

Form 5 Play
Bugsy Malone:
The Musical

WW1 Trip to
Belgium, WW1
Memorial Screen

Habitat for Humanity
travels to Malawi to
build a house

TEDx at The High
School brings a host of
inspirational speakers

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Semi-Final League

Captain and Vice-Captain

Leinster U19 Team

Girls' Ireland U18 7s

Selection

Hockey

Senior Girls Leinster

Premier League

Victory

Boys U13

Leinster League

Champions

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with Scott Gillanders
Squash Star Player
and
Trooper Charlie
HSD Rock Band

Past Pupils' Union

News and Events

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Anniversary

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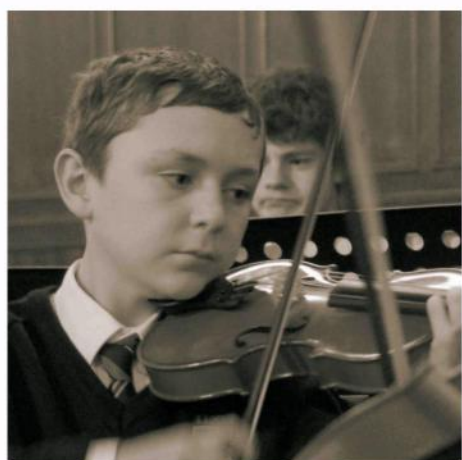
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EDITORIAL

In the lead up to writing this editorial, I read many of the past editors' ones and found that they all included interesting quotes, profound thoughts and a general awareness of the world around them. I suspect these people were all very intelligent and I am currently quaking in my boots trying to write something which I am almost certain none of you will read. Let's face it, the yearbook is mostly used for embarrassing your old school friends in future years.

However, I think that it stands for more than that. Somehow this strange collection of photographs, interviews, and reports is a key. Five years into my time here in The High School, I already need that key. I can look back to my first yearbook and find my memories unlocked, and although I only really glance at a page, I have gained something from it. That something is a reminder.

In secondary school, we go from being children to being adults, or nearly adults at any rate. This involves a lot of changing, and probably our personalities are moulded so rapidly in these six years that we have been a hundred different people by the time we leave. The yearbook allows us to see these personalities as frozen moments on glossy paper which to me is hugely important. In years to come I will continue to grow and change but I will always be able to look back and see what I have come from, I will always be able to remember how it feels to be twelve years old. I will always know that once I was young and foolish, once I felt the need to hide who I was, and once I thought it was cool not to like One Direction.

To make good decisions in life you need to know yourself, past and present, to guess what you will want in the future, and while some people know without checking, some

might not, and so I offer this yearbook not to you, but to your future, as a reminder of what you have come from. You may of course embarrass your friends with it too.

This yearbook wouldn't have come into being without the help of countless individuals, so I'd like to briefly thank all those involved from the bottom of my heart for being forthcoming, sensible and kind in all your help. Huge thanks go to our top dog, Ms Galligan, for taking a group of headless chickens and giving them the right directions. The team this year has had an interesting dynamic and a lot of banter, and they've made me so glad I took part.

I now love One Direction and will dance like a weirdo if their songs come on at a party.

Ilona Adams (5LC)

Acknowledgements

Welcome to the 2014-15 issue of the Erasmian and Diocesan Times. This year's theme is 40 to celebrate forty years of the amalgamation of The High School with the Diocesan School for Girls.

I would like to thank my editorial team of Form 5 pupils - Ilona Adams, Amy Byrne, Clodagh Curran, Sophie Harrison, Kate Hunter Hanley, Alannah O'Reilly, Orla Perdue and Jack Scollard. Many other pupils have helped us along the way with captioning and writing - Jennifer Cody, Katherine Landy, Catherine Neenan, Katie O'Connor and Michaela Rynne.

Thanks also go out to the many staff members that have contributed to this issue through their writing of articles, submission of photographs and partaking in interviews. Thanks particularly to Mr Carolan for taking the majority of photographs you will see throughout this issue; Ms Burrowes for her contributions on HSD War Stories and the many exciting events that she and her colleagues in the

English Department arranged throughout the year; Mrs King for her wonderful work in the Library; the Sports department for their huge contribution of sports reports and photographs; the office staff, Ms P Wiggle, Ms D Shaw, Ms J Smith and Ms J Sadlier for tolerating our endless requests for lists, captions and phone numbers; and to all staff for creating an environment for pupils to get involved in the numerous events and trips that you will read about in this issue. Thank you to Mr A Phelan for working with me again on the huge annual project that is The Erasmian and Diocesan Times. Thanks for your patience!

We have also received many entries from outside the school. Thanks to the PPU and Parents' Association for contributions.

Ms B Galligan



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

MR G A FORREST, MA, QTS

NATIONAL DEVELOPMENTS

The national agenda in this period has been dominated by protracted negotiations regarding pay and conditions, the impact of industrial action, as well as the introduction of a series of legislative and policy initiatives. The impact of these developments, combined with the ongoing effect of reductions in state funding, continued to have consequences for the post-primary education sector in 2013-14. A change of political leadership at the Department of Education and Skills (DES) may have further implications for those concerned with education and will be monitored with interest during the lifetime of the current Government.

It has become commonplace to describe the experience of working in the education sector in recent years as an ongoing struggle to absorb the impact of declining investment, the withdrawal of support services, and the deprivation of management functions. The simultaneous introduction of significant and substantial reform to the curriculum in the shape of the Literacy and Numeracy strategy, a radically revised Junior Cycle, and the introduction of the School Self Evaluation programme has compounded the range of difficulties which will be faced by every post-primary school in the country between now and 2020 at the earliest.

The High School has always been prepared to embrace change and champion progressive initiatives as part of its determined pursuit of excellence in education since this institution was established in 1870. However, it is equally clear that the capacity of our school (alongside others operating in the voluntary sector) to implement the agenda outlined by the Government has already been compromised by the systematic withdrawal of vital support, notably an effective moratorium on the appointment of In School Management posts, a reduction in Special Education Needs hours, and the imposition of the Haddington Road Agreement (HRA). The moratorium on the appointment of In School Management

posts - that is Assistant Principals and Special Duties Teachers - has been slightly alleviated, but no provision was made for the replacement of Special Duties Teachers so that when one of those posts becomes vacant due to promotion, career break, or the teacher leaving the school a replacement is not permitted.

The Government began this period with an attempt to negotiate an extension to the Croke Park agreement covering pay and pensions in the public sector which targeted €300 million of savings in 2013-14. In the first instance a combination of salary cuts, increased working hours, and pay freezes emerged as the main features of a three-year agreement which would remain in place until June 2016. In the education sector supervision and substitution payments for teachers costing €127 million per annum were identified as an additional area for significant reductions and possible abolition. The trade union movement, including those representing members in the post-primary schools, rejected the proposals resulting in a threat by the Government to legislate for pay cuts in the absence of agreement.

The impasse resulted in the post-primary trade unions balloting members on the possibility of industrial action in co-ordinated action to take effect at the



beginning of the academic year prompting the intervention of the Labour Relations Commission (LRC) which attempted to mediate between the Government and the trade unions. A successor to the Croke Park II deal – formally known as the Haddington Road Agreement (HRA) – containing the recommendations of the LRC was published in attempt to resolve the dispute. However, the unions rejected the HRA proposals resulting in the publication of legislation by the Government under the Financial Measures in the Public Interest Bill (FEMPI) which would allow for the pay and pension cuts to take effect. The consequence for post-primary schools was that the Autumn term was disrupted by industrial action prior to the formal adoption of the HRA proposals by all parties which resulted in revised pay arrangements as well as new arrangements for substitution and supervision cover.

In addition to these measures the Government proposed to further limit the autonomy of post-primary schools by introducing two separate but associated pieces of legislation. The proposal to amend Section 7.3 (c) of the Equal Status Act along with Section 37 of the Employment Equality Act would restrict the capacity of voluntary schools in Ireland from employing staff who are in sympathy with the ethos of their patron bodies. The Education (Admissions to Schools) Bill 2014 will prevent voluntary schools from giving pupils in their own communities priority for admission over any other applicants. It is not surprising that patron bodies and



school leaders have expressed serious concern about the practical implications of enforcing this legislation if enacted as proposed. In contrast the introduction of a national plan by the DES to tackle bullying and cyberbullying in schools - along with other policy initiatives with a pastoral focus - were widely welcomed by school leaders. The Action Plan on Bullying set out 12 clear measures which focus on how to prevent and tackle bullying. The DES has required that new procedures for addressing the issue of bullying should be adopted at Board level by all schools in the country.

It was fortunate that the education budget escaped the most-feared cuts in Budget 2014. The outgoing Minister for Education and Skills, Ruairí Quinn, announced that up to 500 additional teachers would be recruited in second-level schools in 2014 due to increased numbers of pupils and to provide more resource teachers for special educational needs. There was no change in the Pupil-Teacher Ratio (PTR) but a glaring discrepancy exists between schools in the Free Scheme (19:1) and fee-charging schools (23:1) which remains to be addressed in future. It would appear that funding for the key initiatives in reforming the education sector – namely, the Literacy and Numeracy Strategy, Junior

Cycle reform, and School Self-Evaluation - has been secured in the short term. However, it is equally significant to note that the incoming Minister for Education and Skills, Jan O'Sullivan, requested €500 million from the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform to meet the needs of a burgeoning sector in the negotiations preceding Budget 2015 – in the end the DES was allocated a mere 12% of that figure. It is clear that it will be necessary to review this level of funding if reforms to the post-primary education sector desired the current Government are to be achieved.

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENTS

The inspectorate has carried out a number of inspections and evaluations in the school in the areas of management, planning, curriculum, guidance, learning support, Irish, Physics, Science, French, English, German, Technical Graphics, Design & Communication Graphics, Business, and Physical Education. The reports of the inspectors have been overwhelmingly complimentary in all areas. Great credit is due to the staff of the school for maintaining excellent standards across the curriculum. The most recent inspection reports are published on the Department of Education and Skills website.

The work of the committees of the Board of Governors is a vital part of the long term planning processes undertaken in the school. Staff and parents are represented on all Board sub-committees and make valuable contributions to the work of the Management Committee, Finance Committee, Education Committee, Grounds and Property Committee, and Sports Committee. There is so much work undertaken by the Board committees that

it can not be listed here, but examples are the ongoing refurbishment and buildings development work undertaken by the Grounds and Property Committee and the revision of school policies guided by the Education Committee.

The Student Council is a very valuable body which is directly elected by all of the pupils, conducts its own meetings, and then meets with the school management and staff representatives in order to ensure that pupils have the opportunity to contribute to school planning and processes.

The Guidance Department is staffed by two qualified guidance counsellors. Guidance is a process which begins before the pupils enter the school with a visit by a Guidance Counsellor to the feeder primary schools and a talk for incoming parents. All pupils in Form 1 are interviewed and assisted with their transition to secondary school. Guidance continues with a course in Forms 4 and 5 and individual career interviews with the guidance counsellor for pupils in Form 6. Pupils in Form 5 also have individual interviews with another member of staff to focus their attention on preparation for third level applications. Form 4 pupils undertake differential aptitude tests and interest inventories to assist them to make subject choices for the Leaving Certificate. They also study the operation of third level education and the opportunities available. Pupils are encouraged to begin thinking about potential career areas, to use work experience as a time to focus on future



pathways, to consider possible college applications and to prepare accordingly. Pupils in Form 5 attend a variety of career talks held in the school, carry out a career project, visit the UCD open day, and familiarise themselves with relevant college websites and career-related computer programs such as Qualifax. Pupils are also advised on curriculum vitae, job applications, and interview technique. We are grateful to the Parents' Association for its assistance with the organisation of a mock interview evening. A study techniques course is organised for Form 5. Form 6 pupils have the opportunity to attend the Higher Options Career Exhibition, the TCD open day, as well as selecting other college open days of particular interest to individuals. For the parents of Form 6 pupils there is an evening set aside in December where applications systems for all colleges are explained. The Guidance Counsellors are available to parents and pupils for career and psychological advice by prior appointment.

The contribution of the Parents' Association to the school is greatly appreciated. We are fortunate to have one of the most active associations of any school in the country. Members now (among other things) assist the Guidance Department with mock interviews, hold talks on suitable topics with visiting speakers, facilitate the parties which are held to celebrate the graduation of Form 6 and the receipt of Junior Certificate results by Form 4, organise the parent-teacher meetings in Forms 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6, meet with the Principal and Chairman of the Board to discuss school policies, organise

evening meetings for parents on educational themes, fund some of the prizes as well as grants for foreign exchanges, and represent the parents on all Board committees and sub-committees. This work brings the parents, pupils, and staff closer together and such a vibrant and enthusiastic association is a testament to the strong ongoing support for the school among parents. We record our thanks to all committee members for their hard work and in particular to Mr Peter Smyth for his dedication during his term of office as President.

The school is most grateful to the Past Pupils' Union for its continued support. Although much of this work is unseen it is greatly appreciated by all concerned. An online network exists on the school website at www.highschoolublin.com so that past pupils can register their e-mail addresses by year of graduation, thus keeping in touch with their peers and enabling the school to keep in touch with them.

STAFF

The appointment of Ms L J Packham and Mrs N M Wilson to the positions of Deputy Principal (Pastoral) and Deputy Principal (Academic) was announced in July. The new appointees will work alongside the existing Deputy Principal, Mr R J Davies, as part of an expanded Senior Management Team at The High School. Ms Packham

was educated at Alexandra College, Dublin and Trinity College, Dublin. She holds an MSc in Educational Management and worked as a pastoral specialist prior to her appointment. Mrs Wilson was educated at Belfast Royal Academy and the universities of Ulster and Cambridge. She holds an MEd in Educational Research, the UK National Professional Qualification for Senior Leadership (NPQSL), and worked as an academic specialist prior to her appointment. We welcome Ms Packham and Mrs Wilson to the staff of The High School and wish them every success in their appointments.

We also welcome the following new staff to The High School - Mr Barrett, Music; Ms Coates, Religious Education; Ms Dixon, Science and Biology; Ms Douglas, Mathematics and Science; Ms Duggan, Irish; Mrs Ennis, French; Mr Hanan, Art; Ms McCabe, Irish; Mr Middleton, Technical Subjects; Mr Milofsky, Classical Studies; Mr Power, Mathematics; Mrs Rigney, Mathematics; and Ms Rogers, Art. It has been a pleasure to welcome Mrs J Wilson back to The High School in a full-time capacity following a period of maternity leave. Mr P Irwin is on secondment; Ms C Reilly, Mr P McCaughey, Ms N Boyce, Ms J Waugh, Ms C Goulding, Ms Walker, and Dr Budd are on career break; Ms M Hearne is on parental leave; and Ms S Toolan is on maternity leave.



Mrs C McCartney and Mr C Cryan retired with effect from August 2014; Mr O Wardell resigned from his teaching position to pursue further studies. We thank them for their excellent service over many years and wish them all the best for the future.

Mrs C McCartney was appointed as a teacher of Mathematics at The High School in 1976. A specialist teacher with a strong commitment to achieving the highest standards in the subject Mrs McCartney developed and sustained academic excellence in the field of Mathematics at The High School throughout her career. She was appointed a Special Duties Teacher with responsibility for punctuality in 1997 and served in this capacity as Assistant Principal from 2004 to 2014.

Mr C Cryan was appointed as a teacher of Woodwork at The High School in 1978. A strong advocate of the the educational benefits associated with the Technical Subjects Mr Cryan was central to the development of facilities to allow standards of excellence in the fields of Construction Studies, Design and Communications Graphics, Materials Technology Wood, and Technical Graphics to flourish at The High School. He was appointed a Special Duties Teacher with responsibility as subject co-ordinator in 1998 and served in this capacity (as well as co-ordinating adventure sports) as Assistant Principal from 2005 to 2014.



NUMBERS AND EXAMINATIONS

The number of pupils enrolled in the school for the academic year 2013-14 was 766.

In the Leaving Certificate 2014 examination, 124 pupils presented 875 papers in 25 subjects. 686 papers were taken at higher level and grade C or better was obtained in 88% of these. Grade E or less was obtained on 0.8% of all papers. The percentage of grade C or better on higher papers as a percentage of the grand total of all papers was 69%. This was an exceptional level of performance which equalled and exceeded previous records at The High School.

