

**December 2013**  
**METNS Parents Association Newsletter**



**MIDLETION**  
EDUCATE TOGETHER NATIONAL SCHOOL

Middleton Educate Together Parents Association  
Presents

# Winter Fair

On Saturday December 7<sup>th</sup>  
From 1:30 to 4:00 PM  
at Midleton Educate Together  
National School

Crafts & Cakes, Music,  
Multicultural Winter Traditions,  
Games, Raffle, Face Painting and  
more.



All children must be  
accompanied by an adult



## Dates for your diary!!

**17<sup>th</sup> of December:** trip to the cinema to see "Frozen"

**18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> of December:**  
Winter/Christmas show performances

**Winter/Christmas break:** school closes at 12pm on the 20<sup>th</sup> of December and will re-open on the 6<sup>th</sup> of January

## USEFUL INFORMATION!!

**Christian Montagne C.M.**  
PAINTING & DECORATING  
(Fully registered)  
Contact: 087-134 6022

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**Ludwik Włodarz**  
COMPUTER REPAIRS & SALES  
Contact: 085-151 5399

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Don't forget to send us your contact details if you provide a service that you would like our school community to know about.

Email us at [newsletter@midletonet.com](mailto:newsletter@midletonet.com) with your details and they'll be in the next newsletter!

**"I do believe something very magical can happen when you read a good book"**  
**J.K. Rowling**



We are delighted to announce that the **book rental scheme** was able to contribute **€700** to the purchase of class novels for all children from 1<sup>st</sup> class upwards. These books will be arriving into the classrooms in the coming weeks and we hope that everyone enjoys them.

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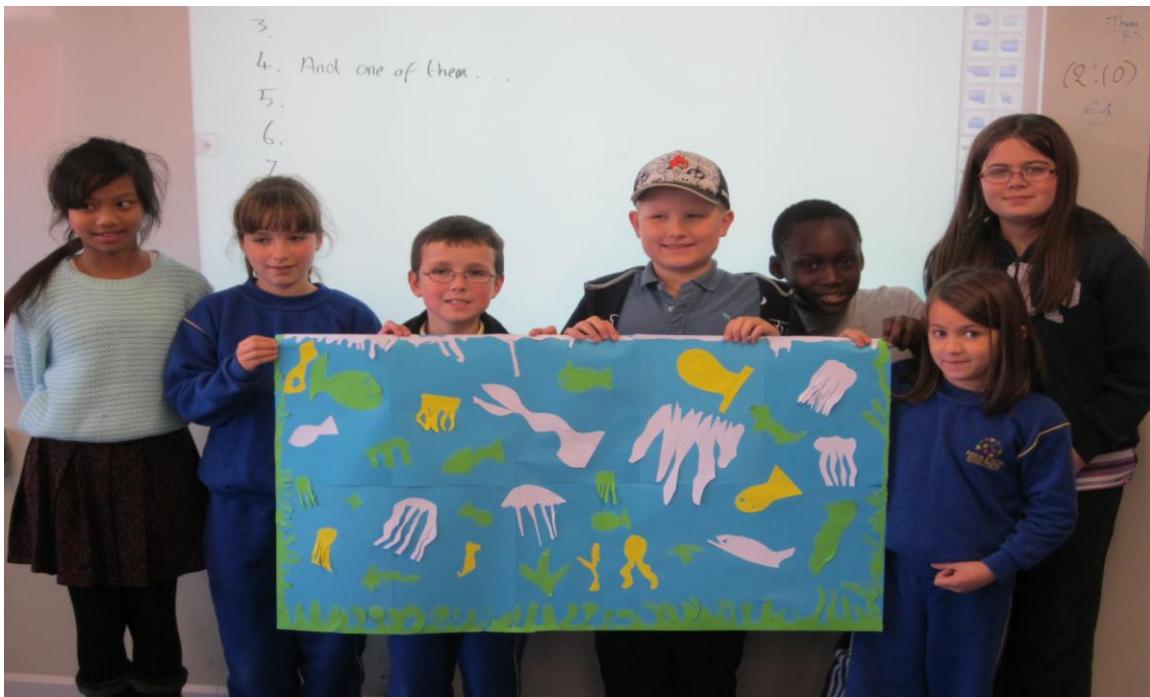
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## Updates from 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Class

**Third class** enjoyed a fantastic trip to Sage restaurant recently. Chef Kevin taught us all about the importance of eating healthy and told us about Sage's 12 mile menu. We then became the chefs and prepared scrumptious pizzas. Once they were cooked, they were delicious! We said thanks to Chef Kevin and returned to the school happy and full.



During the month of November **fourth class** explored some of the famous artistic works of French artist Henri Matisse. We initially examined some images of the unique pieces made by Matisse during his "Drawing with Scissors" phase before creating our own. We used a scissors to create the individual shapes instead of using a pencil. Although it was a new experience for us in fourth class our collaborative piece came together in the end.



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## DID YOU HEAR???

### Midleton Educate Together National School Gets First Yellow Flag For Cork



We first applied for the Yellow Flag in June of 2012. Our hopes were high that we would succeed in our mission for Cork's first Yellow Flag. We were delighted to hear that we had been accepted into the Yellow Flag Program. Our preparations began immediately guided by many parents, teachers and most of all the hard working students. The eight steps towards receiving our Yellow Flag included explaining racism to the students of the school and celebrating other cultures throughout the school. We collaborated along with 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> class to produce our diversity code. To compliment that, we created a short animation about anti-racism with the help of Belinda Walsh. After a year of hard work, we were awarded the Yellow Flag. On the 12<sup>th</sup> of November we travelled to Dublin to obtain our Yellow Flag. Along with the Yellow Flag Committee, teachers Múinteoir Shelley, Múinteoir Pearl, Muinteoir Catroina, parents Anna Doris and Irene Gargam and Chrissie O Sullivan from TVG accompanied us on our journey. We arrived at Smock Alley Theatre, buzzing with excitement. Amazingly only nine schools in Ireland were collecting a Yellow Flag, it was a privilege to be one of them. We presented our short film about anti-racism, sang and performed actions in front of a large crowd which ended with a loud applause. With proud faces, we were handed our Yellow Flag. The next school day, seeing smiles on the students faces made us feel we'd done our school proud.

**Written by Heather and Padraig - 6<sup>th</sup> class.**

For more information about the Yellow Flag, please visit: <http://www.yellowflag.ie>

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