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It's been a very busy term and here are some of the highlights of the term.

Friends of Dublin Hurling Award

On November 16th, St. Canice's BNS was honoured by Friends of Dublin Hurling as Primary School of the Year in hurling. The school was presented with a plaque and a set of jerseys. A hurling blitz was held in the school on the week of November 12th-16th, and certificates and medals were presented to all participants. The winning team members were Craig P. Malone, Ryan Chaney, Adam B. O'Connell, Luke Dunne, Lorcan Gorman, Tadhg Devlin.



Our New Jerseys



Senior Football Team

Our senior football team lost to Baldoyle in the semi-final of the competition, after a hard close game. The boys were excellent in their preparation and thanks also to Mr. Irvine and Mr Quinn for managing the team. We are looking forward to the Fingal League in the Spring.

Our Senior Team

Junior Football Team

Our junior football team played very well in their matches this year. Thanks to Ms. O'Keeffe and Ms. Connaughton for managing the team. We are looking forward to the Fingal League in the Spring.



Our Junior Team

GAA Coach

Senior Infants and 1st Classes have been taking part in Gaelic Football coaching during the term. Many thanks to Barry Reynolds for his excellent coaching





Storytelling

Ms. Connaughton's 6th class visited the Axis in Ballymun, on Tuesday 11th December and Adam Scully told a wonderful story of honesty and duty to a packed audience.

Carol Service

The 5th classes with their teachers Ms. O'Keeffe and Mr. Power performed in a carol service in St. Canice's Church on Sunday 16th December. People who attended were treated to excellent solo performances by Adam Smith and Jack Nicholson.



Christmas Mass

The schools' mass for St. Canice's schools took place on Monday December 17th at 1.00pm. Well done to the choir for their beautiful singing who were excellently prepared by Ms. Loughman. Thanks to Fr. Ó Cochláin for a beautiful celebration of the Eucharist.



Cinderella

Our 3rd classes with Ms. Cuthbert and Ms. McHugh visited Cinderella in the Gaeity Theatre on Monday 10th December. They had a wonderful time and behaved impeccably.

Benefit Night

A benefit night was held in Erin's Isle for our caretaker Joe, and it was a great success. Thank you for all your support. We wish Joe a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing him back in St. Canice's.



Boxing

The 6th classes have taken part in a boxing programme for this term which culminated in a boxing display in the National Stadium on Monday 10th December. The boys were skillful and courageous and were supported by their classmates. A special thanks to Ms. Connaughton and Mr. Quinn for organising the project. Michael Carruth visited our 6th Classes to hand out certificates for boys who completed the Gold, Silver and Bronze Programmes.

Dublin Bus Competition

Well done to all the boys who took part in the recent Dublin Bus Competition. We congratulate Kain in 6th class for selection by Dublin Bus as one of their artists for their 2013 calendar.



Good News Stories

Lewis Cullen in 2nd class is player of the year for Tolka Rovers U8's.

Jack Naughton in 5th class was selected as U10 player of the year in St. Finbarrs GAA team.



Christmas Performances

We had a very busy schedule for Christmas. The Senior Infants with their teachers Ms. Lynchehan and Ms. McMenamin performed "Busy Busy Bethlehem" on Friday 14th December in the parents room.

On Tuesday 18th December the Junior Infants from Ms. Kenny's and Ms. O'Sullivan's classes performed "ABC Nativity" in their classrooms, Room 7 and Room 8.

On Thursday 20th December the children from Ms. Mulkeen's, Ms. Walsh's, Ms. Kearney's and Mr. Ward's classes performed a medley of Christmas songs.



Carol Singing

The classes in the senior corridor (3rd to 6th) are carol singing in Charlestown on Thursday 20th December from 4pm to 7pm, to raise money for the Simon Community and the School Yard Project. Many thanks to Mr. Quinn, Ms. Connaughton, Ms. O'Keeffe, Mr. Power, Mr. Irvine, Mr. Gaffney, Ms. Cuthbert, Ms. Lynchehan and all their classes for taking part. We are looking forward to seeing you there.



Website

Our school website is currently being redesigned. In Early 2013 we will launch the redesigned website. Please check out www.stcanices.com in the New Year!



Staff News

We welcomed Ms. O'Toole to our staff in the Resource Department on November 5th. We said adieu to Ms. McMorrow who has taken up a position in a third level college. We were also sorry to see Ms. McMenamain leave us on Friday 14th December. We thank her for her excellent care and teaching of the Senior Infants in Room 6 and wish her all the best for the future. Ms. Egan returned on Monday 17th December and the boys are delighted with her return.

Ms. McCaughan has replaced Ms. McMorrow in the Maths Resource position and Ms. Lynchehan is the Senior Infants teacher now in room 5. We wish both of them well in their new assignments.



Finally, on behalf of everyone in St. Canice's BNS we wish you all a very happy, safe and holy Christmas and all the blessings for the new year.



Nollaig Shona Dhaoibh go léir agus athbhliain faor mhaise!