In the Junior Certificate 2014 examination, 136 pupils presented 1228 papers where different levels are available and 136 papers at common level (CSPE). 944 papers were taken at higher level and grade C or better was obtained in 83% of these. Grade E or less was obtained on 2.75% of all papers. The percentage of papers gaining a grade



C or better at higher level as a percentage of the total number of papers was 64%. These statistics represent a very good level of performance.

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

The multitudinous events and activities of the school are reported weekly in our school newsletter, on the school website at www.highschoolublin.com, and in our yearbook, The Erasmian and Diocesan Times, an excellent publication designed by Mr A Phelan, produced by the pupils of Form 5, and coordinated by Ms B Galligan in 2013-14. I should like to thank all members of staff who are involved with extra-curricular activities for providing such enriching opportunities for the pupils of the school. It is always a pleasure to congratulate the pupils on their involvement and success in such a wide variety of different activities.

2014-15

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Ms R Galligan, Ms A Horan, Ms A Rugg,
Mr R Walker

Form 2

Year Head: Mr R Giles

Form Teachers: Ms N Fallon,
Ms S Jones, Mr C Rankin, Ms C Rellis,
Ms M White

Form 3

Year Head: Ms A Parle

Form Teachers: Ms B Bourke,
Ms E Roullet, Ms S Toolan (Ms S Garnett),
Mrs J Wilson

Form 4

Year Head: Mr A Malin

Form Teachers: Mr C Flynn,
Ms C Goulding (Ms A Bennett),
Mrs S Hutchinson-Edgar, Mr E Keegan

Form 5

Year Head: Dr C Whitford

Form Teachers: Mr L Carolan,
Mr R Hilliard, Mr T Power, Ms L Rigney,
Ms D Thorp, Mr I Wilkinson

Form 6

Year Head: Mr T Gill

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Ms C Walker (Ms E Hilliard)

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Mr L Carolan, Mr A Malin

Canoeing: Mr L Carolan, Mrs J Wilson

Cricket: Mr A Malin, Mr R Walker, Mr T Gill,

Mr P Fitzpatrick, Mr B McNamara,

Mr R Giles

Cross country: Mrs S Hutchinson-Edgar,

Ms N Fallon, Mrs S Ennis

Hillwalking: Mr C Flynn, Ms A Horan,

Ms R McDonnell, Mr B McNamara,

Ms C Rellis

Hockey: Ms S Jones, Ms A Bennett,

Ms N Douglas, Ms A Rugg, Ms S Gray,

Ms J Condell, Mr P Fitzpatrick, Mr D Miller,

Mr I Wilkinson, Mr E Keegan

Rock climbing: Mr C Flynn

Rugby: Mr R Walker, Mr A Malin,

Mr R Hanan, Mr B Kinsella,

Mr B McNamara, Mr L McBride,

Mr T Power, Mr T Gill, Mr B Sheehan,

Mr K Clarke, Mr R Sullivan

Swimming: Mr A Malin, Ms S Jones

Table-tennis: Mr L Carolan

Tennis: Ms S Jones, Mr S McDonnell,

Mr C Flynn, Ms N Douglas, Mr M Critchley

Additional part-time staff are employed in
other sports

Other

Responsibilities

Administrative Assistant to the

Deputy Principal: Mr I Wilkinson

Art Portfolio Club: Ms H Killane

(Ms K Rogers)

Assembly Co-ordinator:

Mrs S Hutchinson-Edgar

CAO/UCAS applications: Ms R McDonnell,
Mr K Clarke

Chess Club: Mr M Griffin

Choir: Ms B Bourke

Christian Union: Mr I Wilkinson,

Mr L Carolan

Debating: Mrs S Hutchinson-Edgar

(Senior), Ms E Hilliard (Junior)

Detention System: Mr J O'Brien

Drama: Ms B Galligan, Ms M Browne,

Mr J Milofsky

Enterprise Education: Mr P Fitzpatrick

Erasmian and Diocesan Times:

Ms B Galligan

European Youth Parliament: Ms C Rellis

European Studies Information Exchanges:

Mr P Irwin

Examination Organisation: Mr I Wilkinson,

Mr B McNamara

Film Club: Ms R Lyons

Green Schools Group: Mr K Barry,

Dr L Stuart

Guidance Counsellors: Ms R McDonnell,

Mr K Clarke

Induction of New Staff: Ms P Bergin

Literacy Co-ordinator: Ms R Missen

Lockers: Ms G Fitzgerald

Lost Property: Ms S Quinn

Model United Nations: Ms C Rellis

Numeracy Co-ordinator: Mr I Wilkinson

Orchestra: Ms M White

Photographic Club: Ms H Killane

(Ms K Rogers)

Photography of School Activities,

Publicity: Ms H Killane (Mr L Carolan)

President's Award: Mr D Miller,

Mr B McNamara, Ms R Missen

Prize System: Ms D Thorp

Punctuality: Ms L Packham

Scholarship Examinations: Ms A Stevenson

School Council: Mrs S Hutchinson-Edgar

Science Club/Young Scientist:

Dr C Whitford

Support for Learning Co-ordinator:

Mrs V Humphreys

Staff Services: Ms A Stevenson

State Examinations: Mr P Prendergast

Stationery: Ms E Roullet

Study Skills Seminar: Ms R McDonnell,

Mr K Clarke

Timetable: Mr R Davies

Transition Year Co-ordinator: Mr P Irwin

(Mrs S Hutchinson-Edgar)

Trophies: Mr R Walker

**1G**

BACK ROW: CORMAC HARBART, ADAM KILLEEN, CHRISTIAN O'MEARA, CAMILLA ANELE, ALEX CRIMMINS, THOMAS KELLY, EABHA HUGHES.

MIDDLE ROW: AMY BOYD, ISABEL O'DONOVAN, JORDAN BAILEY, JAKE HICKEY, ISOBEL HARRISON, PATRICK RYAN.

FRONT ROW: EVA VALENTINE, MAX WRIGHT, BENJAMIN SISSON, JOSEPH MURPHY, EVA MAHON, SAMUEL DUNNE.

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BACK ROW: LORCANTWOMEY, ROSS HOWARD, JACK BURKE, DENNIS CHAN, MARCO LYONS, AELA MAHON, KATIE LARKIN.

MIDDLE ROW: LIAM IRWIN, MIA MURPHY, DANIEL WALSH, JACOB CULLINGTON, CLARA LEE, LUCY BRENNAN, LEONARD IDIAKHOA.

FRONT ROW: DANIEL GUASTALLA, ALISON LANDY, NATHAN HUTCHINSON-EDGAR, FRANÇOIS LOOSE, KATIE-MARIE O'BRIEN, RUTH NINAN.



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BACK ROW: CAMERON MACKEOGH, FAITH EDUNPETERS, GAVIN MULHERE, MAX ROSS, ANNA LYONS, MORGAN PEMBROKE, ROSIE GILLIS.

MIDDLE ROW: ORLA PRENDERGAST, ALARA TOBIN, CUÁN YOUNG, DARREN CHONG, CHLOE HOLMES, ALISON DALY, BEN HOPKINS, ENYA MAK.

FRONT ROW: NATHAN TIMMINS, CIAN NUGENT, THOMAS COSTELLO, ALANAH CRIPPS, EVAN JENNINGS, GIULIA GUASTALLA.



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BACK ROW: DEBBIE OGUNKAYODE, CONOR SCHMIDT, JODIE MCAVINUE, HARRY LYNCH, LAURA TUIE, JACK FARRELLY, ADAM MAGUIRE.

MIDDLE ROW: SARAH WEBB, BEN SHAW, ISABEL DUNNE, SOPHIA HARTUNG, KARO OTOBO, SEAN MULLEN.

FRONT ROW: EMILY CLINCH, DANIEL SNODGRASS, JAMES LE BAS, ALEX O'CONNOR, LOUIS ROSNEY, SOL BELL-MEGAW.

**1W**

BACK ROW: JOEY CHONG, JENNIFER PILLOW, HEATHER O'CONNOR, JAMES CODY, KATIE O'BRIEN, PATRICK TALLO, CAOIMHE MILTON.

MIDDLE ROW: SHAAM MALLAK, SADHBH MILTON, LOUIS CHRISTLE, SARAH DALY, GRÁINNE LYNCH, JAMES O'CONNOR, SIOBHÁN TRIMMER, TOMMY MYLES.

FRONT ROW: RORY COSGROVE, JOSHUA LLOYD, MARTIN HANCZ, DEBBIE ODUNTAN, ALEX JACKSON, AREEJ AL RIYAMI.

**2F**

BACK ROW: DAISY O'TOOLE, JAMES BOYD, ELIAS DEMPSEY, MATTHEW KAYE MELLOR, HARRY O'DONNELL, DAVE SAMSON.

MIDDLE ROW: FINN CONNOLLY, RIAN MOODLIAR WALSH, SHONA CAREY, MILES DIXON, JACK HEALY, KATIE MOORE, AMY DUNNE, ISABELLE CARTER.

FRONT ROW: MIA COMERFORD-MCKENNA, CONOR FAGAN, SOPHIE GILMER, WILSON KO, MOLLY SHERIDAN, THOMAS MCCAUSLAND.



2J

BACK ROW: HANNAH VANCE CRONIN, HOLLY PERDUE, MATTHEW BROWNE GARCIA, NAOISE MAY, ERIN FETHERSTON, CORMAC DEMPSEY-LERCHUNDI.

MIDDLE ROW: EVAN MILLER, ROSEANNE MCCULLOUGH, ALISTAIR EMPEY, DYLAN ROYCROFT, BEN CRIPPS, TOM WEBB.

FRONT ROW: FINN O'SULLIVAN, GEORGINA SCANLON, ÁINE RYAN, ADITYA GATT, ADAM VAUGHAN, ANDREW CANNING.

ABSENT: SCOTT GILLANDERS.



2RL

BACK ROW: LUAN ROGERS, SOL WYNNE, EVA KENNA, NIAL LYNCH, JEM CAMPION, TIMOTHY SWEENEY.

MIDDLE ROW: SAM DALY, OISIN HEALY, AILEEN NAGLE, ODHRÁN DIXON, LAURA MOTYER.

FRONT ROW: HARRY BYRNE, ESTHER ODEKUNLE, JAMES COLE, TESSA LONG, REBECCA O'FARRELL, LEAH MERRIMAN.



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*BACK ROW: JAMES COMAN, ROBERT WHYTE, ALEX ASPIL, MATTHEW THOMPSON, CALUM ADAIR, SIOFRA O'BRIEN.
MIDDLE ROW: MEGAN HUDDLESTON, ANNA MC KIM, ASIER KELLY, ESME WALLER, DANIEL RUFLI, ERICA MACARI, ANNA PHELAN.
FRONT ROW: ERIC FELLE, FERDIA DARRAGH, SHAUNA POWER, RACHEL DONOVAN, NAIA BYRNE PAREDES, HENRY HINDS.*



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*BACK ROW: SOFI GRANT, ROBERT BEARDSLEY, SEAN ÓG BARNES, NIAL MC DONNELL, OISÍN COTTER VASQUEZ, ORIANNA DAVEY.
MIDDLE ROW: MEGAN RANCE, AMY SCOLLARD, THOMAS GARLAND, SHANE DAMBAZA, AXEL CULLEN.
FRONT ROW: WOLF CHUNG, FIACH CONNOLLY, CAITRÍONA BRENNAN, ELLEN TREACY MCGEE, CAITLIN NICKELS, MOLLY O'SHEA.*



3C

BACK ROW: EUAN LEITH, OLLY O'TOOLE, MORGAN KANE O'BRIEN, SAM COSGROVE, WILLIAM COSGRAVE, MATTHEW BARLOW, ALEX O'REGAN, SHAUN DAMBAZA.

MIDDLE ROW: LUKE SHERWOOD, ELLIE BURKE, ÓRLA BYRNE, MAX O'DONNELL, CAROLINE RYAN, ADAM LALOR, ANNA BISMILLA, GIANLUCA LYONS, MILA RADULOVIC STAINES, OSCAR HIGGINS.

FRONT ROW: ELLEN RAFFERTY, MATTHEW WALLACE, EVAN BAILEY, ZARA NAUGHTON, OLIVIA CUNNINGHAM, SAIDHBHE O'BRIEN, SARAH MORLEY, HOLLY GREENE.

ABSENT: CAOIMHE SHANLEY-MEE.



3P

BACK ROW: JASON MCGRATH, CIAN HOBAN, JAMES SHAW, KATIE BOLAND, SAMUEL KENNY, SIOBHÁN CHINENYANGA, HARIS WEBSTER, HARRY BYRNE, ANCA AVASILICHIOAIEI.

MIDDLE ROW: ADAM BYRNE, CAOIMHE BARRY CORR, ISOBEL MAHON, TAMI ADEDUNTAN, KATARINA CVETKOVIC, LUKE DIGGINS, SASKIA BOS, CIARA SHAW, KERRY-ANNE TIMMINS, JAKE FARRELL.

FRONT ROW: KEISHA O'BRIEN, GRACE CAMPBELL, NIKOLAI LEAKE, STEPHEN LANDY, BEN DOYLE, DAISY RYAN, JAKE KENNEDY, SAORSE KENNEDY.

ABSENT: LAURA GALVIN, JULIA VATALEVA.



3R

BACK ROW: GERARD COLMAN, JACK PILLOW, PATRICK GANNON, HARRY WALSH, LORIS NIKOLOB, EMMETT MCDONAGH FOX, JAKE RICHARDSON, ROSS SAMSON.

MIDDLE ROW: LAURA CLINCH, SADBH ROHU, ISOBELLA GILMER, ALISON JONES, JAMES CARTER, JAIME KNOX MCLEOD, LUCY COLMAN BLACK, ADAM KEALY, RUBY STEIN.

FRONT ROW: NATHAN SHAW, ALICE BURLEIGH, KITTY WALSH-DIGNAM, KATE MORGAN-LAWSON, ALEX KINCH, SOPHIE RYAN FORREST, ELLA SQUIRE, MICHAEL GUASTALLA.



3T

BACK ROW: PETER O'LEARY, JAMES METOUDI, AURYN MAHON, DARRAGH O'REILLY, ALEXANDER CHAMBERS, BEN CHALONER, PETER LYNCH, ANDREW CLOUGHLEY.

MIDDLE ROW: REBECCA JONES, SITTHA BAILEY, ALEXANDER LIN, DANIEL FAGAN, ELLEN RIDGEWAY, ZACK RAFTER, AOIFE LYNCH.

FRONT ROW: RACHEL WEBSTER, KAARUNYA GURUSAMY, OISÍN Ó CONBHUÍ, WILLIAM ANDERSON, MALIKA KOLA-CAHILL, ELLA CONNOLLY, MIRIAM KELLY.



3W

BACK ROW: KYLE BURKE, JAMIE KAPDAN, EDWARD MEREDITH, JAMES KINSELLA, JUDE LYSAGHT, ADAM O'ROURKE, FIACHRA DE HORA, CALUM GILLIS.

MIDDLE ROW: FIELDS CHUNG, MELINA O'MEARA, ZAK COGHLAN, ALEX FLYNN, HARRY MOLONEY, JASON MULLEN, MARTIN KELLY, DARRAGH QUINN.

FRONT ROW: MUNACHI ANELE, SOPHIE-ANN CHISHOLM, CATHERINE BOYD, TOM MURRAY, MILLY COGHLAN, GRACE GAGEBY, ALANNA BARRY-CULLEN, AVERY ANGLE.



4B

BACK ROW: SINÉAD DUNNE, DAVID JAMES DONNELLY, HARRY KING, JACK O'GORMAN, SAM KILLEEN, BEN HARRINGTON, RONALDO PERSECHINI, LIONEL DEVERELL.

MIDDLE ROW: ROBERT MCLAUGHLIN, JAMIE GLEESON-DUNNE, JACK MCKENNA, AELA O'FLYNN, EMILY, SMARTT, ELLEN TUCKER, MARK DEERING, DANIEL CURRAN.

FRONT ROW: FIONNUALA MULLEN, GEORGIA GRANT, GRÁINNE DOWLING, AOIFE MCBRIDE, JOE BYRNE, CAMILLE CHRISTLE, YULIYA MIKULCHYK, KATE O'SHEA.

