



23rd November 2017

Dates for Your Diary

Wednesday 29th & Thursday 30th November	1 st – 6 th Class Parent Teacher Meetings (please contact the School Office if you have not made an appointment)
Friday 1st December	4 th Class will be hosting Assembly 9am School Hall – all welcome!
Wednesday 6th December	Pre-School – Snr Infants Christmas Trip to The Ark
Friday 8th December	3 rd & 4 th Class Christmas Trip to the Pavilion Theatre
Wednesday 13th December	1 st & 2 nd Class Christmas Trip to The Ark
Tuesday 19th December	Senior Carol Service 7pm @ St. Matthew's Church
Wednesday 20th December	Junior Carol Service 9am @ St. Matthew's Church
Friday 22nd December	School closes at 12pm for all pupils for Christmas Holidays
Monday 8th January	School re-opens at 8.30am

To pay for school trips, please go to www.stmatts.ie



Christmas Cards & 2018 School Calendars

Please return your Christmas Card orders by tomorrow, Friday, to the PTA who will be in the School Lobby from 8.30am-8.50am. 2018 School Calendars can be ordered online at www.stmatts.ie. Please place your order as soon as possible to avoid disappointment!

Voluntary Donations

The Board of Management will be issuing the Voluntary Donation letters in February this school year, rather than in November. Should you wish to make a Voluntary Donation before this, you can do so online at www.stmatts.ie or by requesting the letter and forms from the School Office at secretary@stmatts.ie



St. Matthew's Basketball Team

Huge congratulations to the Senior Boys and Senior Girls Basketball Teams who both won the Dublin Mini Basketball League Finals in the National Basketball Arena yesterday. Both teams returned with the winning trophies!

Official School Hall Opening & Pupil Art Exhibition

Thank you to all those who were able to attend the children's art exhibition in the School Hall last week. If you did not get an opportunity to see your son/daughter's art piece, they will be available in Mrs. Rousseau's office until December.

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St. Matthew's National School Christmas Fair

Friday 8th December 6.30pm-8.30pm

The Parent Teacher's Association will be working hard to make sure that this year's Christmas Fair is as good as previous years, and that the children will enjoy another memorable event!

Some of the exciting things to look forward to:

- Raffle
- Sweet Stall
- Magician
- Face Painting/tattoos
- Cake Stall
- Refreshments
- Movie Room
- Toy Stall
- Children's Book Stall

The PTA is very grateful to accept donations of good quality children books, games, toys and DVDS, which can be sold on at the Christmas Fair (to raise much needed funds for the school). We will start collecting donations for the Christmas Fair from Monday 4th December.

We would also greatly appreciate raffle prizes and volunteers for the Christmas Fair.

More information to follow



St. Matthew's Church Services

Dear Parents & Pupils

Over the next few Sundays we at St. Matthew's Church are looking forward to commencing our advent celebrations. From this coming Sunday, 26th November, all children are invited to join Karen Woods during church services in creating nativity scene crafts and Christmas decorations. Karen will also be helping children practice for our Christmas Carol Service which will take place on Sunday 17th December. Services start at 11.30am.

All are welcome to join the festivities.

Rev John Marchant