# Scartaglen National School

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## Huge Success for Scartaglen N.S. in the Christmas Blitz

We were delighted to have five teams taking part in the Christmas Blitz this year in Castleisland. We had two senior teams and three junior teams taking part. All the boys and girls played really well with the Senior Girls and Junior Boys Teams winning their competitions. The Boys beat Curranes in the final and the Senior Girls overcame Nohoval in a close match. Congratulations to both teams! A huge thank you to Mossie, Ciara and Ella Kerin for all their coaching and to Ms. O' Connor for her coaching in school.



Dates for your diary: The school will be closed for Mid-Term on 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> February. There has great been excitement over the last couple of weeks as every child in the school is taking part in a marathon! We have run a total of 22km already so we are over half-way there. We run around the school each day on a track which is 225m long. We do three laps in the morning, after small break and after big break which is a total of over 2km each day! You can walk or run and it is a great chance to get fit and chat with your friends. We hope to finish our marathon over the next few weeks!

#### Big Battery Hunt

Team Green The have organised a Big Battery Hunt during January. Boxes were distributed to every pupil in the school and old batteries were collected in the boxes. There was a huge response and the Green Team and Ms. Doody have been collecting all the batteries. They will now be recycled which is a great help to the environment! Thanks to Ms. Doody for all her work.

### All-Ireland Success for Ms. O' Connor

A huge congratulations to Ms. Eileen O' Connor and the rest of the St. Mary's Basketball Team on their All-Ireland success on Sunday. St Mary's put in a dominant final performance to overcome Pyrobel Killester 71-54. There were a number of Scartaglen National School past pupils involved in the game: Mary Herlihy, Sarah O' Sullivan Denise and Denise Dunlea. MVP received the award following wonderful a performance. We are all very proud of Ms. O' Connor and I'm sure many of the girls and boys that play basketball with our school teams would like to follow in her footsteps one day!

#### Credit Union Quiz Teams

Well done to our two quiz teams that represented Scartaglen N.S. at the Credit Union Quiz in the Brandon Hotel, Tralee. The Junior Quiz team was made up of students from 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Class: Niamh O' Donnell, Ryan Walsh-Murphy, Charlie O' Keeffe and Mollie Mahony. The Senior Quiz team was made up of students from 6<sup>th</sup> Class: Muireann Walsh, Orlaith Buckley, Cillian Reidy and Muireann Rahilly. There were 27 schools represented with 53 teams taking part. They had a great day and enjoyed the quiz. Well done all involved!