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News & Information for St. Mochta's National School Community 12th December 2018

We wish Ms. Farrell the very best!

As you already know Ms. Farrell commenced her leave yesterday and we look forward to hearing exciting news shortly. In the meantime, Ms. O'Boyce will be Acting Principal and Mr. Cryan will be Acting Deputy Principal.

Bless Us All

Congratulations to our school choir who presented a wonderful evening of Christmas Carols and songs from movies and musicals last night in St. Mochta's Church. It was an amazing, festive celebration and we are incredibly proud of all the boys and girls who participated. Many thanks to Mr. Cryan for co-ordinating the evening and to Ms. McCarney, Ms. Stewart, Mr. Terry and Mr. McAdam for their work with our choir.

A Farewell Gift for one of our Traffic Wardens –Tina

As you will all know, one of our wonderful Traffic Wardens – Tina – has left her position at the junction of the Clonsilla Road with the Diswellstown Road Bridge. Tina has kept our children safe while crossing the road over many years. On behalf of the PA, one of our parents, Helena Kane will be collecting money to organise a 'Thank You' gift for Tina. Should you wish to contribute, Helena will be outside the main school reception at 8.30am tomorrow, Friday and Monday. She will also be available on Monday afternoon at 2.30pm. Many thanks for your support.

Appeal for your help!

Strictly St. Mochta's has raised almost €65,000 and we have the opportunity of possibly making it to €70,000. One of our dancers, Barry, has applied for the Version 1 Community Grant. If you have a Facebook Account, please press Ctrl and click on the link below. Then select Vote for St. Mochta's National School to win.

<https://woobox.com/gm9q72/gallery/oDNTGMrUmjw>

It's worth €5,000 to the school, so please VOTE and share with all your facebook friends.

Ask all your family, friends and work colleagues to do the same. There is no form to be filled – it's as simple as clicking VOTE! We need your help. Together, we can make it happen!

Internet Safety

Do you know what your child is doing online? Please continue to monitor all your child's devices and all internet activity. **Remember what goes on-line stays on-line.** Many thanks for your support and co-operation with this.

1st Class Plays

We look forward to welcoming parents and guardians of the boys and girls from 1st Class to enjoy their Christmas Plays at 11.30am as follows:-

Classes of Ms. Schmidt and Ms. Higgins will be on Tuesday 18th December

Classes of Ms. McAuliffe and Ms. Walsh/Ms. Carroll will be on Wednesday 19th December

- We kindly ask all parents to refrain from taking photos and/or videos of the children performing.
- Also, please note that we cannot accommodate siblings who are already attending the school. Many thanks.

Lost Property

Please come and check the Lost Property Area for any missing items. This area is located inside the main reception door. Any items left will be recycled over the Christmas period.

Christmas Holidays

All children will finish school for the Christmas Break on Friday 21st December.

<u>Class Level</u>	<u>Finishing Time</u>
Junior Infants to 2 nd Class	11.40am
3 rd Classes to 6 th Classes	12.00 noon

School will reopen at 8.50am on Monday 7th January 2019.

Information for January 2019

- The school photographer will be coming to visit the school on 15th and 16th of January 2019. Children should wear their full school uniform on these days. Further information will follow in the New Year.

Community Notices

- Anam Cara North Dublin, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 19th of December at 7:20pm in the Carnegie Court Hotel, Swords, Co. Dublin. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not.
- **Tigers Afterschool Care** still have places available from 1.30pm to 6.30pm. If you are interested, please contact the Manager, Amanda Jones, at 086-1704001 or email info@tigerschildcare.com for further details.