**4F**

BACK ROW: SAM DUFFY, CRAIG WHELAN, JAMES DOOLEY, JACK IREDALE, MILO O'SULLIVAN, DAVID DUNLEAVY, MICHAEL SHEEHAN.

MIDDLE ROW: ELLEN JACKSON, EOIN LYNCH, ULTAN MAGUIRE, RHYS BUTLER, HARRY CRIPPS, ROBERT HACKETT, BEN MOHAN.

FRONT ROW: ANNIE BRENNAN, JESSICA SMITH, KATIE WYSE-JACKSON, LAUREN STYLES, EMMA FETHERSTON, AISLING KING SWORDS, JOSEPH PRENDERGAST.

**4HE**

BACK ROW: EOIN SCARLETT, JEREMY COTTER VAZQUEZ, MICHAEL GOLDEN, SEAMAS BRACKEN, NAOISE LAW, ULTAN DOHERTY O'BRIEN, LUKE WALKER, ROSS MACWILLIAM.

MIDDLE ROW: AISHA TUOHY, TIMMY CHUNG, EOIN FLYNN, MARK TOBIN, JACK LYONS, MEGAN O'DONNELL, MELANIE O'DONOVAN, PATRICK O'REILLY, BEN QUIREY.

FRONT ROW: ANGELA TANG, ELIZABETH BOYD, ABIGAIL NOLAN, ELLEN GALVIN, CATHERINE HARRIS, MIA JENNINGS, NATALIE KO, DEARBHLA FORDE MORRIN.



4K

BACK ROW: KATY WEAVER, TIMOTHY KAYE MELLOR, DILLON STURDY, OLIVER MCLUSKIE, RONAN O'BYRNE, PHILIP MOTYER, ANDREW BRENNAN, TIM DOLAN.

MIDDLE ROW: SOPHIE HAYES, SHANE KELLY, COLM COWLARD-JOYCE, SAM WRIGHT, SARAH MULLOOLY, CONOR O'RÁIN, CONNOR ISOM, ELLIOT MILOFSKY, KELLIE COMERFORD.

FRONT ROW: JOY SHERWOOD, CIA MCELVEEN-WALSH, JOSHUA ROSNEY, REBECCA FOX, WILLOW BREEN, NICOLA MERRIMAN, RUBY KEATING LEVINS, ELLA SCHMIDT.



4M

BACK ROW: SHANE O'REILLY, ADAM RUFLI, TOM MOLONY, JAMES ANDERSON, DAVID DONNELLY, JACK LAYCOCK, ROBERT CLAVIN, ELLIOT WRIGHT.

MIDDLE ROW: SIAN BOLGER, KYLA O'DWYER, ALEXANDER DURAC, CONOR EMPEY, MEGAN O'BRIEN, KEVIN FLAHERTY, HARRY MCDONNELL.

FRONT ROW: RHIANNA YOUNG, EVA RYAN, SORCHA NÍ NÉILL, LIAM PHELAN, DAVID O'BRIEN, RACHEL FERGUSON, EMMA TAYLOR, SIVE MULLEN.

ABSENT: SEÁN BABADE, GEMMA BOVENIZER, LISA COSGROVE, SOPHIE KEATING.



5TH YEAR

BACK ROW: CONOR RYAN, JAKE FOLEY, PHILIP BRADISH, TRISTAN REYNOLDS, STEPHEN GREENE, SAM RAYNER, JONATHAN CHAMBERS, MATTHEW RIDGEWAY, CONOR SULLIVAN, STEPHEN DOYLE, ETHAN JONES, NEBOJSA CVETKOVIC, JACKSON BARRY, LUKE KEHOE-ROCHE, MARK DEACON, ROBBIE KELLEHER, JASON COSGROVE, DAVID EGAN.

7TH ROW: FERDIA O'CONNELL, CIAN LARKIN-WOULFE, CIAN DEVINE PRENDERGAST, CHARLIE O'CONNOR, EOIN FAUST, CONOR DUFFY, STEPHEN ARDILL, OISÍN MCEVOY, ANDREW PALMER, JACK SCOLLARD, KOLEMAN ANGLE, MATTHEW PEARSON, RALPH LEE, ALEXANDER KENNY, ZOE MANNING, ORLA JOHNSON, ALISTAIR RIDYARD, SEÁN KENNELLY, DANIEL KNOCKER.

6TH ROW: RORY DUFFY, DAVID GREEN, JACK BURLEIGH, OISÍN GAVIGAN, SAM MOLONEY, LOUIS HUGGARD, CHARLIE KERR, LEE TUCKER, WILL FUREY, DANIEL MURPHY, DAMI BABADE, CONOR EVANS, IFEDAYO AKINSULI, MAX CLARKE, DANIEL BROWNE, RITCHIE BURBRIDGE, SEÁN HEALY, EVAN COOPER.

5TH ROW: ANNA MAYS, AOIFE DOMICAN, ANNA FLEMING, LINDSAY BAKER-KERRIGAN, AARON HUNT, TOM FARRELLY, SARAH STAFFORD-LANGAN, BRIAN REILLY, SOFIA CLIFFORD-RIORDAN, CIAN WARREN, BILLY ILAND, RAYMOND TANG, CIAN MCCAUSLAND, DANNY REILLY, ALEX FELLE, CATHAL RYAN.

4TH ROW: SÉANA BRADY, AITANA BYRNE PAREDES, EMMA DOOLEY, AMAIA DEMPSEY LERCHUNDI, KIRSTY MEIJER, ISABEL GARLAND, TAILLIE MAY, ADAM SHAW, CHRISTINA LYNN, ELLEN DOWNEY, POLINA BORISENKO, SORCHA O'CONNELL, LANA COTTER, KATHERINE LANDY, EMMA CANNING, KATYA KOLOSKOVA, MEGAN DOYLE.

3RD ROW: SOPHIE SHEILL, KATE O'ROURKE, AMY LOGAN, JACK WHELAN, AOIFE CLOUGHLEY, ILONA ADAMS, ORLA PERDUE, LAURA MCBEAN, MEGAN CLINCH, SOPHIE HARRISON, ALANNAH O'REILLY, CATHERINE NEENAN, KATIE O'CONNOR, HANNAH MOLONY, ABBIE SHERIDAN, EMMA TRACEY, ALISON BEVERLAND.

2ND ROW: ANNA CULLEN, HANNAH BURKE, MICHAELA RYNNE, ABBEY GREENE, SIOBHÁN MURRAY, LUCY HEALY, CLARA DEVINE, AMY BYRNE, LYNN DUKE, ALISON MOONEY, KATE HUNTER-HANLEY, BUSÉ TOBIN, MAX BEVAN, AMY ROSE FORDER, AOIFE KERNAN.

FRONT ROW: JENNIFER CODY, PAIGE LEAVY, MARIA HUNSTON, MR HILLIARD, MS THORP, MR CAROLAN, MR FORREST, DR WHITFORD, MR WILKINSON, MR POWER, ORLAITH GREHAN, CLODAGH CURRAN, KIRSTY LEITH, JESSICA MILLER.

ABSENT: CIARA FAUGHNAN, ROBERT HALLISSEY, JOE KIELY-FOX, KALYAN KOLA-CAHILL, WILLIAM LE BAS, AISLING O'NEILL, BEN SCALLAN, BEN TREACY-MCGEE, STEPHEN WANN.



6TH YEAR

BACK ROW: DAVID BRUSEY, KIAN WILSON, TOM HARRIS, JOSHUA HOGG, RONAN WEBER, EOIN FEELY, DANIEL ENGLISH, DARRAGH MCDONNELL, WILLIAM O'CARROLL, MARK DALY, ADAM LUNNON-COLLERY, FELIM KELLY, JACK KILLEEN, ELLIOT CHAMBERS, DAVID ASPIL.

7TH ROW: DAVID PHELAN, JAKOB O'DONNELL, BYRON CUNNINGHAM, ANDREW JONES, FINN MASON, FIONN MCCARTHY PURCELL, DYLAN LEWIS, ZACHARY BREEN, LUKE O'BRIEN, CONOR PRENDERGAST, NEIL DUNNE, WESLEY WRIGHT, JAMES TWAMLEY, JONAH CLEGG, PATRICK MCBEAN, PETER MULLEN.

6TH ROW: KILLIAN ELWOOD, HUGH HACKETT, COLIN JACKSON, THOMAS MCNULTY, SHANE RICHARDSON, VICTOR BELL, EVAN BURROWES, CIARÁN HARRISON, RICHARD GANNON, LIAM WEITZ, STEPHEN CROSBY, ROBERT CLARKE, EDWARD BERGMAN, ANDREW COURTNEY, ROBERT DEEGAN, ALESSANDRO MACARI, TONY ZHENG.

5TH ROW: OISÍN MOODLIAR WALSH, SCOTT WALLACE, KYLE CAMPBELL, HARRY GRIFFIN, MARK PERHAM, JAMES MACKEN, ERIC KEENAN, PHILIP EMO, SÉAMAS MACLOCHLAINN, EOGHAN O'BYNRE, LUKE MURPHY, MARCELLA NIKOLOVA, ÁINE HUGHES, ALEX BUTLER, AISLING WHELAN.

4TH ROW: SAOIRSE O'DONOGHUE, NADINE BURKE, ELEANOR CONHEADY, RUTH FERGUSON, BETHANY THOMPSON, RACHAEL KAYE-MELLOR, GRACE O'MARCAIGH, LUCY BARLOW, MEGAN O'BYRNE, CHLOÉ MANAHAN, ISABELLE GERAGHTY, LEAH TUOHY, GRIFFIN GILLANDERS, JESSICA NEVILLE, EMMA O'MALLEY, ELIZABETH GAGEBY BELL.

3RD ROW: ROBERTA MCCUNE, RACHEL DELANEY, LOUISE DUKES, SHANNON YOUNG, DEARBHLA MORONEY, SAOIRSE O'MAHONY, JESSICA SMITH, MAYA DEVINE, ELLEN MULLOOLY, LUCY HOLDEN, EVA KELLY, LAURA DUNNE, ALLYN LEE, EMMA MCNEILLY.

2ND ROW: KATE SQUIRE, RÓISÍN CORMAC-O'HARA, JASMINE PICKETT, CLAIRE AUSTEN, ELLEN MCCULLOUGH, LAURA POWER, AILISH LONG, ORLAGH KEARNEY, HANEEFA CARRIM, EMILY NÍ RIAIN, ALICE DE FORGE

FRONT ROW: MR MILLER, MS FITZGERALD, MS. BURROWES, JOHNJOE IRWIN, SUSANNA WYSE JACKSON, MR GILL, MR FORREST, RÓNÁN DOWLING-CULLEN, HAYLEY BLAIR, MS MISSEN, MS HILLIARD.

ABSENT: ROBERT JONES, EVIE MCCLAFFERTY, DARRAGH BUTLER, TARA BARNES, CHARLOTTE KING, CAOILAINN FITZPATRICK.

1ST TERM

Transition Year Cultural Trip

On 23 September, 2014 at the beginning of my Transition Year my whole year and I went on a cultural trip to Cultra, Co Down. We met early in the morning at Connolly Station and spent a couple of hours on the train playing cards and chatting in our groups of four, getting excited for the day ahead. We arrived at a platform in Belfast and then hopped on another train to get to Co Down and the Cultra Museum. We went on a tour of the museum which was in the form of a village from 1800s-1900s Ireland. The

area was split into two- the rural space and the town. It was very interesting to see how past life in Ireland would have been from schools and farms to how sweet shops were run. After this, we went to the Transport Museum, where we saw all types of moving objects including buses, cars and trains. That afternoon we took two more trains home, played more cards and slept, exhausted and happy from a really enjoyable day out.

Sophie Hayes (4K)



Music at Assembly



HEAD BOY REPORT

It was near the end of the summer holidays when I arrived back from rugby pre-season and my Mum told me that the Principal's secretary, Jeanne, had called from the school about a meeting concerning the Prefects. I called back and was asked to come in for a meeting with Mr Forrest. A few days later, I received a call from Mr Forrest offering me the position of Head Boy. Of course I was honoured to be considered and, after taking a day or two to think carefully about the commitments that would be involved, was happy to accept. I was also delighted to hear that Susanna would be the Head Girl and Johnjoe and Hayley would be Deputies - I knew they would be great to work with.

This year was slightly different, as there were two new Deputy Principals, Ms Packham and Mrs Wilson, starting at the school and we were all excited to meet them. A second change, was that three of the school supervisors, Ms Garvey, Mr Egan and Ms Carty, retired midway through the year. This was a big change for the whole school and we were all very sad to see them go.

The Prefects' first job was to go in on the first Monday of term and show the First Form pupils and their parents around. We also split the First Form pupils into small groups and assigned a Prefect to each group to help them out with any issues they had during the term. Susanna and I also made up two rotas, one for cleaning the Common Room and one for Prefect duties, like ringing the Assembly bell and taking lates.

The next job for the Prefect team was to help out with the annual Prize Distribution at the school. Susanna and I greeted the Governors and the Prefects directed traffic and ushered guests to their seats. After this, we were involved in the distribution of prizes which, thanks to the brilliant organisation of Ms Thorp, passed without a hitch.

A little later in the year, Susanna and I were called upon to lay wreaths of poppies on Remembrance Day on behalf of the pupils of the school. Around that

time, Susanna found out that Childline children's charity was at risk of losing their 24 hour call service and that many people were doing a sponsored phone fast to raise money to prevent this from happening. We decided to get our year involved and managed to raise just over €500. Overall, Childline raised enough money to keep their 24 hour service, which was a relief for all of us.

By the time Advent rolled around the school was gearing up for the Carol Service. On the day, the Prefect team helped out with the collection and Susanna and I did readings in Latin and Irish, respectively.

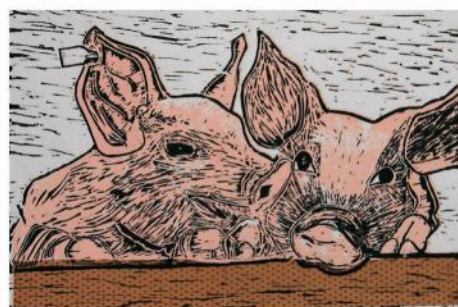
As the year came to a close, we began planning for graduation. Susanna and I had the difficult task of writing our speeches for the ceremony and delivering them on the day. Thankfully that all went well, with Mr Gill having the hall in fits of laughter by the end of his speech. Even though it was difficult at times and more time consuming than expected, I am extremely happy to have taken on the role of Head Boy. I really enjoyed my time as Head Boy and at The High School in general.

I would like to thank Mr Forrest for offering me the opportunity to be Head Boy. I would also like to thank Mr Davies, Ms Packham, Mrs Wilson and Mr Gill for all the support and guidance they have given us throughout the year. I want to thank Susanna for being a great Head Girl and the Prefect team for being fantastically helpful and easy to work with.

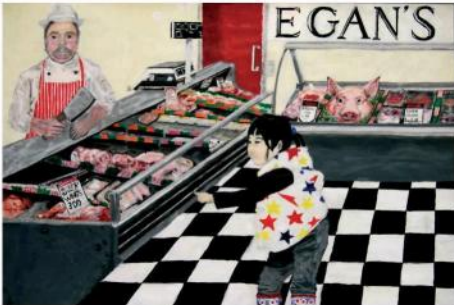
Finally, I want to thank everyone in our year. I couldn't have asked for a better group of people to have spent the past six years of my life with. Even though I am looking forward to going to college, I will miss The High School dearly and am very sad to be leaving. I want to wish next year's Head Boy and Head Girl the very best of luck, and good luck to all of Sixth Form moving on from secondary school this year!

Rónán Dowling Cullen (6RM)

JUNIOR CERT ARTWORK



HEAD GIRL REPORT



It was that infamous, nerve-wracking phone call in late August that set the ball rolling. To my great honour I had been offered the role of Head Girl and I quickly accepted the position and, of course, the numerous responsibilities and challenges that go hand in hand with the somewhat daunting job. I couldn't have been more delighted with our wonderful team of four - myself, Rónán and our two deputies Hayley and Johnjoe. First day back and we were thrown head first into a sea of cleaning rotas, Prefect duties, inquiries and the general confused shenanigans that tend to accompany the return to school. However, it wasn't long at all before we all had settled back into the comfortable rhythm of school life.

