

Heartbeat

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Remembering those less fortunate this Christmas



This year's Shoebox Appeal has been hailed a massive success, as staff and students did their bit for those less fortunate this Christmas.

A whopping 130 shoeboxes were filled with essentials and treats, which delighted RE's Miss Clarke, who said: "As always, Sacred Heart students have astounded us with their generosity.

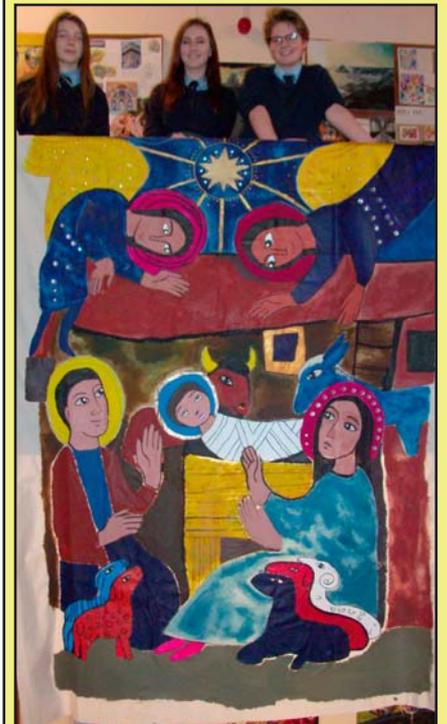
"We filled a staggering 130 shoeboxes, which were all full to bursting with essentials and treats for people in desperate need. It has been an absolute pleasure to see the response from all students, from Year 7 to Sixth Form."

Ewan Roberts from Asylum Link was totally overwhelmed and e-mailed to explain what will happen to the boxes.

He said: "Over the coming weeks, some of the boxes will go to those who are destitute. The remaining boxes will be given out at a Christmas Party on Thursday.

"It is great that Sacred Heart has been able to do this and it will cheer up a lot of people during what can be a difficult time." Miss Clarke added: "A massive thank you goes out to all students and Form Tutors for their contributions and to Mr Moorhead and Mrs Sinnott for organising and co-ordinating the appeal.

Art students brush up on nativity scene



Our Year 10 Art students have been getting in the festive spirit recently, as they put brush to canvas to produce this breathtaking Christmas scene. Pictured holding the artwork are; Ella Hoey (10H), Lucy Howard (10S) and Tallulah Kirwan (10T), who, together with Mollie Boardman (10A), Stephanie Tosini (10R) and Leah Gillam (10T), painstakingly produced the classic scene as part of one of their Art projects. Lucy said: "It has taken us about three weeks to produce and we are really pleased with the results."

Y10 help the homeless ahead of the festive period



While many look forward to the excesses of Christmas, a group of Year 10 students took to the streets to help the homeless. The thoughtful youngsters visited Liverpool to give out 35 food and essentials packs, including food, toiletries and warm clothing to men and women sleeping rough. The idea was the brainchild of six-year-old Poppy Crilly, whose sister Daisy is in Year 10.

Joining Poppy and Daisy (10R) on their quest to help the homeless were her mother, friends and fellow Year 10 girls, Caitlin Proctor and Kate McCobb (both 10H).

Like lots of other parents at this time of year, Mrs Crilly asked her daughter what she would like Father Christmas to bring her on December 25.

The youngster replied, 'she would like to help feed people less fortunate than herself'. Mrs Crilly said: "At such a young age, Poppy has thought about others, and I think that is just wonderful and should be recognised. At first, she was a bit daunted at the prospect but the homeless men and women

made such a fuss of her and thanked her for her generosity."

The girls met a man in his 20s called Jamie, a former British soldier who fought in Afghanistan and Iraq.

Post-traumatic stress disorder and family breakdowns forced Jamie on to the streets. Daisy said "It was a really emotional thing to do but we've all taken so much from it and will do it again.

News in brief

Our Christmas Cabaret Concert takes place from 7pm tomorrow in the Prep Hall. The Christmas Fayre and annual Raffle take place on Thursday. Lessons will finish at noon on Thursday for the Fayre. Years 7-8 will start their day at Upper before being escorted to Lower during p2. They will be joined by Y9 at 11.30am and Years 10-13 at noon. Term finishes at noon on Friday. We hope you all have a fantastic Christmas and a wonderful New Year. See you in 2016. Have a good one.

Fayre and Raffle

Our PTA Christmas Fayre takes place on Thursday and you can still support us in this exciting event. We are looking for local businesses, parents and friends to donate anything from toys for our tombola, unwanted gifts or anything you think will help us raise money for Diabetes UK and our PTA. Our Christmas Raffle also takes place on Thursday. Among the prizes on offer are: signed Everton and Liverpool shirts, a day on a barge for eight, a meal for two at The Barbacoa, a meal for two in Pioneer, Waterloo Rugby Club tickets, a Satterthwaites Cake, Food & Drinks Hamper and much more. Tickets are available via the usual methods.

The card's the star



Congratulations to Rosie Weekes (8A) who designed the College's official 2015 Christmas card.

The competition was open to all students from Years 7-9 and, after much deliberation, Rosie's design was selected as the winner. Head of Art, Mrs Hannigan, said: "The standard of entries was, as usual, of an incredibly high standard but we just felt Rosie's card fully encapsulated Christmas." As well as having her design used, Rosie also received a selection of festive sweets.

