



22<sup>nd</sup> October 2015

P.T.O. →



# Halloween Dress Up Parade Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October



Parents are welcome to join us at our "Halloween Dress Up Parade" tomorrow Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October @ 9am.

This year, our parade will take place outside and parents are invited to wait under the veranda area until the event begins!

The dress up theme will be a character from the movies (no fake blood or weapons please).



## Movie Event



Tomorrow, Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October, the Parents Association will be running another Movie Event following on from the success of previous years. There will be four film groups this year: Pre-school/Junior Infants/Senior Infants, 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> Class, 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Class and 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Class. Three films were selected for each group and the children had an opportunity to vote for their favourite. The results of the vote will be revealed on the day!!

Goody bags containing water/juice, popcorn and jellies will be distributed on the day. Tickets/wristbands for these goody bags are on sale at a desk in the lobby area from 8.30am to 8.50 am until Friday morning and the cost for these goody bags is €2.50. Films will be shown from 12pm and will be finished by 1.10pm (for the Pre-school/Junior Infants/Senior Infants group) and 2.10pm for the rest of the school. Normal after school arrangements will apply thereafter. All funds raised will go towards the works planned for the school hall.

Many thanks in advance for your support!

### Mid-Term Break Closure

**Reminder: The school will be closed for the October Mid-Term Break from Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October inclusive.** (Usual home-times apply & Afterschool Club and Athletics take place as usual on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October). **The school will re-open on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 8.30am.**



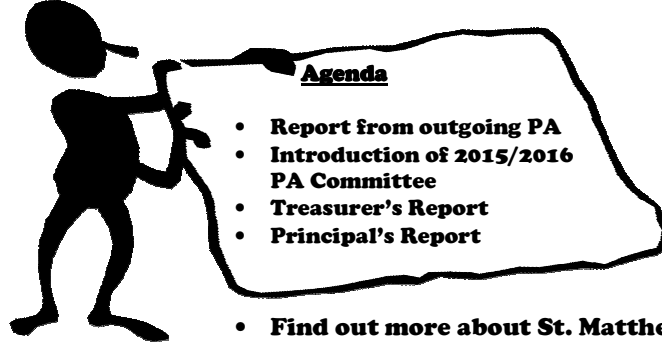
### Lost Property

Please collect your lost property from the clothes line at the front door!  
Anything left during the mid-term break will be donated to charity.



22<sup>nd</sup> October 2015

## Parent Open Evening Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November at 8pm



- **Report from outgoing PA**
- **Introduction of 2015/2016 PA Committee**
- **Treasurer's Report**
- **Principal's Report**

- **Find out more about St. Matthew's**
- **Get to know other parents**
- **Classrooms will be open for visiting**

- **All welcome**
- **Wine Reception from 7.30pm**



### Team Hope Christmas Shoe Box Appeal

This year St. Matthew's will be taking part in the Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal. Many of you will be familiar with this project from previous years. Shoeboxes are filled with school items, hygiene items, small clothing items, toys, treats etc. and sent to needy children across 24 countries. We will be asking that shoeboxes be prepared at home and dropped to school for collection. Leaflets will be distributed to families next week. We are asking that shoeboxes be returned to school from **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November**. They will be collected by Team Hope on **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November**.

### Christmas Cards



Dear Parents, as you know the children have all prepared some fabulous colourful images for this year's Christmas Cards.

On Monday 2<sup>nd</sup>/Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November there will be a form sent home for parents to fill in their orders for the Christmas cards, there will be 1 design per class, each design will feature an image by each class member. A sample image of each design will be on view in the school foyer area on the same Monday and package format and pricing information will be included in the order forms.

From Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November, the PA will be available in the school foyer area to review orders and receive payment. Our aim is to have all orders completed by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November in order to fulfill printing deadlines.

Thank you for all the great images, we look forward to the finished product.

The PA