



# Well Done to all our Christmas Stars

Congratulations to all the children on their outstanding performances in the Christmas plays! Your hard work, creativity, and enthusiasm truly brought the holiday spirit to life. We are so proud of each and every one of you.

We had actors, narrators, singers, dancers, tin-whistle players, ukulele players, gymnasts, gaeilgeoirí and more on the stage in our hall over a period of two weeks. Of course the audiences were filled with proud parents, grandparents and other family members. Thank you to everyone involved in this very special part of the Christmas season.



## Dates for the Diary

Sixth class will be performing the 'Jungle Book' in the Arts Centre

- Miss Kelly's 6th class – 26th February 2025
- Mrs. Gilligan's 6th class – 27th February 2025
- Mr. McCormack's 6th class – 28th February 2025

Confirmation – 29th March 2025, 3pm, Cathedral of Christ the King





# St. Vincent de Paul Food Appeal

As is tradition in St. Colman's, the Student Council have been running the food appeal in the school in aid of St. Vincent de Paul.

The children in St. Colman's value the importance of children helping children and the Student Council are very proud to be promoting this and encouraging families and children to take part in donating food.

The Student Council designed posters to support the appeal and have visited classrooms to explain to the children what the food appeal is and who they will be helping.

The Students Council would like to thank all the families and children that have donated.



# Student Council Members Recognised

Elections for our Student Council were held in November and we now have our new members for the 2024/2025 council.

A ceremony took place in the school in December, when children from the outgoing council were presented with certificates and tokens of appreci-

ation, and members of the incoming council were presented with their badges.

Mullingar Chamber of Commerce Chairperson, and past pupil of St. Colman's, James Bourke, was guest speaker.

There is one member from each class from first

through to fifth classes and two members from each of the sixth classes. The achievements of the outgoing council include organising the Shoebox Appeal, collecting food for St. Vincent de Paul, creating a Lego notice-board in the school hall and the introduction of a

board-games afternoon. Mr. Beehan is looking forward to hearing ideas from the new council during upcoming meetings with them. Putting yourself forward is a very brave thing to do, so well done to all the children on both outgoing and incoming councils.



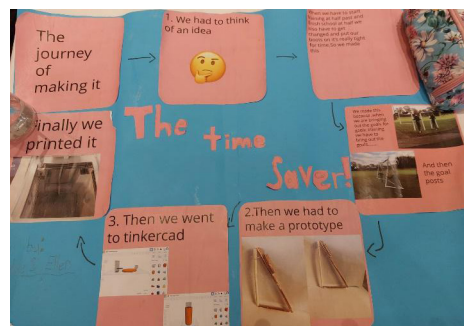


# Taiscéalaí 2024 3D Printing Sustainability Challenge

It's been a busy few weeks for the children in 6th class, who took part in the Taiscéalaí 2024 3D printing Sustainability Challenge. This involved working in small groups to come up with a problem that could be fixed or improved, using a 3D print as a solution. For example some tables in our classrooms were unsteady because one table leg is not level with the floor. The

children designed a prototype to put under the table leg to stop it wobbling. The children used an app called Tinkercad to make a 3D print with the same measurements as their prototype. When they 3D printed these the problem was solved. They created and printed book stands, book marks, pen holders, a Finger Football game, a coat hook, goal post holders,

game counters. They also fixed a pair of broken glasses. They presented their projects in the Mullingar Park Hotel on Tuesday. It was an incredible experience for the kids and one we hope they will always remember. We are proud of all the children for being creative and hard working. Their projects were amazing. They are a credit to our school.



# Mullingar Handball Club 70th Anniversary

We were delighted to join in the 70th anniversary celebrations of Mullingar Handball Club in November. The school was very proud to accept our award for 'positive promotion and active participation in GAA handball' from President Conor McDonnell. A huge thank you to Natasha Patrizi and her committee for all their hard work getting handball up and running in our school. A special mention to two of our upcoming superstars Emily and Adam, who both received All Star awards on the night. Keep up the great work guys. Robbie McCarthy will be looking over his shoulder!







## JUNIOR INFANTS

Our new Junior Infants are settling into school life wonderfully! They've embraced new routines, made great friendships, and are already showing a love for learning. Well done to our youngest learners!



## CHRISTMAS FAIR

A huge thank you to everyone who helped make our Christmas Fair fundraiser a fantastic success! From the organisers and volunteers to those who donated and attended, your support and generosity are truly appreciated. We couldn't have done it without you.