Rónán and I had the privilege of attending and taking part in a number of school events this year, including divvying out the books and meeting Governors at Prize Distribution, reading rather convoluted linguistic lessons at the Carol Service, and organising Graduation Day, along with a number of fundraisers. It was a rare day indeed when the pair of us weren't dashing around the place selling pink ribbons, collecting money for tickets or arranging various charitable bits and bobs, including a ChildLine Phone Fast in which a huge number of Form 6 took part. Committees have been a strong feature of my Sixth Form, and I've certainly been kept on my toes thanks to the Student Council, Debs Committee and the Graduation Committee. These were a wonderful way to interact with different groups of people and to make my mark, even a little bit, on the school and its students.

There are a huge number of people who have played a role in my journey here at The High School, and finding the words to thank everyone isn't an easy task. I cannot do justice to even a fraction of the people who have made my time here so memorable and special. However, I'll certainly give it a go.

Thank you to Mr Forrest and Mr Davies for their support and encouragement and of course for the opportunity to strut my stuff as Head Girl this year.

Thank you also to the entire staff and student body. It has been such a pleasure to grow with you, develop as a person and learn from you all, and the unfailing support I've received from teachers and pupils alike has been utterly incredible.

To Mr Gill - certainly the best Year Head Rónán and I could have wished for - I'm so thankful for his guidance and advice over the past year.

Mr Clarke and Ms McDonnell, our two Guidance Counsellors, have always been close at hand for wobbly moments and their support has been invaluable.

I'm incredibly grateful to our indispensable team of Prefects who made the year run so smoothly and made everything a lot easier and manageable.

Thank you to Johnjoe and Hayley, two absolute treasures who kept me on the straight and narrow and prevented me from blowing a fuse more times than I'd care to mention.

And of course an enormous thank you to Rónán, my partner in crime, always so reliable and supportive, and without whom the entire year would have been a whole heap of crazy.

It's been a thoroughly hectic year: exhausting, frustrating, utterly unbearable at times, but above all, truly, truly enjoyable and highly rewarding. I have had the honour of spending my six years at The High School in the company of the wonderfully rambunctious, ill-disciplined and ever-entertaining Class of 2015. I've also had the privilege of learning from teachers with true passion for their subjects, unfailing enthusiasm and an endless capacity for patience.

I'd like to extend my very best wishes to the Class of 2016, and most notably to next year's Head Boy and Girl - you two are well and truly capable of what's ahead. Stay positive, keep your chins up and for goodness sake have plenty of copies of the cleaning rota close at hand, those things have a convenient habit of "going missing"...

Susanna Wyse Jackson (6RM)

PREFECTS



HEAD GIRL: SUSANNA WYSE JACKSON
HEAD BOY: RÓNÁN DOWLING CULLEN
DEPUTY HEAD GIRL: HAYLEY BLAIR
DEPUTY HEAD BOY: JOHNJOE IRWIN

SCHOOL PREFECTS 2014-15 (IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER)

LUCY BARLOW, VICTOR BELL, HAYLEY BLAIR, ALEX BUTLER, HANEefa CARRIM, JONAH CLEGG, ELEANOR CONHEADY, ANDREW COURTNEY, MAYA DEVINE, RÓNÁN DOWLING CULLEN, LOUISE DUKES, LAURA DUNNE, NEIL DUNNE, KILLIAN ELWOOD, PHILIP EMO, ELIZABETH GAGEBY, ISABELLE GERAGHTY, JOHNJOE IRWIN, COLIN JACKSON, JACK KILLEEN, AILISH LONG, JAMES MACKEN, SÉAMAS MACLOCHLAINN, CHLOE MANAHAN, PATRICK MCBEAN, LUKE O'BRIEN, MEGAN O'BYRNE, AISLING O'KELLY, CONOR PRENDERGAST, RÓNÁN WEBBER, SUSANNA WYSE JACKSON, SHANNON YOUNG

MEINE REISE NACH DEUTSCHLAND

Diesen Sommer, habe ich ein Stipendium für einen Sprach- und Kulturkurs in Deutschland bekommen, weil mein Ergebnis in Deutsch im Junior Certificate gut war. Ich habe ein Interview gemacht und dann habe ich einen Platz in diesem Kurs bekommen. Am 5. Juli bin ich mit zehn anderen Iren und einer Irischen Lehrerin von Dublin nach München geflogen.

Ich habe bei einer Familie in Passau wohnt. Ich bin gut mit der Familie ausgekommen. Sie waren sehr freundlich und hilfsbereit. Zuerst habe ich ein bisschen Heimweh gehabt, aber bald habe ich mich an neue Leute und Land gewöhnt. Ich fand Passau sehr schön.

Jeden Tag bin ich mit meinen Gastgeschwistern in die Schule in Fürstentzell gegangen. Fürstentzell ist ein kleines Dorf in der Nähe von Passau. Wir haben Unterrichtsstunden mit der Irischen Lehrerin gehabt, und auch ein paar interessante Stunden mit verschiedenen

deutschen Lehrern. Wir haben Kerzen aus Bienenwachs gemacht, Boomerangs gebastelt, und wir haben Radio Aufnahmen gemacht. Manchmal bin ich auch in den Unterricht mit meinem Gastbruder, Fabian, gegangen.

Die Schule in Deutschland ist ganz anders als in Irland. Es gibt in Deutschland keine Schuluniform. Dass finde ich besser. Der Schultag beginnt viel früher als in Irland: um acht Uhr morgens! Der Schultag dauert aber nur bis eins. Alles ist auch viel lockerer in der Schule. Die Schüler reden miteinander immer während des Unterricht und die Lehrer erlauben es!

Ich habe viele Ausflüge mit den anderen Iren gemacht. Wir sind nach München gefahren- dass war sehr interessant. Wir haben den Bayerischen Wald, Regensburg und Schärding besichtigt. Ich habe viel über die Geschichte und Kultur von Bayern gelernt. Das Bayerische Essen hat mir sehr gut gefallen. Am Ende der drei Wochen

haben wir ein Abschiedsfest gehabt. Wir haben Irische und Deutsche Lieder gespielt und gesungen und viel Spaß gehabt.

Ich habe meine Zeit in Bayern genossen. Ich habe viele neue Freunde gefunden und viel gelernt. Hoffentlich werde ich in der Zukunft wieder hinfahren.

Rachel Ferguson (4M)

NEW STAFF

INTERVIEWS

Interviews by
Emma Canning (5IW), Jack Scollard (5DT)
and Katherine Landy (5IW)

MR MILOFSKY

So what subjects do you teach?

I teach Classical Studies and English but I don't teach English here.

What years do you teach?

First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth and First again.

And what's your favourite year?

I like all my years the same.

You have to pick one you don't have to pick Form 5 if you don't want, none of us do Classical Studies so we won't be offended.

Ok, I pick the cast of Bugsy Malone.

If your life was a movie which movie would it be and who would play you?

Em, I think about that a lot (*sarcastically*).

Laughing

Rocky 1, (1976) and Sylvester Stallone would play me.

What's your favourite thing about The High School?

I really like the atmosphere; it's really jolly. It's a really nice group of people working together.

And your least favourite thing?

You can only get one panini.

Is that before you have to buy it?

Yes.

So now to like a darker subject, what would your ideal punishment be?

Something that they'll learn something from, like, have you seen *The Karate Kid* with the wax on wax off? Something like that but like it still wouldn't be fun.

Who's your favourite teacher?

I love all the teachers.

But everybody has a best friend. Who do you talk to the most or who spoke to you on the first day?

Actually Ms Galligan, as we were working together on the play.

Any embarrassing moment in the school so far?

In assembly a few weeks ago I realised that I was wearing Kermit the Frog socks and that his eyes were peeping out over my shoes and then I was trying to slyly cross my legs over to hide them.

Is this the first school you've taught in?

No, I've taught in other schools.

Do you have any nicknames?

Any nicknames Mr M nothing exciting.

What's your motto in life?

My motto in life is a Greek phrase, called 'Molon Labe'. It means 'come and get it', or 'over my dead body', or 'bring it on'.

MS RIGNEY

What subjects do you teach?

I just teach Maths in this school but I can also teach Business Studies. I teach all the year groups from 1-6.

Who are your favourite year group?

Oh I really like all my classes, I couldn't possibly pick a favourite! I think all the students in this school are very respectful. I've worked in an inner city school in London- if you've ever watched 'Educating Essex', it was actually kind of like that. It was very challenging because you had maybe sixty different languages spoken by students, so here I find I'm really liking the regularity.

What's your favourite thing about The High School?

I really like the staff- they're really friendly and I'm enjoying making new friends in the school. And the students want to learn and are respectful and very talented, since you do music and sports here as well.

Who's your teacher best friend?

Well, all the new staff started together, so from day one we've been kind of hanging out together and they're all really nice people. Also Ms Burrowes is lovely, and the Maths department are all legends - they have to be because they like Maths, Mr Wilkinson, Ms Thorpe, Mr Hilliard and Mr Carolan they're all really good fun.

Where are you from?

I'm from the Channel Islands, they're islands in-between England and France, but closer to France. Only sixty thousand people live there and you can walk around the outside of the island in just a day, it's only 25 miles. We

have great beaches and beautiful towns, it's a good holiday destination.

Who is your fashion idol?

Oh reading the fashion and the beauty columns in the Daily Mail is one of my guilty pleasures, I even have the app on my phone. I really like Rita Ora, Cara Delevigne and that kind of young fashion- I don't think it would suit me but I like looking at it.

Who is your celeb crush?

It has to be a classic hunk like Brad Pitt.

What is the craziest thing you've ever eaten?

Well, I've just come from Egypt, I was working there for a few years and they eat some really strange things. I went to a traditional Arabic feast one night and it was full of crazy foods like roasted insects and things like that and I tried a bit of everything.

What would be your ideal punishment for students?

I think watching paint dry would be a great one because of the phrase and also doing that would bore you to death as well.

If your life was a movie, which movie would it be and who would play you?

It would have to be one of those romantic love stories like 'PS I Love You', because my husband is Irish and I moved to Ireland for him so it would have to be a classic Irish-British romance film.

If you could be any animal what would you be and why?

I'd be a parrot because I repeat myself so often in this school when students don't listen to me.

JUNIOR CERTIFICATE RESULTS



KELLIE COMERFORD (4K) WITH SUPERVISOR
BONNIE CARTY

ON 10 SEPTEMBER 2014
FORM 4 PUPILS RECEIVED THEIR
JUNIOR CERTIFICATE RESULTS



DAVID DUNLEAVY (4F), NATHAN
MAWHINNEY (4F), BEN HARRINGTON (4B)



ELLA SCHMIDT (4K)



THE SCHOOL CHOIR ON PRIZE DAY





MS L PACKHAM, MR A FORREST, THE MOST REVEREND DAVID CHILLINGWORTH, MR R TEMPERLEY, AND MR R DAVIES

PRIZE DAY SPEECH 2014

Your Grace, Mr Chairman, distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen, past and current pupils of The High School. Good evening and welcome to the annual Parents' Evening and Prize Distribution.

The focus on excellence in education that has characterized The High School since its establishment in 1870 has never been limited to or narrowly defined by any single criterion of success. In fact, it is clear that the range of talents and abilities demonstrated by generations of pupils attending this school has always been recognized and rewarded with reference to a wide diversity of curricular and extra-curricular activities. A cursory glance at a Prize Day booklet of any era will reveal the existence of long-standing awards for academic, musical, artistic, and sporting achievement along with a clear emphasis on the importance of promoting social awareness as well as the recognition of dutiful service to the institution. This striking combination of ideals remains central to our values at The High School today.

We remain fully committed to providing a first-class holistic education for all our pupils in a school where there is no academic selection on entry and mixed-ability teaching throughout. We continue to maintain a clear focus on developing the full potential of every pupil entrusted to our care. We will always strive for the highest standards of academic excellence commensurate with the abilities of our pupils. In this respect we are fortunate

that the range of curricular and extra-curricular opportunities offered through the committed and dedicated efforts of staff, governors, and parents provides the perfect environment for high levels of achievement by all those attending The High School.

Therefore, we should regard the prizes awarded this evening as representing a series of important and distinctive accolades in a clear and separate recognition by the school of the highest levels of effort and achievement. The pupils who meet and maintain these standards have demonstrated outstanding commitment and determination in order to succeed in their respective fields. In this respect I should like to congratulate those pupils who have been awarded prizes this evening and recognize their dedication to achieving and maintaining the highest standards throughout their time at The High School. You have every reason to be proud of your achievements.

We are particularly fortunate in enjoying a long tradition of academic success at the school sustained by a collaborative and co-operative approach to teaching and learning which is shared equally between pupils and staff on a consistent basis. The training, experience, and judgement of my colleagues on the teaching staff underpins a clear understanding that identifying and nurturing the multiple intelligences of the children entrusted to our care is central to our educational mission. It is clear to

me that it would be virtually impossible to achieve the positive outcomes we are celebrating this evening were it not for the professional excellence of the teaching staff who are ably and effectively supported in their activities by the ancillary, catering, and administrative staff. I am equally grateful for the practical support and advice offered by the governors at The High School whose specialized expertise is provided on a voluntary basis. I am delighted to take this opportunity to acknowledge the commitment and dedication demonstrated by all members of the school community to the life of The High School.

It will probably come as no surprise to parents that the vast majority of pupils at The High School are fulfilling their potential or exceeding expectations on a daily basis and this success is recognized and rewarded at all times and at all levels. One key indicator of our collective pursuit of academic excellence may be observed in the narrow field of public examination results which far exceed the national average as well as those registered by many of our competitor schools. We can be justifiably proud of the fact that pupils achieved record-breaking Junior Certificate and Leaving Certificate results in 2013 and 2014, respectively. This record of achievement allowed an average of 100% of Sixth Form pupils to progress to third-level education in 2012, 2013, and 2014. In this context the role played by parents and guardians in promoting and supporting the education of their children in order to achieve these positive outcomes has become an increasingly important and onerous one. You should be assured that the school is most grateful for the support and encouragement it receives from the parent body.

In conclusion, I should like to offer my warmest congratulations to all prize winners on their success, to acknowledge the efforts of all members of staff who encourage pupils to fulfil their potential, to thank parents and guardians for supporting the efforts of their children, and express my sincere appreciation for the practical support and advice offered by the governors. I am delighted that we have an opportunity to celebrate the wide range of achievements of pupils and past pupils here at The High School this evening. I hope that you will all join with us in celebrating this proud moment of shared success.

Mr G A Forrest, MA, QTS

THE PRIZES WERE
DISTRIBUTED BY:
THE MOST REVEREND
DAVID CHILLINGWORTH MA

BENEDICTION:
THE REVD STEPHEN
FARRELL



ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS, 2013-14

ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS 2013 - 2014

Dr Ralph Reynolds Memorial
Scholarship:
Siobhan Trimmer
Zion Parish National School

School Scholarships:
Martin Hancz
**The Good Shepherd National School,
Churchtown**
Enya Mak
Rathfarnham Parish National School
Harry Lynch
Zion Parish National School
Nathan Hutchinson-Edgar
Zion Parish National School
Chloe Holmes
Kildare Place National School

Music Scholarship:
Clara Lee
Zion Parish National School
Nathan Timmins
St Patrick's Cathedral Choir School

SUBJECTS TAKEN OUTSIDE THE
NORMAL SCHOOL CURRICULUM
ARE NOT COUNTED WHEN
CALCULATING PRIZES. ANYONE
WISHING TO KNOW HOW PRIZES
ARE AWARDED MAY SPEAK TO THE
PRIZE DAY CO-ORDINATOR. THE
DECISION OF THE SCHOOL IS FINAL
AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WILL
BE ENTERED INTO.

