for your on-going support.

Strictly Kids

After a very successful event last Friday night, the Fundraising Committee is proud to announce that many dancers have been invited to perform for our children this Friday. We are delighted to be able to stage the dances in our new School Hall. Children will also have the opportunity to vote for their favourite dance. Boys and girls are being asked to bring €2.00 to cast a vote. Many thanks for your continued support! We hope all our boys and girls enjoy the show.

(to help with counting, please avoid sending copper coins – thank you for your co-operation)

Parent Teacher Meetings

Junior and Senior Infants finish school at their usual time of 1.30pm today and tomorrow. All other classes finish at their usual times today, but at earlier times tomorrow. Please see list below:-

Class Level	Day	Gates Open
1 st & 2 nd Classes	Wednesday 21 st	2.20pm
3 rd to 6 th Classes	Wednesday 21 st	2.30pm
1 st & 2 nd Classes	Thursday 22 nd	2.05pm
3 rd to 6 th Classes	Thursday 22 nd	2.15pm

Please collect your child at the time above so that the meetings may start on time. Many thanks for your co-operation.

From the Parent Association

Christmas Fun Day

Sunday 2nd December

1pm to 4pm

Come to St Mochta's for some Christmas Fun & Games with Nerf Madness, Hook-a-Duck, The Cube, Hoopla, Play your Cards and many more...

Cake Stall, Café, Tours of the New School and Raffle...

We are looking for volunteers to ensure that the event runs successfully. Help with the set up on Friday afternoon 30th Nov or Saturday 1st Dec. Or volunteer on Sunday 2nd Dec to help run a game or stall, if only for a few hours, or with clean up after the event. If you can help, please see a member of the Committee or email - parentsassociation@stmochtas.ie

We welcome donations for the **Cake stall** on the morning of the Fun Day Sunday 2nd December – buns, biscuits, tarts, scones, flans, brownies, cakes, small Christmas cake/pudding etc... home baked or shop bought. **Kindly note, due to a number of children having severe NUT allergies in the school, we would ask that you please do not use any nuts or nut products in your baking. Thank You!**

Science Week Update

- Due to Parent Teacher Meetings and Strictly for Kids, the Science 'week' will straddle the two weeks from 19th to the 26th November.
- Yesterday and today, our annual airplane competition for classes from 3rd to 6th takes place. Each pupil was asked to design and make a plane (no glue, cello tape, etc. allowed). Winners will be announced in next week's newsletter.

- Children can look forward to our main Science Day next Monday 26th when each class group will rotate around to do a different experiment with a teacher in the class group. We hope everybody enjoys this day.

Junior Infants – September 2019

All letters offering places for Junior Infants 2019 have now been issued. The closing date for acceptance is Friday 23rd November 2018. For your information, due to the high volume of applications, a cut-off date of 22/02/2015 had to be implemented.

A few reminders

- Our school gates will normally open at 8.30am. However, on severe weather days, they may open a little later. This delay may arise as we ensure the school grounds are safe for children before they enter the school.
- After school activities – the office closes at 3.00pm sharp. If you have any queries or need to contact any afterschool co-ordinator, please contact them directly.
- Lost property – if your child is missing any items, please check the Lost Property area (just inside the main reception). In a few weeks, we will be recycling any clothing items from this area.

Community Notices

- **Message from St. Mochta's Parish**

SONGS FOR A WINTER'S EVENING CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Following last year's very successful concert, Mary Flynn, Soprano, together with Mary O'Donnell, Harpist and friends have come together for the 9th annual 'Songs for a Winter's Evening' – a Christmas Celebration.

The concert will take place in St. Mochta's Church on Friday, 7th December at 7.30pm. Tickets are €15 and are on sale from the Sacristy after any mass or from the Parish Office during office hours. Or you can phone Mary at 087 2585398.

All proceeds in aid of The Capuchin Day Centre for Homeless People, Bow Street, Dublin 7.