



# Saint Francis School

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Dear Parents,

We would like to draw your attention to the following:

1. **Sports Fun Day** for this scholastic year is going to be held on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January at the Cottonera Sports Complex from 8.15 a.m. to 12.15 p.m. Parents are invited to attend.
2. **Year 3** - It has been decided that as from this year, in order to be in conformity with the National Curriculum Framework, students in years 3 will not be having formal half-yearly and annual exams but they will still have regular tests as advised by the teachers. Marks obtained during these tests will be considered for the assessment grades that will be given twice yearly. So we advise you to take the tests seriously and help the children prepare for them regularly.
3. **Blessing of Advent Wreaths** - Advent will be starting on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November. It is the custom for our school to hold the blessing of Advent Wreaths which the children bring from home. These are to be brought to school on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November. We suggest that these advent wreaths are made from recyclable materials to conform to our Ekoskola image.
4. **Christmas Cribs** - We will be holding a Christmas Crib Competition and Exhibition. Those interested are to bring their cribs to school on the 7<sup>th</sup> December. These cribs are to

be made from recyclable materials. The best crib will be given a prize.

5. **Christmas Parties** - The Christmas Class Parties will be held on the last day of school that is on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December. The P.T.A. members will be kindly organizing these parties. For the price of €3.50, each child will be given party food, a packet of juice and an hour with a professional entertainer. Students are to bring with them water or any other drink if they desire and a container for any left-over food.
6. **Christmas Concerts** - May we remind you that we will be having our Christmas Concerts on December 15<sup>th</sup> for Years 1 and 2, December 16<sup>th</sup> for Years 5 & 6 and on December 19<sup>th</sup> for Years 3 & 4. **These are all going to be held in the morning at 11.00 a.m.** During these concerts, those who were in Years 3, 4 and 5 last year, and who were awarded a prize for Excellence, will get their reward on that day. Parents are invited. (Only 2 persons per family can attend). Babies or very young noisy children **are not allowed to attend** these concerts.
7. **REMINDER re P.T.A.** Annual General Meeting which is going to be held next Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November, at 6.00 p.m. Mass will be celebrated. The P.T.A. will be giving information about the progress of our New Sports Complex. It is important to inform the school if you are attending. May I take this opportunity to thank all those who have sent donations. Thanking you for your co-operation, I remain,

Yours faithfully,  
Sr Giovannita Briffa