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FUN DAY 2016

On a beautiful sunny May day, the school was filled with the sound of laughter, singing, shouting and excitement as Fun Day was in full swing. May 13th saw our annual celebration of all things sporting and fun.



The day started with a titanic clash between our All-Ireland winning Basketball team and our teachers. The game ebbed and flowed with the students winning by just a single point.

There followed a fantastic showcase of talent in our Karaoke competition, races of all kinds for all year groups, bouncy castle, sumo contests, 'Soak the teacher' and a barbecue. Another student-teacher battle ended the day with the traditional game of rounders.

The student council ensured the day was filled with colour by getting each year group and teachers to wear clothes of different colours to brighten up the day more.



Prizegiving

Chairperson of our Board of Management, Nuala Mannion was guest of honour on 20th May at our annual celebration of students' achievements for the year.

From studies prizes to awards in all areas of curriculum and sport, there were great achievements to be celebrated in each year group. The Many Kinds of Excellence Awards sponsored by the Parents' Association went to Holly Keating (Junior) and Kellie O'Neill (Senior), pictured left.

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DONNING THEIR APRONS

All First Year students made their own aprons in Home Economics class this year, completing them in May assisted by Ms. Henry and Ms. Martyn. Check out the I Franklin class modelling theirs proudly, (right).



TRINITY ACCESS PROGRAMME

Eight students from 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th year were nominated and selected by their teachers owing to their hard work, commitment and enthusiasm throughout the year to attend an Awards ceremony in Trinity College in May to receive well deserved prizes.

The nominated students were:

Shania Paul, Nivedita Deepu, Eimear Fitzgerald, Nadia Hennessy, Milena Navjalyte, Marika Sadowska and Martina Ibrahim. (pictured left)

A special award called the **SALTER Sterling medal** is also given to a 4th year student, selected by the staff who they feel best embodies the spirit of 4th year and stood out as a role model due to her great attitude and enthusiasm in all areas of 4th year. This was awarded to Erica Kiernan (also pictured left).

Trinity Summer School Programme: Three students from fifth year will have the opportunity to attend the Trinity Summer School Programme for a week in June. During this time the students will work in teams on a project of their choice in relation to; web-design, creative writing, film studies or photography. Students chosen are; Valerie Geraldmin, Taylor Roberts, Aywaa Ali Ahmed and Claudia O'Lynn.

TAP Chemistry School: Here one lucky student will attend Trinity for four days where they will undertake in experiments in laboratories, attend science talks and attend social events in the evenings including a 'Pizza and Quiz' event. A student is yet to be selected.

Walton Stem Club: Emma Kopecka and Fatima Chegrani have been offered a scholarship in which they will attend summer camps for a week.

Look out for some of the fun activities that you can take part in next year.

If you have any questions don't hesitate to come find me, Ms Horgan, in Room 28



GAISCE

The picture below shows the winning pose of our 4th and 5th year candidates after completing the adventure journey for both the silver and bronze Gaisce programme.

Our students headed to Lough Dan and explored the mountains. Silver Gaisce pupils completed 50km and the bronze pupils completed 25km. Despite the hailstones and cold the girls were in great form and showed great stamina and determination.



...so what else happened in the final term?



Fifth and Sixth Year Biology students went on an Ecology field trip to Glendalough with Ms. Busteed and Ms. Higgins.



First and Second Year students had an African drumming workshop exposing them to music making and team building.



Neha Jacob (2nd yr) and Judith Sleator (5th yr) participated in the Loreto Public Speaking Competition in Foxrock.



At a ceremony in Kimmage Manor, our Ember team Graduated following a year of fulfilling faith leadership.



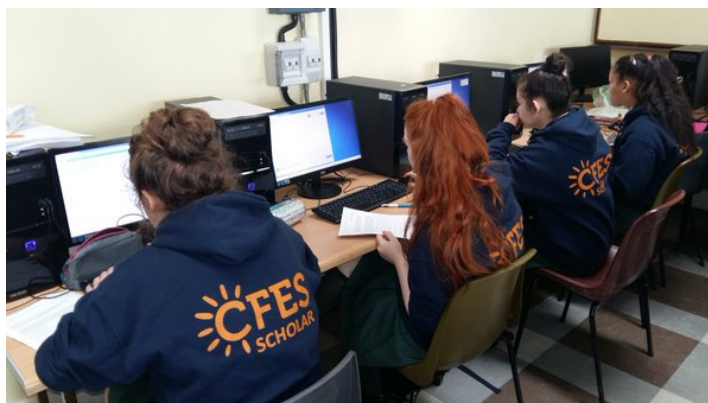
Transition Year students all attended LinkedIn as part of the Junior Achievement Programme..



We bid a fond farewell to our 6th year students at their graduation service celebrated by Fr. Melvyn.



Third Year JCSP students had their graduation ceremony on May 25th with Ms. Casey. It was a celebration of three years hard work.



Our 3rd year CFES scholars had many engagements with their past-pupil mentors. Above we can see them completing their Mock college applications.



Geography Field Trips

First year students went on a Geography expedition to Howth on April 19th to get a taste of Dublin's rugged coastline and appreciate its features. The 72 students, accompanied by their Geography teachers travelled by bus and Dart to the north Dublin peninsula. As part of their tour they walked both the east and west piers, did a land use survey, saw the marina and the trawlers docked there.

It wasn't all work, though, there was time for a picnic too. The weather kindly obliged in making the day a terrific success.

Meanwhile on Thursday 5th May, all 2nd years visited Dunmore caves in Co Kilkenny with their geography teachers. They descended over 700 steps beneath the ground (pictured left) to view the magnificent Stalagmites, stalactites and pillars formed from calcite.

DARKNESS INTO LIGHT



Students with Ms. Ryan and Ms. Nolan, full of smiles as Saturday dawns following their Darkness into Light Walk.

On Saturday morning 7th May Ms Ryan and Ms Nolan along with 50 students and parents took part in the annual Darkness into Light walk in aid of Pieta House. It was an early start for everyone as they gathered with thousands of others in the Phoenix Park at 4.15am to walk out of the dark and into the light. We are so proud of these students for taking part in this important event and who raised €510 for this very worthwhile cause. It was a very enjoyable morning and a great event to be a part of.

SPORT



ORIENTEERING

On Wednesday, 4th May, twenty-four students from Crumlin joined with over 250 other Loreto students for a fun day of orienteering in the scenic grounds of Malahide Castle.

The girls ran the course, maps in hand and then enjoyed a well deserved lunch break in the sun. Well done to everyone who proudly participated.



Members of the Orienteering Team in Malahide Castle.

SPORTS SHORTS

Our U-19 Football team played their Leinster Final on May 17th, losing 2-0 to St. Killians German School. The girls played brilliantly and were unlucky to come off second best

On 14th May, 24 students from 1st to 5th Year proudly represented their school in the Loreto Athletics Competition in Santry

Our U-14 Camogie Team played Mount Sackville School in their Dublin Final on 6th May. The team have put in spirited performances throughout the year, getting them to the final and although the result on this occasion was disappointing this time, the performance and effort was yet again one of which to be proud.