Prizes

Form 1

Class Prizes:
1F Jack Healy, Katie Moore
1J Andrew Canning, Holly Perdue
1RL James Cole, Luan Rogers
1RN Calum Adair, Erica Macari
1W Caitriona Brennan,
Amy Scollard

Progress Prizes:
1F Sophia Gilmer, Isabelle Carter
1J Áine Ryan, Dylan Keogh
1RL Eva Kenny, Niall Lynch
1RN Naia Byrne Paredes,
Cathal Tuohy
1W Axel Cullen, Fiach Connolly

Form 2

Class Prizes:

2C Dylan Walsh, William Cosgrave
2P Isobel Mahon, Saoirse Kennedy
2R Michael Guastalla, Ella Squire
2T Rebecca Jones, Peter Lynch
2W James Kinsella,
Munachi Anele

2C Luke Sherwood, Caroline Ryan
2P Jamie Shaw, Tami Adeduntan
2R Alice Burleigh, Adam Kealy
2T Zack Rafter, Miriam Kelly
2W Catherine Boyd, Patrick Barnes

Wilfrid Lowry Progress Prizes:

FORM 2 PRIZE WINNERS



FORM 1 PRIZE WINNERS



**FORM 3
PRIZE WINNERS**

Form 3

Rogers Memorial Prize (best overall in Form 3):

Rachel Ferguson

Art – Miss Mitchell’s Prize:

Philip Motyer

Business Studies – SS Evans Prize:

Aela O’Flynn

Classical Studies:

Kyla O’Dwyer

Civic, Social & Political Education –

Parents’ Association Prize:

Sophie Hayes, Mark Deering, Liam

Phelan, Trina Bovenizer,

Natalie Ko

English – Emily Latimer Memorial Prize:

Rachel Ferguson

French – Carpenter Memorial Prize:

Kyla O’Dwyer

Geography – Miss Latimer’s Prize:

Rachel Ferguson

German – German Government

Prize: Rachel Ferguson

History – Casserley Prize:

Rachel Ferguson

Home Economics – Dr Maurice

Anderson’s Prize:

Natalie Ko

Irish – Jellett Memorial Prize:

Rachel Ferguson

Mathematics – Dillon Prize:

Yuliya Mikulchyk

Materials Technology (Wood) –

Parents’ Association Prize:

Katie Wyse Jackson

Music – Diocesan School Prize:

Mark Deering

Religious Education-

Parents’ Association Prize:

Rachel Ferguson

Science – Dorothy Blakeney Prize:

Rachel Ferguson

Technical Graphics – Parents’

Association Prize:

Ultan Maguire

Progress Prizes:

3B Sam Duffy, Aoife McBride

3C Ronan O’Byrne, Kate O’Shea

3MC Jack Lyons,

Lauren Fitzpatrick-Kiely

3R Abigail Nolan, Alexander Durac

3W Megan Millett, Sam Wright



NATALIE KO



RACHEL FERGUSON



FORM 5 PRIZE WINNERS

Form 5

Mitchell Scholarship
(best overall in Form 5):
Hayley Blair

Class Prizes:

Séamas MacLochlainn, Tony Zheng,
Maya Devine, Edward Bergman,
Patrick McBean, Ellen McCullough,
Ruth Ferguson, Rónán Dowling
Cullen, Ellen Mullooly, Jessica Smith,
Susanna Wyse Jackson

Montgomery Awards

Biology

Joint 1st Louise Dukes
Joint 1st Amanda Ko
Joint 2nd Neil Dunne
Joint 2nd Lucy Holden
Joint 2nd Evie McClafferty
Joint 2nd Susanna Wyse Jackson

Physics

1st Edward Bergman
2nd Dearbhla Moroney

Chemistry

Joint 1st Patrick McBean
Joint 1st Oisín Moodliar Walsh
2nd Jonah Clegg



FORM 2 PRIZE WINNERS: JACK HEALY, AMY SCOLLARD, CAITRÍONA BRENNAN, HOLLY PERDUE, ANDREW CANNING

Form 6

(Normally a pupil is eligible for only one of the first six awards below)

High School Exhibition: (best pupil in Form 6 who enters TCD)

Laura Dowling

John Thompson Scholarship:

Mike Dolan

Glorney Exhibition and Cup: (next best performing pupil who proceeds to further education)

Oisín Faust

Mildred Latimer Memorial Prize:

(next best performing pupil who enters further education in Ireland)

Seán Shanley-Mee

Abraham and Charles Spiro Prize:

(next best performing pupil)

Emma Butler

John Bennett Memorial Prize: (next best performing pupil)

Ciara Feely

Rawdon Taylor Memorial Prize: (best pupil who studies Engineering at 3rd Level)

Jeongun Kim

Accounting:

Dylan Quirke

Applied Mathematics – Evelyn Riley Memorial Prize:

Seán Shanley-Mee

Art – Miss Mitchell's Prize:

John Deering

Biology – Miss Jagoe Prize:

Jeongun Kim

Business – S.S. Evans Prize:

Mark Ryan

Chemistry – Dr Start's Prize:

Jeongun Kim

Classical Studies – Etheline Brady Prize:

Emer Brennan

Construction Studies – Parents'

Association Prize:

Patrick O'Hare

Economics – Ivan King Memorial Prize:

Daniel McBride

English – Bessie Bury Prize:

Laura Dowling

French – McNay Prize:

Mike Dolan

Geography – Miss Latimer's Prize:

Niamh Hebblethwaite

Geology – Ivan King Memorial Prize:

Ciara Feely

German – German Government Prize:

Oisín Faust

History – Ivan King Memorial Prize:

Robin Hayden

Home Economics – Dr Maurice

Anderson's Prize:

Jessica Cooper

Irish-Casserley Memorial Prize:

Laura Dowling

Mathematics – Foster Memorial Prize:

Seán Shanley-Mee

Music – Diocesan School Prize:

Jack Taylor

Physics:

Seán Shanley-Mee

Spanish – Ray White Memorial Prize:

Clodagh McGinley

Design and Communication Graphics

– Miss Mitchell's Prize:

John Kehoe-Roché

Class Prizes: Andrew Burke, Lauren

Hudson, Justin Bradish, Laura

Heaton, Richard Bismilla, John

Swanwick, Rupert Adams, Ann-Marie

Finn, Andrew Howell, Cian Tobin

Special Category Prizes

Alan Peters Memorial Prize:

(Prefect who has made the most helpful contribution to school life)

Ciara Feely

PPU Debating Medal:

Megan O'Byrne

McDonnell Prize for the Arts:

Jessica Smith 5GF, for her work with the orchestra

Foundation Day Initiative Award

Séamas MacLochlainn – for his work in setting up and running the Maths Club

Past Pupils' Union Awards

The following awards are made to the pupils who are considered to have made the best contribution to the school. In the case of the Head Boy and Head Girl the award is automatic and in the case of the other two awards a vote of staff and Form 6 pupils takes place from which the Head Boy and Head Girl are excluded.

Head Boy: Rupert Adams

Head Girl: Laura Rankin

Jean Scott Trophy:

Niamh Hebblethwaite

Old Boys' Cup: John Swanwick



DANNY MC AVINUE



RUPERT ADAMS



JESSICA COOPER



CLODAGH MCGINLEY



LAURA DOWLING



RICHARD BISMILLA, JUSTIN BRADISH, LAUREN HUDSON, ANDREW BURKE



MIKE DOLAN



JACK TAYLOR



SEÁN SHANLEY-MEE



CIAN TOBIN, ANN-MARIE FINN, RUPERT ADAMS, JOHN SWANWICK



EMMA BUTLER



CIARA FEELY



EMER BRENNAN



JOHN DEERING



MR WILKINSON, ANN-MARIE FINN,
JOHN DEERING, SEÁN SHANLEY-MEE



REV STEPHEN FARRELL



LAURA RANKIN, HEAD GIRL



GEMMA BOVENIZER AND FAMILY



NIAMH HEBBLETHWAITE, JILLIAN
GODSIL, JOHN SWANWICK.



JESSICA COOPER AND FAMILY

LEAVING CERTIFICATE 2014

Acheson, Zoe
 Adams, Rupert
 Adye Curran, Patrick
 Ayeva, Samira
 Baker Kerrigan, Kyrie
 Baldwin, Heather
 Bannister, Luke
 Barrett, Eva
 Barry, Luke
 Bevan, Chloe
 Beverland, Robert
 Bismilla, Richard
 Bradish, Justin
 Brennan, Emer
 Brennan, Maebh
 Brown, Sam
 Browning, Tim
 Burke, Andrew
 Butler, Emma
 Butler, Lara
 Byrne, Amy
 Byrne, Jack
 Byrne, Megan
 Campbell, Peter
 Carney, Ailbhe
 Carson, Sarah
 Casey, Daven
 Christodoulides, Conor
 Connell, Ruth
 Connolly, Ross
 Cooper, Jessica
 Daly, Lorcan
 Darragh, Laoise
 Deering, John
 Delaney, Mark
 Dolan, Mike
 Donnelly, Abigail
 Donnelly, Joe
 Dooley, Ross
 Dowling, Laura
 Doyle, Chloe
 Drennan, Matthew

Dunleavy, Robert
 Edgeworth, Ken
 Evans, Ryan
 Farrell, Naoise
 Faust, Oisín
 Feely, Ciara
 Finn, Ann-Marie
 Fleming, Catherine
 Forde-Morrin, Saoirse
 Fox, Sarah
 Gray, Suzanne
 Harrington, Shane
 Harris, Paul
 Hayden, Robin
 Heaton, Laura
 Hebblethwaite, Niamh
 Higgins, Daragh
 Holder, Daniel
 Howard, David
 Howell, Andrew
 Hudson, Lauren
 Jackson, Lauren
 Johnson, Stephanie
 Jones, Tim
 Jordan, Gráinne
 Kavanagh, Feargal
 Kavanagh, Zephán
 Keane, Annie
 Keary, Seán
 Keating, Sam
 Kehoe-Roche, John
 Kenna, Áine
 Kennedy, Craig
 Kim, Jeongun
 Kinch, Karl
 Kinlan, Alison
 Lahiff, Caroline
 Laycock, Jamie
 Lodola, Alex
 MacManus, Fionn
 MacWilliam, Amy
 Maguire, Katie

Manning, Andrew
 Mawhinney, Ruth
 McAuley-Doherty, Jenny
 McAvinue, Danny
 McBride, Daniel
 McCarthy, Grace
 McGinley, Clodagh
 McLaughlin Callan, Ruby
 McLoughlin, Robert
 Morris, Jamie
 Mulhere, Sarah
 Murphy, Emma
 Murphy, Gavin
 Murphy, John
 Naylor, Donal
 Neenan, Timothy
 O'Brien, Julie
 O'Donnell, Grace
 O'Hare, Patrick
 O'Leary, Nathanael
 O'Reilly, Gráinne
 Pamuk, Gagatay
 Quirke, Dylan
 Rankin, Laura
 Reichental, Zoe
 Ryan, Andrew
 Ryan, Mark
 Shanley-Mee, Seán
 Sheridan, Jack
 Smart, Zoe
 Snodgrass, Darren
 Stafford, Leah
 Stewart, Julianne
 Stitt, Robert
 Swanwick, John
 Sweetnam, Hugh
 Taylor, Jack
 Tobin, Cian
 Walsh, Jack
 Webster, Emma

Bursaries

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JUNIOR CERTIFICATE 2014

Anderson, James
Babade, Seán
Baird, Ryan
Bolger, Sian
Bortolozzo, Sean
Bovenizer, Gemma
Bovenizer, Trina
Bowker, Amy
Boyd, Elizabeth
Bracken, Seumas
Breen, Willow
Brennan, Andrew
Brennan, Annie
Burns, John
Butler, Rhys
Byrne, Joe
Cheung, Timmy
Christle, Camille
Clavin, Robert
Comerford, Kellie
Connolly, Amy
Cosgrove, Lisa
Cotter-Vazquez, Jeremy
Cowlard Joyce, Colm
Cripps, Harry
Curran, Daniel
Deegan, Deborah
Deering, Mark
Deverell, Lionel
Doherty O'Brien, Ultan
Dolan, Tim
Donnelly, David
Donnelly, David James
Dooley, James
Dowling, Gráinne
Duffy, Sam
Dunleavy, David
Dunne, Sinéad
Durac, Alexander
Earner Ryan, Eva
Empey, Conor
Ferguson, Rachel
Fetherston, Emma
Fitzpatrick-Kiely, Lauren
Flaherty, Kevin
Flynn, Eoin

Forde-Morrin, Dearbhla
Fox, Rebecca
Gleeson-Dunn, Jamie
Golden, Michael
Grant, Georgia
Hackett, Robert
Harrington, Ben
Harris, Catherine
Hayes, Sophie
Iredale, Jack
Isom, Connor
Jackson, Ellen
Jennings, Mia
Kaye Mellor, Timothy
Keating, Sophie
Keating Levins, Ruby
Keaveny, Saoirse
Kelly, Shane
Killeen, Sam
King, Harry
Ko, Natalie
Law, Naoise
Laycock, Jack
Lee, Aidan
Lim, Maely
Lopongo, Dean
Lynch, Eoin
Lyons, Jack
MacWilliam, Ross
Maguire, Ultan
Mawhinney, Nathan
McBride, Aoife
McDonnell, Harry
McElveen-Walsh, Cía
McKenna, Jack
McLaughlin, Robert
McLuskie, Oliver
Merriman, Nicola
Mikulchyk, Yuliya
Millett, Megan
Milofsky, Elliot
Mohan, Benjamin
Molony, Tom
Motyer, Philip
Mullen, Fionnuala

Mullooly, Sarah
Nolan, Abigail
Ní Néill, Sorchá
O'Brien, David
O'Brien, Megan
O'Byrne, Ronan
O'Donnell, Megan
O'Donovan, Melanie
O'Dwyer, Kyla
O'Flynn, Aela
O'Gorman, Jack
O'Reilly, Patrick
O'Reilly, Shane
O'Riain, Conor
O'Shea, Kate
O'Sullivan, Milo
Persechini, Ronaldo
Phelan, Liam
Prendergast, Joseph
Quirey, Ben
Rosney, Joshua
Rufli, Adam
Scarlett, Eoin
Schmidt, Ella
Sheehan, Michael
Sherwood, Joy
Sisson, Matt
Smartt, Emily
Smith, Jessica
Smyth, Mark
Sturdy, Dillon
Styles, Lauren
Tang, Angela
Taylor, Emma
Tisdall, Conor
Tobin, Mark
Tucker, Ellen
Tuohy, Aisha
Walker, Luke
Weafer, Katy
Whelan, Craig
Wright, Elliot
Wright, Sam
Wyse Jackson, Katie
Young, Rhianna

TRANSITION YEAR AWARDS 2013-2014

Gaisce-President's
Award Silver
Ferguson, Ruth
Watts, Emma

Gaisce-President's
Award Bronze
Adams, Ilona
Akinsuli, Ifedayo
Angle, Koleman
Ardill, Stephen
Babade, Dami
Baker Kerrigan, Lindsay
Beverland, Alison
Bradish, Philip
Burbridge, Ritchie
Burleigh, Jack
Byrne, Amy
Canning, Emma
Chambers, Jonathan
Cody, Jennifer
Cosgrove, Jason
Cullen, Anna
Curran, Clodagh
Deacon, Mark
Devine, Clara
Doherty, John
Downey, Ellen
Doyle, Stephen
Doyle, Megan
Duffy, Conor
Egan, David
Elwood, Killian
Evans, Conor
Farrelly, Tom
Faughnan, Ciara
Faust, Eoin
Felle, Alex
Fleming, Anna
Forder, Amyrose
Furey, Will
Garland, Isabel
Gavigan, Oisín
Gentile, Marika
Grehan, Orlaith
Harrison, Sophie
Healy, Sean
Hunston, Maria
Hunt, Aaron
Hunter Hanley, Kate
Jones, Ethan
Kelleher, Robbie

Kennelly, Seán
Kenny, Alexander
Kerr, Charlie
Kola Cahill, Kalyan
Kurilovs, Daniels
Landy, Katherine
Le Bas, William
Leavy, Paige
Lee, Ralph
Leith, Kirsty
Manning, Zoe
May, Taillte
Mc Evoy, Oisín
McBean, Laura
McCausland, Cian
Miller, Jessica
Moloney, Sam
Molony, Hannah
Murphy, Bróna
Neenan, Catherine
O'Connor, Charlie
O'Connor, Katie
O'Reilly, Alannah
Palmer, Andrew
Pearson, Matthew
Perdue, Orla
Prendergast, Cian
Rayner, Sam
Reilly, Brian
Ridgeway, Matthew
Ridyard, Alistair
Ryan, Cathal
Ryan, Conor
Rynne, Michaela
Scollard, Jack
Shaw, Adam
Tannam-Elgie, Matthew
Treacy, Emma
Tucker, Lee
Warren, Cian
Whelan, Molly
Whelan, Jack

