

Clooney National School Christmas Newsletter 2020



Dear Parents,

As we approach the end of 2020, I would like to thank you for your support of the school throughout the year. The year has brought many changes and challenges for us all. However, our return to school in September has been a success. The staff and parents of the school are to be complimented for enabling a normal return to school life. Most of all, the pupils of the school are to be admired and congratulated this Christmas. They have adapted to their new routines and have brought positivity and joy back to the school community. I wish you all a safe, happy and peaceful Christmas and New Year.

Shane Greene (Principal)



Congratulations to the First Communion Class who had their big day on the 12th Sept 2020. It was a lovely day despite having to work within the Covid 19 restrictions.

School will re-open on
Wednesday the 6th of
January 2021





We wish Mattie a very Happy 80th Birthday.

Thank you to the Parents' Association who supplied a tree which was planted on the grounds of the school in his honour. We wish Mattie many more years of good health and happiness.



The children watched movies in their respective rooms for HALLOWEEN as the normal party was not possible due to Covid 19. The Parents' Association supplied the treats for our party.



Thank you to the Parents' Association for their donation in September. This went towards the Accelerated Reader Programme.





Congratulations to our two
millionaire readers who
both have read one million
words on the Accelerated
Reader Programme



3rd-6th Class singing Christmas Carols while socially distancing.





A big thank you to all the boys and girls who kept washing their hands and worked so hard to keep our school Covid 19 free.



A big Thank You to Miss Lynch for all her hard work on our Christmas Video.



POEMS & VALUABLE LESSONS WE HAVE LEARNED DURING LOCK DOWN BY 6TH CLASS

1. Don't take anything for granted.
2. How fast the world can change.
3. Appreciate your family.

By: Paddy O'Keefe

Covid 19

In the year of 2020
The schools were shut down and the streets were empty.

I was happy to have no school for a few days
But after a month I hoped it would move down a phase.

I helped to do work on the farm
But at that point Corona was calm.

We weren't allowed to have any parties
But stayed connected with House party.

All the laboratories were on the scene
Trying to bring a Covid vaccine.

After a while I was hoping
That all the schools would reopen.

School started on the 1st of September
That much I can really remember.

Halloween was the 31st of October
And that again was when school was over.

Now it's Christmas and I'm making this rhyme
Hoping Corona will go just in time.

By Nathan Killeen

12 days of Lockdown

On the 13th day of March,
the world gave to me
6 months of quarantine.

In the days of April, the
world gave to me
hand washing to stay
clean.

Now during May, I was all
fed up
I really hope Corona will
stop.

The sunny days of June
brought laughter, hope and
shock
we are allowed go to the
shops.

July has come so now we
are nearly done,
I just want to meet my
friends and have some fun.

August has arrived and
everybody chimed
School was going to open
up.

September is here and
'Hurray' we cheered
School have finally opened
back up.

Christmas is here and I
hope this will all end
So that I can meet up with
my friends.

By Alex Purtill



- 1 **Slow down and don't always be rushing, take a break when you need it.**
- 2 **Don't be cross with your parents when they say no sometimes because there is always a reason.**
- 3 **Appreciate the beauty of nature.**

Ruby O'Reilly

Lockdown 2020 was fun
Seeing my family and playing
in the sun
There was a boring day here
and there
Towns were quiet every-
where

I was looking forward to
going back to school
Talking and playing and act-
ing the fool
September 1st, we go back
Talking and playing and hav-
ing the craic

We were in school about a
week
Remembering to put our
hands up when we needed to
speak
Playing fairly in the yard
Work wasn't really that hard

I thought Covid wasn't really
much harm
Because I was active and
working on the farm.
Covid 19 I will never forget
The world will get better
yet!

By Daniel Cleary

How to care more for those you love.

**Wash your hands every hour.
A mountain bike should be
greased often.**

Dermot O'Halloran



**I learned how to cook and bake.
I noticed all the nature that comes and goes
from my house every day.
I learned stuff about my family before I was
born.
Alex Purtil**

**Talking to your family is as fun as talking to your friends.
Things you have everyday can be so limited and im-
portant.
Care for those in need because they are most vulnerable.**

Emily Perill

One Day Long Ago

One day long ago in 2020
There was not swimming, no hiking or
trekking.
The shops had to close, there was nothing
we could do
Except to hope and try to do what they do.

Everyone went out on walks, cycles and
runs
Everybody went outside to have some fun.
The homemakers baked and did a bit of
cooking
People redid their rooms as they did not
like how they were looking.

People watched TV, had movie marathons
They watched the news often hoping for
something to excite about.
All the while getting lockdown haircuts
And drawing something random, watch-
ing out for paper cuts.

August was here, people grew hyper
Parents looked forward to not have to
change dirty diapers.
Children were going back to school, it had
been announced
The lockdown was over! And off to school
we bounced.

By Aine Fitzgerald

**Don't take life for granted.
Family and friends are most
important.
Don't go too fast on a
scrambler.**

Sean Considine



1. The importance of keeping a distance and washing your hands.
2. Appreciate your family.
3. How fast everything can change.

Darragh Browne

I learned to put people first.

I learned how to cook.

***I learned to treat people the
way you want to be treated***

Adriana Miniter



**How important it is to take care of yourself and
your family during Covid.**

**How important it is to keep your grandparents
company.**

**What it is like to have to say hello through a
window.**

Daniel Cleary





Santa came to visit on Monday . He re-assured the children that they were all on Santa's good list!

