



Nollaig 2014



Dia dhaoibh go léir ón scoil. Tá gach duine anseo ag obair go dian ag ullmhú le haghaidh na Nollag!

Christmas Art

You are all very welcome to visit and enjoy the 'heart-warming' art that is displayed around the school for Christmas. A special word of thanks to the staff and the boys and girls who have adorned the school so beautifully for the festive season.

Christmas Raffle



The Christmas Raffle is gathering momentum; there are lots of lovely prizes here and they will be on display next week. 'Thank you' to all who have kindly donated so generously. Ticket sales are going well. Please don't forget to have your returns back in the school by next Monday. The raffle will take place on Friday the 19th @ 12 noon before we close for the holidays.

School Security

We have had a letter from the Crime Prevention Office of An Garda Síochána advising us that burglaries in schools have escalated in the past few weeks. While we have a comprehensive security system in place, local vigilance is vital in keeping our school secure. Each time our security system is breached we pay an extra callout fee. Last year we suffered the loss of the contents of the oil tank over Christmas. "Prevention is

always better than a cure"! So if you see uninvited guests on the premises after school hours please phone the guards @ 35102 or 32304.

Creative Writing



It is now safe to say that Avoca School has got "Writing Talent"! Choosing a winner for this year's essay competition was so difficult; fourteen finalists were selected and every teacher read each of the essays and scored them out of ten. Niall Byrne from third class came 3rd with a score of 97%, James Murray in fifth class was 2nd with an impressive 99%, but the winner with an astounding 100% was Kate O'Hara in 6th class. These young writers make coming to school a pleasure and you too can enjoy their work on the blog @ www.avocaschool.ie.

Christmas Story

To keep the writers' pencils sharpened we now have a fun event where boys and girls can write a story that begins with "Twas the night before Christmas...". There is a box in the hall for the stories and a teddy who reads out loud! This is not a class project and participation is voluntary.



Co-curricular Subjects

Yoga Classes are now finished for this year. After Christmas we will have "Hip-Hop" for