Judo Awards 2013/14
Akinsuli, Ifedayo
Babade, Dami
Barry, Jackson
Beverland, Alison
Browne, Daniel
Chambers, Jonathan
Cotter, Lana
Deacon, Mark

Duffy, Rory
Faust, Eoin
Foley, Jake
Furey, William
Green, Abby
Iland, Billy
Kerr, Charlie
Larkin Woulfe, Cian
McCausland, Cian
Mays, Anna
Meijer, Kirsty
Moloney, Sam
Murphy, Daniel
O'Connell, Ferdia
O'Connell, Sorchá
Palmer, Andrew
Pearson, Matthew
Reynolds, Tristan
Shaw, Adam
Sheill, Sophie
Sullivan, Connor
Tannam-Elgie, Matthew
Treacy, Emma
Treacy-McGee, Ben
Tucker, Lee

Habitat for Humanity Trip
Vietnam 2014
Victor Bell
Jonathan Chambers
Ellie Conheady
Anna Cullen
William Furey
Sophie Harrison
Daragh McDonnell
Peter Mullen
Jake O'Donnell
Alannah O'Reilly
Cian Prendergast
Matthew Ridgeway
Alastair Ridyard
Adam Shaw
Rebecca Shaw
Susanna Wyse Jackson

Andrew McKay Memorial
Business Award
Jason Cosgrove
Michaela Rynne
Joe Kiely-Fox
Eoin Faust

Debutants



TALL, DARK AND HANDSOME -
LAURA DOWLING AND HER DATE

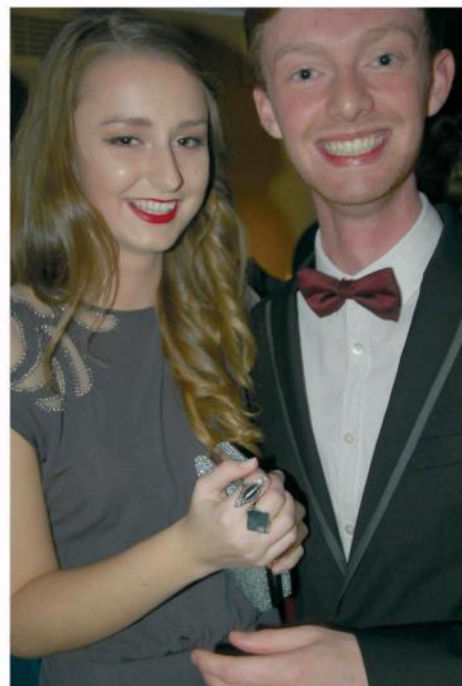


ZOE SMART, MEG O'CONNOR AND CATHERINE
FLEMING

> PRETTY IN PINK -
NIAMH HEBBLEWAITHE, SAOIRSE
FORDE-MORRIN, EMMA BUTLER,
CHLOE DOYLE



< STEPHANIE JOHNSON
AND HUGH SWEETNAM



SMILES ALL ROUND - DEARBHLA MORONEY
AND JOHN DEERING



< GAVIN MURPHY AND LEAH STAFFORD





ALEX FELLE (5DT)



ANNA PHELAN (2RN) AND CAITLIN NICKELS (2W)



AINE RYAN (2J), HANNAH VANCE-CRONIN (2J), AND SEAMAS BRACKEN (4HE)



FIELDS CHUNG (3W)



CAMILLA ANELE (1G), JODIE MCAVINUE (1S)

Simon Fun Run



AFTER THE RACE



ALLYN LEE (6RM), LOUISE DUKES (6RM), MEGAN O'BYRNE (6RM), SHANNON YOUNG (6MB), EVA KELLY (6RM)

On a chilly morning on the 4 October a huge number of pupils from The High School participated in the Dublin Simon Community Fun Run at the Phoenix Park. The Dublin Simon Community is a major charity that helps to alleviate homelessness in the Dublin region by providing services such as soup runs, emergency accommodation, treatment and recovery services and information services. This year it was particularly poignant given the death of Johathan Corrie, a homeless man on the streets of Dublin. We feel they are a very worthy organisation to raise money for. The High School are big supporters of this race and organisation and this year was no different as we raised an unprecedented amount of money.

The race was eight kilometres in length and, as always, is a great day out. There is a wide range of abilities in the race from the less experienced walkers to the more serious club runners - all are welcome to come! The first finisher from The High



NATHAN HUTCHINSON-EDGAR (1H)

School was myself in a time of 30 minutes.

Overall, there is a huge number of connected events such as live music on the day and it is a hugely enjoyable day. The High School was awarded the Simon Community Perpetual Trophy for the fourth consecutive year in the months following on from the race as a token of gratitude for the amount of money raised by the school.

Jack Scollard (5DT)

FORM 1 MASKS



GIULIA GUASTALLA



ALAN CRIPPS



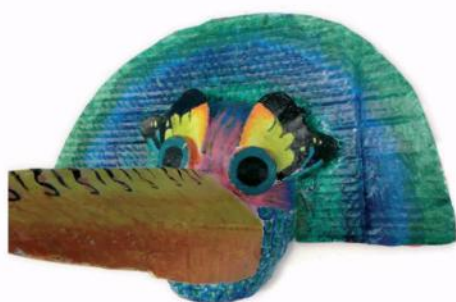
ALARA TOBIN



CHLOE HOLMES



AREEJ AL RIYAMI



ANNA LYONS

Joutes Oratoires

On Tuesday 7 October, The High School's French debating team went to the Alliance Francaise on Kildare Street to take part in the first round of the 2014/2015 Joutes Oratoires, an inter-school French debating contest. The team, made up of Chloe Manahan (6GF, Captain), Ilona Adams (5LC), Sarah Stafford-Langan (5LR), and Eva Earner Ryan (4M) debated against St Andrew's College. The motion was "Nos meilleures années sont nos années d'école" – "Our best years are our school years". The High School debated in favour of the motion and all four speakers spoke very well. Despite the high standards of St Andrew's debating, The High School won both the debate and the prize for best speaker, which went to Chloe Manahan. Although the team did not win their next debate, Chloe again won the prize for best speaker. Huge thanks go to Ms Horan for all her guidance and hard work.

**Chloe Manahan (6GF)
and Ilona Adams (5LC)**



ISABELLE HAYES

Faces of the Fallen HSD WWI Memorial Screen



During the year, students from Ms Burrowes Form 4 English class began work on a WWI Centenary Memorial Screen in remembrance of The High School past pupils who died in the Great War. Some seventy pupils died in the conflict, and through our research for the HSD War Stories Project, we have collected photographs of over half of the men. Pupils from Ms Kitty Rogers' art classes came together to sketch portraits of the men from the original, often out of focus photographs, creating very striking, stylised images. Old maps were then kindly donated by the Geography department, while the Woodwork department, with the help of Mr Middleton and his Form 4 pupils, produced the splendid triptych screen. James Anderson (4M) put pen to paper and created a touching poem about the war, from which the key quotation was taken. It most poignantly reads:

*'I looked and looked
But no faces I saw
Just familiar names
That were set in stone.'*

The board is patterned with roses, in the Macintosh style, which in Roman times were part of funereal remembrance and are known to symbolise resurrection.

On the reverse of the screen there is a large collection of colourful recruitment posters from The Great War, creating a visual patchwork that highlights how art and language were used to persuade the civilian population to join the war effort.

This project was a cross-curricular event and on behalf of myself and the pupils of 4M, I would like to thank all of the teachers involved in this project, who gave their time so freely, and shared their enthusiasm and expertise to help make this project such a success.

Ms M Burrowes



HISTORY TRIP TO BELGIUM

To commemorate the centenary of WW1, eighteen senior history students and two teachers travelled to Ypres, Belgium. Here we spent three days immersed in the glorious and brutal history, staying on the Ypres salient in the heart of the western front. We arrived yawning but excited at Dublin airport at 4:00 am on 8th November and flew to Brussels Zaventem airport. Our first stop was the EU Parliamentarium where we ate lunch and explored a highly interactive museum about our continent and how it is governed. It was then time to embark for our hostel in the centre of Ypres, the smallest city in Belgium. The 'In Flanders Field's' museum was our next stop; this was a haunting museum mainly focused on trench life. Then, after a quick stop for some Belgian waffles, we attended the Last Post Ceremony at the Menin Gate. This ceremony has sounded over Ypres unbroken since 1928 (except for during the German Occupation during WW2). It takes place in the beautiful Menin Gate memorial – an incredibly moving building commemorating the 54,896 missing soldiers who lost their lives in the area. During the ceremony, three High School pupils laid a wreath on behalf of our school.

The next day, after an early start, we met our guide. He brought us to an exquisite museum dedicated to the Battle of Passchendaele 1917 where we experienced mock trenches and underground dugouts. We even got to smell the gas used and see how we would have looked in both British and German military outfits

Throughout the day we visited many moving cemeteries. Across the Ypres salient, there are 165 cemeteries for soldiers who fell during the war. We went to the largest military cemetery in the Commonwealth, the smallest, and many in between. One of the highlights of the



THE GRAVE OF FORMER HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT CORPORAL WILLIAM JAMES FRANCIS WITH OTHERS. THE STUDENTS PLACED A PLAQUE AND COMMEMORATIVE CROSS WITH THE HEADSTONE

trip was being able to visit the graves of two former past pupils of The High School: Corporal William James Francis and Captain George Francis Lambert Porter. Both were highly intelligent men who received praise and commendation from their superiors. Porter was even recommended for a Victoria Cross.

We also visited the Island of Ireland Peace Park, commemorating when the 16th (Irish) division and 36th (Ulster) division united in battle despite the conflict happening back at their home. It is a poignant memorial with a 100ft Round Tower containing book after book of the names of the Irish war dead. We also heard that on 11th November, light hitting the tower is reflected by mirrors to project a map of a united Ireland onto the grounds of the park.

That evening, after a delicious dinner, we returned to our hostel and had a fun evening playing pool, board games and cards together.

Monday morning was another early start with a final breakfast in the hotel and then on to the last day of sightseeing. The first

stop was to a German cemetery at Langemarck. This cemetery contains 44,292 burials as well as a statue by Prof. Emil Krieger that was inspired by a photograph taken of soldiers from a Reserve Infantry Regiment, mourning at the grave of a comrade in 1918.

Next we visited the grave of Willie Redmond, a Nationalist MP and Army officer who was killed in Messines in 1917. His story is very interesting because, being a Nationalist, he was supposed to be a sworn enemy of all unionists, however, when he was wounded on the battlefield, it was an Ulsterman named John Meekes who rescued him. We wanted to do something to show our appreciation for everything that Redmond did for Ireland so the group read one of his most famous speeches aloud by his grave side.

Next, after a brief snack of pancakes and waffles, we stopped in the historic town of Poperinge or 'Pops' as it was affectionately known by the soldiers who stayed in this pocket of free Belgium for respite and recuperation.



SCULPTURE BY EMIL KRIEGER LOCATED AT THE GERMAN CEMETERY IN LANGEMARCK



THE WREATH LAID BY STUDENTS ON BEHALF OF THE HIGH SCHOOL LOCATED WITH OTHERS AT THE MENIN GATE



THE GRAVE OF CAPTAIN GEORGE FRANCIS LAMBERT PORTER A FORMER HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT LOCATED ON THE YPRES SALIENT. A HIGH SCHOOL PLAQUE AND CROSS WERE PLACED WITH THE GRAVE



JOE KIELY FOX (5DT), BEN SCALLAN (5RH), SEAN HEALY (5TP) AND CATHAL RYAN (5LR) STANDING IN THE FIELD OF POPPIES AT THE MENIN GATE MEMORIAL



A MESSAGE WRITTEN ON A REMEMBRANCE POPPY LOCATED AT THE MENIN GATE

Then we made our way to our final stop on the tour, the lovely and eccentric Talbot House. The house was established during the war as a place for soldiers to catch up, rest and forget about the horrors of the trenches. The sign outside read "Talbot House - Every Man's Club" and that's exactly what it was. As soon as we arrived into the main body of the house we were all offered a complimentary cup of tea, just as the soldiers were back then and just as royalty would be if they stayed there now. We walked freely around the house and grounds and even had a go at playing a century old piano.

After this we all sat out in the sun for a last lunch together and then headed to the airport. We arrived back in Dublin late in the evening, tired but happy.

The whole group would like to thank Ms Bennett and Mr Miller for organizing such a once-in-a-lifetime trip and for getting us there and back in one piece. We all learned so much and will remember our time in Belgium for many years to come.

Orla Perdue (5LR)
and Amyrose Forder (5LR)



ORLA PERDUE (5LR) WEARING A REPLICA ARMY ISSUE HELMET AND COAT IN THE PASSCHENDAELE MUSEUM



A REPLICA SNIPER BOX IN A MOCK TRENCH IN THE PASSCHENDAELE MUSEUM



A COLLECTION OF GAS MASKS IN THE PASSCHENDAELE MUSEUM



ELLEN DOWNEY (5DT) AND AMYROSE FORDER (5LR) WEAR POPPIES IN FRONT OF THE 'IN FLANDERS FIELDS' MUSEUM



WORLD WAR 1 TALK



DARREN MCMAHON FROM THE IRISH GREAT WAR SOCIETY ENTERTAINED PUPILS WITH ARTEFACTS AND OBJECTS FROM THEIR MUSEUM INCLUDING A GAS MASK FROM THE PERIOD WHICH PUPILS ENJOYED TRYING ON.





Geography Field Trip

ON 16 OCTOBER FORM 6 GEOGRAPHY STUDENTS CONDUCTED FIELD STUDIES AS PART OF THEIR GEOGRAPHY COURSE TO GLENDASAN VALLEY IN CO WICKLOW. THEY WERE CONDUCTING A FIELD TRIP TO INVESTIGATE THE PROCESSES OF EROSION.

Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal

The Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal is an Irish charity project that has been active in The High School since the late 1990s. Shoeboxes full of gifts are collected each year to send off to kids in developing world countries as Christmas presents. This year, 169,705 shoeboxes nationwide were sent to 11 different countries.

40 Form 4 pupils volunteered to take part in the project alongside Mr Barry during October and November. A member of the Team Hope staff, Daniel Ramamoorthy, also came into talk to us about it. We divided in to four main teams; logistics, marketing, strategy, and finance, each with very important roles. This year, High School students produced 159 shoeboxes and fundraised another €150 to bring joy to kids in other parts of the world. Most of our shoeboxes went to Malawi this year, the same destination as the Habitat for Humanity team. The rest of our shoeboxes went on the next truck to Ukraine. All volunteers also got to see what goes on behind the scenes by taking a trip to the warehouse in Sandyford where the shoeboxes are collected and checked before they are sent off.

In Ireland, we are incredibly lucky for what we have, so if you haven't done so in the past, I recommend you get involved with the Team Hope appeal to bring happiness to someone a lot less fortunate than ourselves.

Abigail Nolan (4HE)



FORM 5 PLAY

The vast majority of the year group, led by a few brave teachers and assisted by many more, took on the annual challenge of the Form 5 play. With auditions beginning as early as mid-September, we knew we were in for a lot of work. However, the long months rehearsing; leaving school hours after dark and giving up lunchtimes and weekends, were a labour of love, that everyone enjoyed and will miss. Of course such hardships were necessary though, for the stunning performance that came about.

After initial auditions, it became clear that this was going to go down as one of the largest groups of people ever assembled for a single production at The High School, largely due to the exceptional selection of talent available. With the amazing artists, dancers, actors, singers and musicians who came forward, it was clear from early on that if we worked hard, we could really produce something great together. As the weeks flew by and the big night drew nearer, preparation became more and more intense. While performers and stagehands practiced scenes over and over again to close in on perfection, a wonderful set was designed. The main backdrop was entirely hand-painted, and props were both built and modified. Our costume team assembled a wide range of garments from the era that suited characters marvellously. On the night of the play we were most definitely ready.

