



Crecora National School November 2024 Newsletter



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A thuismitheoirí,

I would like to begin this newsletter by congratulating Ms. Barrett on the birth of her beautiful baby girl. We wish her and her family a lifetime of happiness. I would also like to express a warm welcome to Ms. Aislinn Condon who joins our staff this month. Ms. Condon will now be teaching 2nd Class.

November has been a very busy month here in Crecora. We have continued our Holy Rosary every Monday at assembly. We also remembered our loved ones who have left us, during the holy month of November. Our special remembrance table in the lobby is there to help us remember them.

As we approach the Christmas period, the children are busy learning their carols for our Carol Service, decorating the classrooms and getting into their narrative writing in English and Irish. We look forward to the coming weeks here in school. Keep an eye on our social media pages for more details and information!



Recent Events

- School reopened after the mid-term break on Monday 4th November.
- November was the month of Holy Souls. The children prayed for all souls throughout the month.
- The Christmas Shoebox Appeal took place in Crecora. An amazing total of 113 Shoeboxes were delivered to the centre in Limerick. Thank you all for your generosity.
- Both the boys and girls Mini 7s teams competed in their blitzes on 11th November. Well done to both teams on some superb performances. The boys qualified for the East Final.
- The school hosted an Open Night on Thursday 14th November at 7.00pm.
- The Boys Mini 7s played amazingly well, in horrific weather conditions in the East Final. They came close and we are so very proud of them.
- A Bake Sale and Coffee Afternoon was held on Friday 22nd November. An amazing €1,055 was raised. This will be put towards the cost of school trips and sporting equipment. Thank you all for supporting the Bake Sale.
- Parent/Teacher meetings took place on Wednesday 27th November.
- The school remained closed on Thursday 28th November to facilitate staff training on the new Primary Maths Curriculum.
- The school remained closed on Friday 29th November to facilitate a polling station.

Upcoming Events

- A Board of Management Meeting will take place on Monday 2nd December.
- Vaccinations are taking place in the school on Friday 6th December.
- The Student Council are hosting a Pyjama Day (Comfy Clothes Day) on Friday 6th December. They are asking each child to bring €1. These funds are going towards new goalposts that they wish to purchase.
- Our Christmas Carol Service will take place in Raheen Church on Thursday 12th December at 6.30pm.
- Food donations will be accepted in the school in aid of the Fr Daly Food Appeal. More information to follow.
- First Class will perform their Christmas Play on the 18th and 19th December in the school. More information to follow.
- Juniors, Seniors and First Class will have **a very special visitor** coming to the school on Thursday 19th December.
- School will close for Christmas Holidays on Friday 20th December. Junior and Senior Infants will finish at 12.00pm. 1st – 6th Class will finish at 12.15pm.
- School will reopen after the holidays on Monday 6th January.



Reminders

- Many thanks to all who have paid the required Art & Craft fee and a gentle reminder to those who have not to do so at their earliest convenience. Please contact Orla in the school office should you have any queries. Should you have any difficulty meeting this payment, please contact the Principal in the strictest of confidence.
- Parents are requested not to withdraw pupils for holidays during term time. **We would respectfully ask that you minimise withdrawing your child during the school day.** In exceptional circumstances, where necessary, please contact the school to indicate you wish to do so. Children will not be released to unknown adults under any circumstances. The school must be informed if there is a change in personnel for collection.
- Your child has twenty-four-hour personal insurance cover from 1/9/2024 to the 31/8/2025. This is included as part of the Art and Craft fee. Please keep expense receipts in event of accidents. Claim forms are available from Orla at the school.
- Should your child need supervision in the administration of medicine, the relevant forms are available from the school secretary, Orla. These forms must be completed and signed and accompanied by a letter from the doctor. Any required medicine, (e.g. Anapen, inhalers etc. as prescribed by a doctor) must be made available to the school and kept in the school medicine cupboard. Such medicines should be in date. Please **refrain from sending medicine/inhalers etc. with children.**

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Michael O Gorman
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