

Loreto  
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Newsletter



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## O Holy Night: An Evening of Music & Song



Beautiful music filled our concert hall on December 12<sup>th</sup> as the choir, music classes and music students performed to an enraptured audience to help them get into a festive mood. The choir sang festive favourites like *Silent Night*, *O Holy Night* and *In the Bleak Midwinter*, mixed among lively performances of *The Shoop Shoop Song*, *Halo* and *Karl*

*Jenkins' Adiemus*. Sally-Anne Kavanagh, Cherrymae Fabria, Eva Anino and Lisa Slattery performed superb solos and our string players played *Away in a Manger* and *Trepak* from Tchaikovsky's *Nutcracker*. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Music students sang and played a lively version of *Winter Wonderland* and the senior music students combined beautiful harmonies and body percussion in *White Winter Hymnal*. In their last concert, Tara Brilly, Sara Jones and Melissa Muresan (*pictured right*) marked the occasion with a beautiful trio of Kodalíne's *All I Want*. Thanks to all who came to support our concert.



**The Transition Year  
students of 2019-2020  
are proud to present...**

# SISTER ACT

**22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> January  
2020 @7.30pm  
Tickets available in January**

## Happy Christmas

We would like to wish everyone in our school community a very Happy Christmas. Mr. Lenehan and the 1<sup>st</sup> year science classes put together a second Christmas tree following the one erected in our front hall at the start of December. This is a *Chemical Christmas Tree* and it was on show for all to see in Mr. Lenehan's lab this week.





## Transition Year News

4<sup>th</sup> year students have been incredibly busy over the last fortnight, and there's plenty more ahead of them. On Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> December, Ms. Dolan brought the group to Dublin's Convention Centre for the *Languages Connect* event. They got to explore lots of linguistic learning and tried out various workshops such as Beginner's Italian, French Fashion and Taekwando.

On Thursday 12<sup>th</sup>, 4 Griffith class visited Microsoft Ireland and linked in with past pupil Kirsty McCarthy. The trip was organised by Ms. Kelleher

in association with Junior Achievement Ireland as part of their *Finance Your Future* programme.

The TYs held a Bake Sale on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December. With help from the 6<sup>th</sup> year Home Economics class, many, many teachers and some 5<sup>th</sup> years who experienced the event last year, the TYs raised €820 to help the production of their upcoming musical: *Sister Act*. A special word of thanks to Dave Gorman of *Q Café*, father of 5<sup>th</sup> yr Holly Gorman who donated prizes for the TY raffle. Mr. Lenehan won the Penguin Cake and Sara Jones (6<sup>th</sup> yr) won the hamper.



## Bushtucker Trials – “Get Me Out of Here



What a show our energetic and enthusiastic parents organised on Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> December. Students got the chance to participate in *I'm a Celebrity* style *Bushtucker Trials* in room 20. Mr. Howard's Home Economics kitchen was transformed into a hot, stinky swamp like atmosphere as five challenges were placed before the teams. Each year group was invited in to test their nerve in trials such as: *Search for the Stars* in a box of creepy crawlies, Drink the *Leap Frog Jungle Juice*, *Pickled Brain eating*, *Aligator Eye eating*, and *In Deep Water* (pictured left), where students buried

their head in a disgusting soup of goo to find a star. A total of €440 was raised which will go towards purchasing chairs for our new computer room in Marian House (check it out on the last page). A huge thank you to our wonderful Parents Association who did such a “dsgusting job” in organising this “stinking event”. It was terrific fun!

## Wall of Fame

A new addition to our school corridor in the last fortnight is our *Wall of Fame*. Past pupils are invited to send in a brief biog of what they have gone onto achieve following their graduation from Loreto College. This project is in its infancy and this display is but the first incarnation of the project. We hope to add many more faces over time and make the display even more impressive.

If you are a Loreto graduate reading this and would like to let us know what you are doing now, email our deputy principal Mr. Whelan [mwhelan@loretocrumlin.ie](mailto:mwhelan@loretocrumlin.ie)



## A time of giving, a time of receiving



It has been a hallmark of Loreto Crumlin students over the last 90 years that they go out of their way to raise funds and do good deeds for those who need a helping hand. There have been many, many examples of this spirit of giving over the last month as students and staff brought the true spirit of Christmas into our school.

Second Year students sold purple ribbons, badges and flowers in aid of Cystic Fibrosis and raised €240. Ms. Young again organised her Shoebox appeal for homeless people in Dublin and on Monday 16<sup>th</sup>, the *Feed the*

*Homeless* charity collected 16 shoeboxes from the school. Our Christmas hamper appeal, chiefly organised by Ms. Dillon saw a huge amount of food and goodies collected in our school. Ms. Dillon and the student council arranged all the donations into 24 fabulous hampers and your kindness will hopefully help make a happy Christmas for lots of families in our local community.

*How far is it to Bethlehem?  
Not very far.  
Shall we find the stable-room  
Lit by a star?  
Can we see the little Child?  
Is He within?  
If we lift the wooden latch,  
May we go in?*



# Ho Ho Ho Hockey

It's been a busy fortnight for our first year and TY hockey players. On Monday December 9<sup>th</sup>, they headed out for a double header against Loreto Balbriggan. It was their first chance to try out the new hockey equipment donated to the school by Irish Hockey. The first years played out a spirited 0-0 draw, while the TYs scored a last minute goal to draw 1-1 against the Balbriggan Gaisce Hockey team.

The 1st year hockey team attend the annual Loreto Christmas Blitz Tournament held in Dalkey on the 16<sup>th</sup> of December. It was a cold morning but that did not hold back our girls. The girls knew their role when we got there and got straight into the games with a draw in the 1st game. We went on to play the next game and we were narrowly beaten by 1 goal. The girls came off and gave each other a chat and went back into the next game to win that game and from the the momentum kicked on! We played a total of 6 games and everyone played their socks off. The girls never gave up in any of the games and they were a pleasure to have representing their school. They have come along nicely this term and I'm looking forward to the New Year. Happy Christmas from Ms Doyle.



## And there's more...



JCSP students visited Tallaght stadium to go Ice Skating on December 19<sup>th</sup>



First years enjoyed a festive Christmas quiz on December 13<sup>th</sup> courtesy of the 6<sup>th</sup> year Prefects.



The choir went carol singing on 19<sup>th</sup> December in Stephen's Green Centre to raise funds for Loreto charities including SVP & Women's Aid.



16 Apple Mac computers donated by Griffith College were installed in room 49 on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December.