

# **Scoil San Treasa**

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## **CIRCULAR TO ALL PARENTS, No. 4, 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2011.**

### **Scoil San Treasa Novelty Day & Daniel's Heart Christmas Fair**

Rang a Sé will run this annual charity event on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December and the pupils have already contacted you appealing for donations of toys, books, etc.

Daniel's Heart Christmas Fair (proceeds to Laura Lynn House) takes place on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December, 10.00 a.m. -1.00p.m. in the Community Centre and we are appealing particularly for books (all types, children & adult, fiction, travel, cooking, etc.) to the foyer by tomorrow if possible.

### **Educational Contribution & Additional Voluntary Contribution**

On behalf of the board of Management, thanks to all who have made their contributions, and in particular to those who completed tax forms to enable us to claim from Revenue. I thank Ann Markey, treasurer of the outgoing BOM, whose work over the past four years enabled us to avail of considerable extra income through the tax refund scheme. I also thank the school secretary, Yvonne for her work in processing the forms.

(If you have not yet contributed, we would welcome your contribution before 15<sup>th</sup> December)

### **Pupil Safety**

Parents are reminded that the school accepts no responsibility for pupils before 8.40 a.m. or after official closing time (1.20/2.20). Parents of infants should ensure that their children are collected from the designated area in front of the school on time. Parents of pupils in other classes who collect their children should wait outside the school gate. (Older pupils are encouraged to walk independently to the car parks). Pupils with bicycles must dismount while on school property.

No parent cars are allowed beyond the car park at any time.

Staff agreed last year not to access the area in front of the school and at official pupil assembly /collection time. This safety measure is pointless if a minority of parents ignore the rules. New signs will be erected in the near future. Thank you to the vast majority of parents who comply.

### **Focus on Education Week**

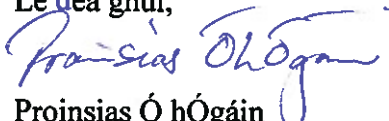
The three teachers unions have organised a "focus on education" week for this week. There are various protests, activities etc, planned to highlight the cuts planned in the December budget, cuts which will seriously impact on primary schools including our school. Increase in class size, loss of funding, decrease in learning support and special needs assistants are all possibilities. The threat to further increase class size is particularly worrying for our school as we could be facing loss of teachers and having to mix class levels. Constituency T.D.s' addresses are available on link on our website. The BOM urges you to e-mail or write to your local T.D.s this week, so that they are aware of the level of discontent in the school community for these measures. (e-mail addresses on the link below)

<http://www.into.ie/ROI/GiveKidsTheirChance/TDEmails/>

### **Parents' Association**

Thanks to organisers and supporters of the recent Cheese & Wine Evening which was very successful and enjoyed by all.

Le dea ghúí,



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