

Eolas



CHRISTMAS MAGIC

The Magic of Christmas, a Gala Concert for all the family, will take place on Saturday, 18th December, at 8 pm in the Shannon Oaks Hotel. The fundraising concert, in aid of a local Artist Bursary, will feature seasonal singing, music, dance and words performed by local talent in the area including Anna Browne, Joe Casey, Colin Fahy, Muirne Hurley-Goode, Frank Downey, Mary Smith, Helen Collins, Christmas Starlets, 2010 'Fiddler of Dooney' winner, the Omna Singers and St Brigid's Church Choir and many more.

Tickets available for sale at Hayes & Hayes Pharmacy, Ladies Day Boutique and Garry Kenny's Store. Admission €10 (adults) and €5 (children) with concession rates for groups who pre-book on 087 2931055. A special family ticket costs €20 (2 adults, 2 children). Please support.

A set of 2 adult tickets will go to the first 2 people to text 087 2931055 with the answer to the following: *Who wrote the song 'Happy Xmas (War is Over)'*? Include your name on the text and a contact number!

CHRISTMAS LITURGIES

Our Christmas Liturgies will take place next week between 13th and 17th December. Each class will be invited to Suaimhneas during one of their R.E. or S.P.H.E. class periods.



Fr. Abe.

SHOW JUMPING

Congratulations to 2nd year student, Aoife McDonagh, who represented Ireland in the Show Jumping Event that was held in the De Warre Equestrian Centre, Belgium, during the last weekend in November. The competition she took part in was the 120 Class Individual Show Jumping and was up against competitors from all over Europe. Well done to Aoife who came Third overall. We would like to wish her the best of luck in future events.



Emma Hodgins, Ruth Fahy & Sinead Fahy (2nd yrs).

CHARITY CAR WASH

in aid of Barrettstown Therapeutic Clinic for Sick Children



Do you need your car washed? Come along to Ted Larkin's Garage tomorrow, Saturday (11th) from 9 am till late and support this worthy cause.

The Eyrecourt Boys will be helping out with the washing and Santa Clause will make an appearance from 2pm to 3pm. All donations will be gratefully accepted on the day.



Eamonn Larkin, 3rd yr.

SANTA'S HELPERS



The Christmas season has officially begun in Portumna with Santa's arrival in Portumna Castle last Saturday and the lighting of the Christmas Lights!

Once again, the Christmas Events Committee, along with the help of some students, worked hard preparing the Castle for the big man. Over 300 kids and hundreds more adults came along to the event to see Santa and the feedback was very positive from everyone. The foggy and snowy weather added to the Christmas atmosphere and there was plenty of singing, face painting, colouring in for the smaller kids, letter writing to Santa (with each one personally checked by Mrs. Claus), and a full size and very spectacular sleigh where kids and grownups alike could sit in and have their photo taken.

The Events Committee want to thank everyone who helped them stage this event particularly the OPW, their Supervisor & Caretaker in the Castle and the Portumna Post Office staff for selling the tickets. But a very special thanks goes to the Students from Portumna Community School who came to help at the event - they worked extremely hard during the whole six hour event and were an essential part of the successful day.

On behalf of the committee I want to thank these students and especially the girls who came along and helped us decorate the castle the previous weekend during the cold weather. We really appreciated your help!



Anne Donohue

A pair of glasses was found over two weeks ago in a classroom and have been left into Anne's Office. Also a number of locker keys are still unclaimed!! If you have lost any please come and check in the office in case one of these are yours.

Students, please collect all bags, coats, etc. from around the school before you leave each Friday. All unclaimed property will be gathered and disposed of at Christmas. Make sure you collect your belongings and take them home.