The play's story revolves around Bugsy Malone, a boxing promoter from 1920's Chicago, and the conflict between two local gangs; those of Fat Sam Stacetto and Dandy Dan. Bugsy gets mixed up in the gang warfare trying to earn some money to take the girl of his dreams, Blousey Brown, to Hollywood. Despite many challenges and setbacks, Bugsy not only makes enough money for Blousey to chase her dreams, but also sees the hostilities between Sam and Dan resolved.

I have great doubts as to whether any of our audience during those three glorious nights is likely to forget the charisma of leading man Brian Reilly (5IW) playing Bugsy, nor the charming mix of audacity and sweetness carried by Clodagh Curran (5IW) as Blousey. The chemistry



they shared on stage gave the play the romantic dimension it deserved. However, the relationship that really set the mood for the show was that shared by Paige Leavy (5LC) and Koleman Angle (5LR). Koleman's attitude as Dandy Dan, brought the atmosphere of 1920's swagger to perfection, as he gradually eliminated all of Sam's assets. Paige's performance really blew the audience away, taking Sam's character to new heights. Her electric presence on stage was particularly amplified by her hilarious gang.

Jason Cosgrove (5DT), Jack Burleigh (5DT), Adam Shaw (5LR), Jack Scollard (5DT) and Joe Kiely Fox (5DT) did an out-standing job of forgetting their usual intelligent selves in becoming the perfect band of dim-witted hoodlums. They were nothing short of priceless as Fat Sam's gang. Their rivals, Dan's gang, inspired terror rather than laughter, storming the stage several times and taking out unsuspecting victims with their splurge

guns. These mean, hardened criminals were played by Sam Moloney (5LR), David Green (5LR), Evan Cooper (5LR), Conor Ryan (5TP), Will Furey (5IW) and Daniel Murphy (5TP). Both gangs however, were very capable of thwarting the investigations of Detective Smolsky, played superbly by both Ritchie Burbridge (5DT) and Kate Hunter-Hanley (5IW), assisted most comically by Katie O'Connor's (5DT) O'Dreary. This mix of characters pitted against one another was the primary driving force behind the comedy in the play, and provided many entertaining scenes.

Another comedic powerhouse was the duo of Stephen Doyle (5TP) and Kalyan Kola-Cahill (5DT), as they played kind-hearted giant Leroy, and veteran boxing coach Cagey Joe, respectively. Favourites of many audience members, together they formed a masterpiece in physical, situational and dialogue based comedy, notably during Kalyan's song 'So you wanna be a boxer', featuring several back-ups and dancers also.



FAT SAM - PAIGE LEAVY (5LC) AND HIS BAD GUYS - JACK BURLEIGH (5DT), ADAM SHAW (5LR), JACK SCOLLARD (5DT), JASON COSGRAVE (5DT), JOE KIELY FOX (5DT)



RITCHIE BURBRIDGE (5DT) AS CAPTAIN SMOLSKY

The main location for the play was Fat Sam's Speakeasy, and whilst it was set on stage the audience could never tell when it was about to be subjected to a similarly fantastic musical piece, whether by Blousey, Aisling O'Neill's (5IW) feisty Tallulah or William Le Bas' (5DT) endearing Fizzy. Perhaps the most significant musical performance here was 'Fat Sam's Grand Slam', featuring Aisling also, along with our fabulous chorus line consisting of Orla Perdue (5LR), Christina Lynn (5IW), Busé Tobin (5DT), Ilona Adams (5LC) and Emma Canning (5IW), backed by our remarkable dancers. Of course there were other memorable numbers, including 'Bad Guys' by Fat Sam's gang, and a rousing anthem by Buggy and the Down and Outs.

Other notable acts included Lena Marrelli by Sophie Harrison (5TP), ventriloquist Matthew Ridgeway (5DT) and dummy Aaron Hunt (5DT). Vital elements to the



WILLIAM LE BAS (5DT) SINGS HIS HEART OUT AS FIZZY

play's success involved our make-up team, choreographer Ellen Downey (5DT) pianists Kirsty Leith (5TP), Raymond Tang (5TP) and Alex Felle (5DT), designers Jack Scollard (5DT) and Kirsty Leith (5TP), and my fellow stage manager, Alistair Luke Ridyard (5DT).

Our efforts resulted in an excellent production - a shining symbol of cooperation and achievement in the school community. We are very grateful to Ms Browne, Ms Galligan, Mr Milofsky and Ms Rogers for harnessing the abilities of a very talented year group, and organising such a successful production. I feel we all lived up to, and probably exceeded our expectations, and everyone involved has every right to feel very proud. Thank you to all who came to watch us perform.

David Egan (5IW)



EOIN FAUST (5LR) AS THE BUTLER TO DANDY DAN - KOLEMAN ANGLE (5LR)



FAT SAM MAKES A DEAL WITH BUGSY MALONE - BRIAN REILLY (5IW)



DANDY DAN'S GANG



FAT SAM'S DANCERS



BUGSY - BRIAN REILLY (5IW) AND BLOUSEY - CLODAGH CURRAN (5IW)



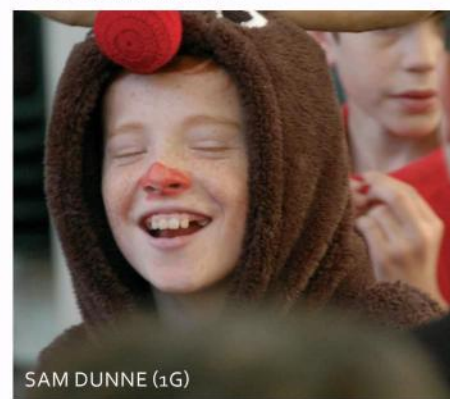
JOSH ROSNEY (4K), SAM DUFFY (4K), SEAN BORTOLOZZO, DILLON STURDY (4K)

Christmas Rock Pop Show

ON 12 DECEMBER FORM 1 PUPILS PARTICIPATED IN THE JINGLE BELL FUN RUN IN AID OF FOCUS IRELAND.



DANCERS



SAM DUNNE (1G)

Jingle Bell Fun Run



ISABELLE HAYES (1S), CHLOE HOLMES (1R)



AMY BOYD (1G)





Christmas Assembly

THIS CHRISTMAS THE CHOIR ENTERTAINED THE SCHOOL WITH CHRISTMAS CAROLS AT ASSEMBLY.

2022 Service

The school Carol Service this year in Zion Parish was a great success! The evening included nine lessons, including lessons in Latin, Italian, Irish, Spanish, French and German. The choir and congregation sang some of the old favourites, such as "Silent Night" and "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen", and the orchestra gave a beautiful performance as usual. The festive atmosphere was felt by all, particularly when served mince pies afterwards in the school! Big thanks go to all the students and staff who got involved, and the Reverend Stephen Farrell, Rector of Zion Parish, for making it yet another year of charming festivities.



SUSANNA WYSE JACKSON (6RM)



ILONA ADAMS (5LC), AMY LOGAN (5IW),
CLODAGH CURRAN (5IW)



CLARA LEE (1H)



NATHAN TIMMINS (1R)

2ND TERM

40 YEARS ON

In 1974 the world's population stood at 4,012 billion, petrol was still sold by pence and the gallon (40 pence per gallon) and it was the Chinese year of the Tiger. The world was in the middle of an oil crisis, Camp David accords were trying to bring peace into the Middle East and speed limits were imposed in the US and the Netherlands amongst others to minimise petrol consumption. In the US, daylight saving was introduced four months early to effect the same reduction in fossil fuels.

The American bank, Franklin National Bank collapsed due to a mixture of fraud and mismanagement – the bank was not bailed out by the people. The World Trade Centre, then the tallest tower in the world before Sears Tower opened later in Chicago, opened in New York.

The Greek People voted in a referendum to reject their monarchy.

US president Richard Nixon faced his accusers over phone taping, first denying all charges before admitting his wrongdoing and resigning from the Presidency. He was the first US president to resign from office, although he was later pardoned by Ford, but not before giving the suffix 'gate' to the world. First we had Watergate but very quickly this spawned a range of names for other scandals such as Nipplegate, Monicagate, Pardongate or, more recently, our very own Rory O'Neill's PantiGate.

President Erskine Childers died suddenly, only 17 months into his presidency.

Ted Bundy, the US serial killer, began his first documented homicides in this year, averaging the death of one woman per month across the US. Patty Hearst, the news magnate's daughter, was kidnapped by the Symbionese Liberation Army (she was later pardoned as part of Clinton's Pardongate). The IRA commenced its mainland bombing campaign in the UK, hitting the Houses of Parliament

in July and later detonated a bomb in Birmingham which killed 21 civilians, the highest number of victims in its campaigns. The organisation was banned in the UK and a cease fire negotiated by the year end, which lasted until April of the following year.

Sean MacBride won the Nobel Peace Prize.

West Germany won the World Cup in Soccer in West Germany, beginning a domination which continued for the rest of the century. Pele retired from professional football.

The worst recorded aviation disaster happened involving a Turkish plane crashing in Paris and taking 346 lives.

Jaws was published by Peter Benchley while Aleksandra Solzhenitsyn was deported from Russia and his Soviet citizenship revoked. Monty Python aired for the first time on British television. The first extra-terrestrial message was sent into Space; we have not as yet had a reply.

Cyclone Tracy pretty much demolished the city of Darwin in Australia on Christmas Day.

On July 20th, ten women, styled as 'Dublin City Women's Invasion Force' including journalist Neil McCaffrey, activist Nuala Fennell and poet Mary D'Arcy entered the Forty Foot bathing space in Sandycove in Dublin, historically a men-only nude bathing area. The woman claimed their right to also swim there. From that time forward, men and women swam at the Forty Foot.

In an unrelated incident, The High School amalgamated with the Diocesan School for Girls, bringing the distinctive bottle green colour into the brand. From that time forth, boys and girls attended The High School. And The High School, much like the Forty Foot, has never looked back since.

Jillian Godsil

40 TOP BOOKS

1. The Fault in our Stars - John Green
2. The Great Gatsby - F. Scott Fitzgerald
3. Game of Thrones - George R.R. Martin
4. Paper Towns - John Green
5. Of Mice and Men - John Steinbeck
6. Class A - Robert Muchamore
7. Haven't Read Any
8. Divergent - Veronica Roth
9. Harry Potter - J.K. Rowling
10. When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit - Judith Kerr
11. War and Peace - Leo Tolstoy
12. The Uglies - Scott Westerfeld
13. Maze Runner - James Dashner
14. The Outsiders - S.E. Hinton
15. Real World Physics - Dan O'Regan
16. Noughts and Crosses - Malorie Blackman
17. Will Grayson, Will Grayson - John Green
18. Never Let Me Go - Kazuo Ishiguro
19. The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas - John Boyle
20. Under the Hawthorn Tree - Marita Conlon-McKenna
21. Inferno - Dan Brown
22. The Odyssey - Homer
23. All Quiet on the Western Front - Erich Maria Remarque
24. Looking for Alaska - John Green
25. Foster - Clare Keegan
26. That Was Then This Is Now - S.E. Hinton
27. The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao - Junot Díaz
28. Lord of the Rings - J.R.R. Tolkien
29. Silver Linings Playbook - Matthew Quick
30. The Phone Goes Dead - Anthony Horowitz
31. The Girl Who Saved the King of Sweden - Jonas Jonasson
32. The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy - Douglas Adams
33. Scandal in Bohemia - Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
34. The Shining - Stephen King
35. Yes Please - Amy Poehler
36. One Day - David Nicholls
37. Thirteen - Tom Hoyle
38. The Apple Tree Yard - Louise Doughty
39. The Victory Dogs - Megan Rix
40. Leaving Cert Geography Book

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40 COMMON PHRASES

- WE'VE ALL GOT
WRONG ONCE OR
TWICE (SOME MORE
THAN OTHERS)
1. I COULD CARE LESS
 2. I'M DOING GOOD
 3. DEFIANTLY
(WHEN YOU MEAN DEFINITELY!)
 4. ALOT
 5. YOUR/YOU'RE
 6. OBLIVIOUSLY
(WRONG OBVIOUSLY!!)
 7. AFFECT/EFFECT
 8. ACCEPT/EXCEPT
 9. COULD OF
 10. DYED
 11. TRY AND
 12. BIN
 13. ALOUD
 14. YOU AND ME
 15. THEN/THAN
 16. ARE/OUR
 17. BRANG
 18. BOARD/BORED
 19. TO/TO E GOAT
 24. STEP FOOT
 25. NIPPED IN THE BUTT
- I HOPE NOT
 26. UP AND ATOM - WHAT?
 27. HOME IN
 28. SNEAK PEAK
 29. LEARNT
 30. PIECE OF MIND
 31. ADDICTING
 32. ECT
 33. ON ACCIDENT
 34. COMPLETE 360
 35. CARDSHARP
 36. PRINCIPLE/PRINCIPAL
 37. UPCOMING
 38. PEAKED/PEEKED INTEREST
 39. ATE
 40. I SEEN/I DONE

40 TOP SONGS

1. Uptown Funk - Mark Ronson ft. Bruno Mars
2. See You Again - Wiz Khalifa ft. Charlie Puth
3. Cheerleader - OMI
4. Blank Space - Taylor Swift
5. Lean On - Major Lazer & DJ Snake ft. MØ
6. Shake It Off - Taylor Swift
7. Hold Back The River - James Bay
8. Someone New - Hozier
9. Sandstorm - Darude
10. Sugar - Maroon 5
11. Bills - Lunch Money Lewis
12. Repeat - David Guetta ft. Jessie J
13. Runaway (U&I) - Galantis
14. King Kunta - Kendrick Lamar
15. Ring of Fire - Johnny Cash
16. Take Me To Church - Hozier
17. Budapest - George Ezra
18. Bad Blood - Taylor Swift
19. Stranger - Clean Bandit
20. Jackie and Wilson - Hozier
21. Photograph - Ed Sheeran
22. I Really Like You - Carly Rae Jepsen
23. King - Years and Years
24. Back to the Drawing Board - George Ezra
25. I Bet My Life - Imagine Dragons
26. Night Changes - One Direction
27. Anaconda - Nicki Minaj
28. Blame It On Me - George Ezra
29. Big Girls Cry - Sia
30. Superheroes - The Script
31. Say Something - A Great Big World & Christina Aguilera
32. Autumn Leaves - Chris Brown ft. Kendrick Lamar
33. 99 Problems - Jay-Z
34. The Kids Aren't Alright - Fall Out Boy
35. Heart is a Drum - Beck
36. Wesley's Theory - Kendrick Lamar ft. George Clinton & Thundercat
37. AYO - Chris Brown ft. Tyga
38. Brighter Day - Saint Raymond
39. All Day - Kanye West
40. Immortals - Fall Out Boy

Team Building

ON 10 MARCH ALL FIVE FORM 1 CLASSES WENT ON A TEAM BUILDING OUTING TO LARCH HILL.



LIAM IRWIN (1H), BEN SHAW (1S), ADAM KILLEEN (1G)



CAMILLA ANELE (1G)



EABHA HUGHES (1G)



LIGHTING A CAMPFIRE



CONOR SCHMIDT (1S)



ROPE SWING



OGHENEKARO OTOBO (1S)



JUMPING THROUGH HOOPS

LEAVING CERTIFICATE ART TRIP



The Leaving Certificate Art examination often asks questions about gallery visits so this year all senior art classes took a trip to two of Ireland's most famous museums, IMMA (the Irish Museum of Modern Art) and the National Archaeology Museum.

The day began when we made our own ways into town and met up outside the archaeology museum. As soon as the doors opened we got our worksheets and were off! We scoured the museum looking for specific objects and artefacts making sketches and drawings as we went. We explored the Treasures of Ireland exhibit which features some stunning works of early Irish art including the Tara brooch and the Ardagh chalice before spreading out into the rest of the vast museum. The bog bodies and the ancient Egyptian exhibits were class favourites.

Next after a lunch break and various modes of transportation we all arrived at IMMA. The old fashioned courtyard at the entrance gives few clues to the scope and variety of artistic work inside. Films, paintings, photos, artefacts, moving sculptures and more are all on display in this modern museum. IMMA hosts many changing exhibitions throughout the year but 'Primal Architecture' (a collection of abstract works with a lot to say on

controversial and contemporary topics) and 'Trove' (an eclectic collection of art and artefacts selected and arranged by Irish artist Dorothy Cross) were the featured ones during our visit.

