

## **DECEMBER DIARY 2017**

The following are a few reminders of what's happening in the run up to Christmas.



### **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>**

11am - Santa Walk: All the pupils will don their Santa hats and Christmas jumpers and walk up the village finishing at the fountain (weather permitting). Come out and give us a wave if you see us passing by!

1pm - Santa is returning on his sleigh to visit Gowran. Once again, this is in aid of Temple Street Children's Hospital so we invite each family to donate €2 to this worthy cause. Each class will get to meet Santa and parents will have an opportunity to take photographs if they wish. All are welcome!

### **TUESDAY DECEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup>**

10.30am – Junior and Senior Infant Nativity in the church.

1.00pm – Carol Service with 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> classes in the church.

*You are free to take your children home, if you wish, after any of these events, but please inform the class teacher on the day. School will remain open until 3pm as normal.*

### **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup>**

School closes for the holidays at 12.30pm.

### **SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CARDS**

A sincere thank you to all who ordered cards. We hope you will enjoy sending them to friends and family. The venture will raise approximately €800 for school funds.

*Finally, we wish you and your family a Happy Christmas from all the staff of Gowran N.S.*

*Don't forget! We return on Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup> 2018*



## MONTHLY AWARD WINNERS FOR NOVEMBER 2017



Well done to the pupils who were nominated by their teachers for outstanding behaviour during November.

**GAA NEWS** A very busy season has just drawn to a close with hotly contested mini-league finals, in which Tommy Gittens' team and Katie Pitt's team were winners on the day. Well done to all involved. See the Sports section of the website for photos.

## ROINN A LADIES FOOTBALL FINALISTS!



Well done to our girls' football team who reached the Roinn A Ladies Football final vs St. Canice's after a fantastic win in the semi-final vs Gaelscoil Cill Chainnigh. The final was a fantastic game with both sides displaying great skill. Unfortunately, St. Canice's were the stronger side on the day but our girls did themselves proud and enjoyed a well-deserved meal afterwards in McDonalds!

A sincere thank you to Ms. Miriam O'Keeffe and Ms. Emma Nolan who coached the team.

## PRIMARY SCHOOL DEBATING

Best of luck to our 6<sup>th</sup> class team and their teacher who will have their first competitive outing against Conahy on Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup>. Our team are opposing the motion that, "Live animals should be prohibited in circus acts."



## IRISH DANCING

The pupils from 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> classes will display their talent on Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 9.30am following their ten week term with their teacher Evelyn White.

## ENROLMENT REMINDER

Closing date for completed application forms for September 2018 is December 15<sup>th</sup>.

Also, if you are aware of a child who hasn't siblings in the school already, perhaps you would let the family know. We appreciate your co-operation in this important matter.

### HEADLICE

Unfortunately, we have been informed by parents that headlice again appear to be a problem in several classes. Please check your child's hair immediately and treat if necessary. Your pharmacist will advise on appropriate products.

We would appreciate your co-operation in this matter as it is only going to be resolved when all the children infected are treated at the same time.

*Please see the tips sheet in the Parentzone on our website and help eradicate the problem.*