

# ST FRANCIS' PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

29/11/21

We are all starting to get organised for the coming season and we know that it's a busy time for your households too!

## Christmas dinner

Our school Christmas dinner will take place this Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December and pupils will finish school straight after at 1pm. One bus will collect all of our usual bus-users at this time, it will drop off Ballyvarley; Glasker then Greenan so the route will take a little longer than usual. Pupils are invited to wear their choice of Christmas jumpers/ hats for the day and will need a change of footwear and possibly socks following our 'Rudolph run'.

## Chris Cringle Tradition

This year we will again organise Chris Cringle in the classrooms. All gifts (£3-£5, to be marked as boy, girl or either) should be brought to school by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December. These will be given out and will ensure everyone gets a Christmas treat.

## St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal

Once again we will be supporting the St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal. If you would like to make donations for this appeal, you can select one or two items from the attached list and bring them to school from 1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> December. All items will be donated to the St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal. Last year YOUR generosity ensured that we were able to donate several hampers to this appeal.

## Christmas Appeal for St Vincent de Paul

Suggested donations: (1 or more items)	
Chocolates	Coffee (instant and ground)
Tin/packet of Biscuits	Tea bags (standard and speciality)

Tin of Shortbread	Cranberry sauce
Christmas Pudding	Tomato ketchup/brown sauce
Yule Log	Mince Pies
Christmas Crackers	Cheese Crackers/biscuits
Selection Box	Fruit loaf
Tins/packets of soup	Crisps/peanuts/popcorn
Tins of peas	Jam/marmalade/Honey
Custard	7up/Coke, etc.
Tins of sweetcorn	Shloer
Sugar	Dilute Juice
Olive oil	Gift voucher
Pasta	Napkins
Super Noodles	Rice
Cereals/Cornflakes/Weetabix, etc.	<i>Other suitable donations</i>

### Christmas play

Unfortunately, with things as they stand, we will not be hosting our Christmas play as we normally would. Instead we hope to share a special Christmas video performance with you all. Ordinarily, families would have the opportunity to make a donation to school funds by purchasing tickets for the Christmas play. This year, if anyone would like to support the school we are compiling a wishlist of books/ novels that our pupils would like to see in their class libraries. I will post a link to this wishlist and parents who would like to can 'sponsor' a book, using the link, for the class of their choice. There is no pressure to do so, but if you would like to, it would be a fabulous way to support your child's reading and gift them and their peers with some lovely books to look forward to when they return after Christmas.

With sincere thanks,

Mrs McKeown