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Dear Parents,

We hope you are all keeping well and looking forward to the Christmas holidays. We extend our thanks to you and our school community for the efforts made by everybody in maintaining high standards of hygiene and behaviour against the virus and facilitating the continuity of school life.

We have had a busy term with children and staff engaging in all areas of the curriculum taking part in many online projects and activities.

We would like you to tune in to the Joe Duffy Show, this Thursday Dec 23<sup>rd</sup> as Fionn Corcoran from 4<sup>th</sup> class is doing a short book review and talking about his story writing feats. The show is called Little Liveliners. Congratulations to Fionn and we wish him all the best as he hits the air waves.

We have completed many Christmas Crafts. Have a look at the children's class blogs to see how busy they have been. We thank Tekaterina and Antanas who are co-ordinating a Christmas project for display in the Town Park. You may see this display from Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup>.

As we can't visit the hospital this year all the children wrote cards and letters to the residents of our local hospital and residential homes. We posted over 150 cards and letters this week. Well done to the children and all those involved in this project as we try to spread the Christmas Cheer.

We had a great trip to the Opera House on 16<sup>th</sup> to see 'Nanny Nelly's Adventures in Pantoland'. We thank those who looked after the children on the day.

Our Christmas Mass is booked for today Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> at 1.30p.m. You may view it on [churchservices.tvkanturk](http://churchservices.tvkanturk)

Due to Covid the dynamics of our Green School Committee changed. Our 6<sup>th</sup> class pupils have been elected as the new committee for 2022. We are working on the theme of travel. They have completed many projects online in relation to climate change and protecting the environment. We urge you to reduce the amount of Christmas wrapping paper used and recycle as much of it as you can.

The Astroturf Committee have asked us to remind you that the draw for the Toyota CHR car will take place on January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Tickets can still be purchased online [www.kanturkastrouturf.ie](http://www.kanturkastrouturf.ie) or in local participating shops. There is also a second prize of €1,000 and third prize €250.

We conclude by thanking you all most sincerely for your support in the school. We wish you a very happy, peaceful Christmas and continued good health and happiness for 2022. Nollaig Shona daoibh go léir. We will be closing Wednesday Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> and reopening again on Thursday January 6<sup>th</sup>. As we have staggered opening and closing times at present we will continue with staggered closing times on Wednesday. They are as follows;

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> /6<sup>th</sup> class -> 12.20pm

3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> class ->12.30p.m.

I remind you to log on to our school website to keep up to date on school events. The address is [www.kanturkbns.com](http://www.kanturkbns.com)

Don't forget you can follow us on twitter [@colmansbns](https://twitter.com/colmansbns)

Your sincerely,

Eilish Finnegan,  
Principal.