We all learned a lot from our visits and would like to thank Ms Galligan, Ms Rogers and Mr Hanan for organising the trip and fielding all our questions on our way round. We can hopefully tackle any "art appreciation" essays they throw at us now!

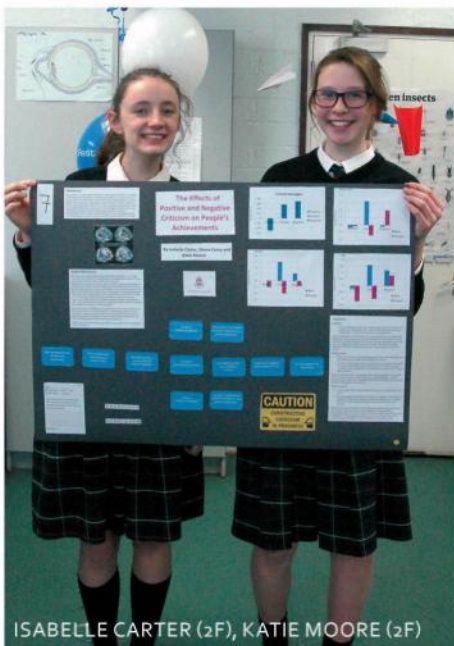
Orla Perdue (5LR)



FORM 5 AND 6 ART PUPILS IN FRONT OF 'THE DRUMMER' SCULPTURE OUTSIDE IMMA IN KILMAINHAM ABOVE AND GATHERED ON THE STEPS OF THE NATIONAL MUSEUM BELOW.



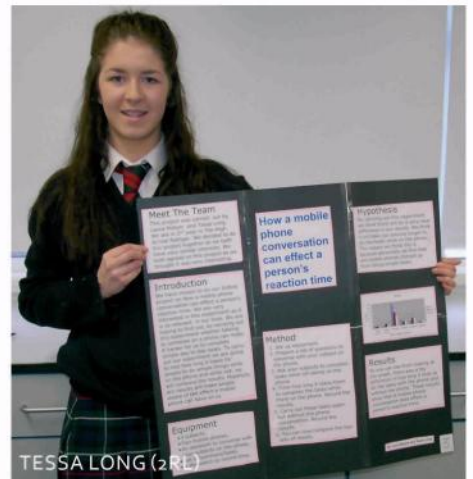
On 10 February the annual Scifest took place at The High School with Form 2 pupils conducting experiments on a variety of topics. Second year pupils worked in groups to create projects on their findings. This year's experiments included "Effects of positive and negative criticism on people's achievements", "The influence of music on mood" and "How mobile phone conversations can affect a person's reaction time".



ISABELLE CARTER (2F), KATIE MOORE (2F)



LEAH MERRIMAN (2RL), REBECCA O'FARRELL (2RL)



TESSA LONG (2RL)



GREEN SCHOOLS



Leinster Senior Premier League Victory

The High School emerged as worthy winners of the Leinster Senior Premier League following a pulsating final which featured a dramatic shift in momentum between the teams. An accomplished St. Gerard's School team dominated early on leading to a well deserved 2-0 lead within the opening 18 minutes. However, a close-range individual goal from Camille Christle (4B) following a rare HSD break-out reduced the gap to 2-1 by half time. The dominance achieved by The High School in the second half stood in stark contrast to that of the first half with Ailish Long (6RM), Mia Jennings (4HE), and Amy Byrne (5IW) using their pace to break down the opposition defence. The HSD Senior 1 team ran up a massive penalty corner count which featured Saoirse O' Donoghoe (6EH) smashing a couple of shots only inches wide on a couple of occasions. However, from the twelfth penalty corner a shot from the left of the circle struck by Emma Canning (5IW) was deflected by Ailish Long (6RM) to score the vital equaliser within six minutes of normal time to go. The High School continued to push on for the remainder of the tie as well as the two periods of silver goal extra time but there was no further score to break the deadlock. In the shoot-out that followed Saoirse O'Donoghoe (6EH), Ailish Long (6RM) and Mia Jennings (4HE) all scored to ensure that The High School secured the Leinster Senior Premier League for the first time in the history of that competition.

Ms S Jones



HIGH SCHOOL SPECTATORS ON THE EDGE OF THEIR SEATS



THE WINNING TEAM



EMMA CANNING



SAOIRSE O'DONOGHOE, AMY BYRNE, AILISH LONG, EMMA CANNING, MIA JENNINGS





Iceland Trip



On Monday 30 March 41 Geology and Geography pupils from Forms 4 and 5 met at Dublin airport for the first ever High School trip to Iceland.

After a two hour flight we arrived in Reykjavik where we first met our guide Christoph. From here we were brought on a tour around Reykjavik and caught our first glances of the many snow covered features we were going to see.

Bright and early the next day we left for the Golden Circle tour. It was here we saw geysers, volcanoes, waterfalls and a section of the mid-atlantic fault line. We even got to use an earthquake simulator which gave us an experience of what a real earthquake would feel like. We all found that interesting and loved the vast quantities of snow as well as the sights of the geysers erupting. That night we went on a quest to try and find the Aurora Borealis (Northern Lights). Christoph informed us that the temperatures would be as low as -20 degrees and to wrap up extremely warm! Adapting to the climate was a new experience for us all.

On day three of our trip we drove down to the very south of Iceland. Here we visited an extraordinary basalt rock beach where we saw sea stacks, stumps, arches and caves; all of which we have studied in school. We also saw the volcano Eyjafjallajökull which grabbed the world

headlines in 2010 when it erupted and caused global aviation problems due to the volcanic ash cloud emitted. Following that we visited the museum located beside it. This was particularly interesting because the museum was set up by the family who lived under the glacier and we were able to watch footage of their experience of the eruption that same day. We also visited a heritage village which depicted the lifestyle of early Icelandic people.

On the final day of our trip we visited the Blue Lagoon. This was an excellent end to the trip as we got to go swimming in the geothermally heated mineral rich water and were allowed to put the silica mud on our faces. The silica from the Blue Lagoon is known for being an excellent exfoliator and for having excellent anti-aging properties. This, for many, was the highlight of the trip and we left the Blue Lagoon feeling very relaxed.

Overall it was an unforgettable trip and very beneficial for our studies. We are grateful for the opportunity we got to visit such a unique country with its extraordinary culture. We would like to thank Ms Fallon, Ms Wilson, Ms Jones and Mr Sheehan for organising this very worthwhile trip.

Catherine Neenan and Orla Johnson, (5LR) Photos by Conor Ryan (5RH)





Transition Year Work Experience

For my second module of work experience I went to a primary school in Cerdanyola, on the outskirts of Barcelona. I spent my two weeks teaching English, Art and some Irish culture to the children in the school and also correcting exam papers. I organised this through my previous au pair, Virginia, who is currently teaching in the school and we had kept close contact with her and her family since she left eight years ago.

If I had a chance to do work experience again I would definitely travel to Spain and, for any future Transition Year pupils trying to plan their work experiences, I would extremely recommend pulling out all the stops and trying to make it as varied and adventurous as possible!

Sam Wright (4K)



I stayed in Virginia's parents house, who don't speak a word of English which helped me improve my Spanish a lot! I also got a good taste of the typical Catalan meals and also some of their culture and tourist attractions.

For two weeks in March I was lucky enough to get work experience in Google. I was brought into the corporation through security and my first set of days were spent patrolling the buildings. I was given the chance to work with sets of people involved in the AV department, with programmers and event managers. While I had to work quite hard, the perks of free food, swings and interactive walls definitely balanced the scales. I met some amazing people and it was an incredible opportunity. It was one of the best things I did in Transition Year.

Sophie Hayes (4K)



School started at half eight in the morning, we had three classes and then lunch at half eleven. This was a large break (siesta) when all the students and teachers went home. After lunch we would usually go to the swimming pool or for a walk with Virginia's son, Pedro. We had to be back into school for two thirty for a further two classes until four o'clock. After school Virginia had organised some Spanish friends for me to hang out with and we also went to the beach or sightseeing.

I am so glad that I got the opportunity to have this once in a lifetime experience to get an insight into what the Spanish education system is like and also to sample their quality of life.



FIRST ROUND OF THE VINNY MURRAY CUP MATCH

6 JANUARY 2014
SKERRIES COMMUNITY COLLEGE
VS THE HIGH SCHOOL AT
DANNYBROOK



ROBERTA MCCUNE (6GF)

PORTFOLIO SUCCESS

THIS YEAR, THREE OF THE HIGH SCHOOL'S PUPILS HAVE ACHIEVED DIRECT ENTRY THROUGH THEIR PORTFOLIO SUBMISSIONS TO NCAD AND DLIADT. CHARLOTTE KING AND JESSICA NEVILLE WILL TAKE UP THEIR PLACES IN NCAD IN SEPTEMBER AND ROBERTA MCCUNE WILL ATTEND THE ANIMATION COURSE IN DLIADT.



CHARLOTTE KING (6DM)



ROBERTA MCCUNE (6GF)

1S CSPE ACTION PROJECT IN AID OF THE BUBBLEGUM CLUB

In January this year, 1S CSPE organised a cake sale in aid of the Bubblegum Club, an organisation that arranges outings and events for terminally ill children and children in crisis. The Bubblegum Club is an Irish registered not for profit organisation whose mission is to provide extraordinary outings for extraordinary children, many of whom suffer from life-threatening illnesses, long-term debilitating illnesses or are disadvantaged in some other way.

The Bubblegum Club provides professional care in a fun environment – giving kids a great boost, but also providing a well-earned break for parents and carers. The Bubblegum Club was founded in 1994 by Peter Harris and has now helped almost 25,000 children. Peter Harris came to Assembly to talk to The High School about the work that he does with the Bubblegum Club and 1S presented him with a cheque.



JODIE MCAVINUE, ISABELLE HAYES, SOL BELL-MEGAW, CONOR SCHMIDT, ADAM MAGUIRE, LAURA TUIITE, MS WILSON AT THE CAKE SALE IN AID OF THE BUBBLEGUM CLUB



CONOR SCHMIDT, ADAM MAGUIRE, HARRY LYNCH, LAURA TUIITE



NATIONAL YOUTH ORCHESTRA OF IRELAND REPRESENTATION

This year five High School pupils - namely, Claire Austen, Luke Kehoe-Roche, William Le Bas, Ritchie Burbridge and Fiachra de hOra - were accepted into the prestigious National Youth Orchestra of Ireland, making The High School the second best represented school in the country. The talented musicians made it through a very competitive audition process to earn their places in this group, who aim to

inspire young Irish musicians through the study and performance of challenging and exciting repertoire. Over the course of the season they performed works including Debussy's La Mer, Tchaikovsky's Sleeping Beauty, and Dvorak's 7th Symphony at events such as the IAYO 20th Festival of Youth Orchestras, Video Games Live! at the Convention Centre, and the Lisbon Music Festival in Portugal. We should like to congratulate those involved on their wonderful achievement.



LEINSTER U13 LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to all members of the U13 boy's hockey squad who became Leinster League champions following victory in a highly competitive final match played against Wesley College. This is the first time that this distinction has been achieved in the history of the school.



MOCK CRAFT AND DRAWING EXAM WORK



ROBERTA MCCUNE (6GF)



SEACHTAIN NA GAEILGE AG AN ARD SCOIL

Ón 9ú lá go dtí an 17ú lá de Mhárta, bhí Seachtain na Gaeilge á chéiliúradh againn ag An Ard Scoil. Bhí a lán imeachtaí difriúla ar siúl i rith na seachtaine chun ár dteanga agus ár gcultúr a chéiliúradh. Chuireamar postaeir deasa ar fud na scoile agus bhí tráth na gceist agus céilithe ar siúl sa halla. D'imríomar peil ghaelach agus puc fada i gcoinne ranganna eile. Chomh maith le sin, chualathas ceol agus amhráin Ghaeilge ag an Tionól gach maidin. Bhain gach duine taitneamh as an seachtain agus bhí seans againn cúpla focal Gaeilge a labhairt freisin. Go raibh míle maith agaibh a mhúinteoirí as ucht an obair ar fad a ndearna sibh le linn na seachtaine.

**Clodagh Curran (5IW)
agus Sophie Harrison (5TP)**



Music Trip to Liverpool

On the 15 February, two teachers and ten students from Forms 3 and 5 met in Dublin Airport. Although we were all a bit tired, we were all very excited. We boarded the plane and landed just twenty five minutes later in the John Lennon Airport in Liverpool. From there we got a bus and headed to the Beatles Story. We walked around and, with our audio sets in hand, it proved to be hugely educational. From there we went to the Museum of Liverpool, which was an amazing museum and a stunning building that told the story of Liverpool and its people. That evening we enjoyed some delicious burgers and some serious bowling. It was a super end to a fantastic day.

The next morning we got up and had breakfast and were out of the hotel by 8 am. We made our way to Liverpool Lime Station to board a train to Euston Station London after two hours on the train, we pulled into the station. We went to the hotel and then headed into Central London to hit the shops. That evening we went to Pizza Express for dinner before

enjoying a fantastic performance of Wicked in the Apollo Victoria.

The next day we packed up, had breakfast, before enjoying a lovely walk through Hyde Park. We arrived at the Royal Albert Hall and we got a tour around the building. We got to see lots of rooms that the Royal family use when they come to see a show, including the Queen's toilet. After the tour we went to the Royal College of Music to see an exhibition in the museum. The exhibition contained ancient music and musical instruments. It was fascinating and very enjoyable. We walked back through Hyde Park and passed Buckingham Palace and then back to the hotel to relax before heading to Stansted Airport where we would board our plane back to Dublin.

The trip was unforgettable and we all had a fantastic time. We would all like to thank Ms White and Mr Carolan for organising it!

Sophie Harrison (5TP)



AOIFE DOMICAN (5LR), CHRISTINA LYNN (5IW), CHARLIE O'CONNOR (5LR), ADAM SHAW (5LR), CONOR DUFFY (5LR)

SCOTT GILLANDERS

1. For those of us that don't know, what is squash? JACK SCOLLARD (5DT)

You just hit a ball against four walls. It has to hit the front wall but you can hit any wall before that and you win the point when either it bounces twice or the other guy hits it out or misses the ball.

2. What words best describe the sport?

Eh *(thinking)* Tough. Fast paced. Fun.

3. How did you get involved in squash and what age were you when you started?

My dad played it and my brother and sister play it. I started when I was four.

4. How often do you train? What does your training involve?

I train every day. I go to the gym and I just hit the ball usually, and I have matches and training.

5. How long do you train for each day?

Two to four hours.

6. What has been your proudest squash achievement?

Probably winning a match against a senior who's ranked top five in Ireland.

7. Have ever been injured badly playing squash?

When I was twelve I was injured for six months. I tore my Achilles' tendon but I've changed the way I move so it's better now. Oh and I tore my abductor last year and I couldn't go to the Worlds so that was disappointing.

8. Have you travelled to any exotic locations for squash?

This summer I'll be going to Columbia for altitude training and probably Egypt this summer as well. And last year if I'd gone to the Worlds I would've been in Namibia but I was injured. But I've been all around Europe, like almost every country.

9. Which teacher do you think would make the best squash player?

(laughs) Mr. Giles probably. *(thinking)* Or... I don't know... Oh Mr Flynn actually.



10. Do you like eating squash? Do you like drinking squash?

(laughs) I like drinking squash. I don't like eating it. I don't think I've ever had it.

11. For anyone who is interested in getting involved in squash, any advice?

You can just find a club and start playing cause all you need is a racket and a ball. And you can play on your own or you can play with someone else. All you really have to do is run and hit the ball. And you burn like 1,000 calories an hour.

CHOIR 2014/2015

This year, the choir took part in a variety of activities, including the usual performances at prizegiving, the Christmas Carol service and the summer concert. We also had the honour of recording a song for the school website, written by Ms Burrowes' husband, Maurice McGrath. The song, "Till the Regiment Returns", is about soldiers' wives saying goodbye to their husbands. We had a wonderful time recording it and we are very grateful to have had the opportunity to do this. We would like to thank Ms Bourke for all her support and guidance this year.

Ilona Adams (5LC)

FIRST AID COURSE

In 2015 TY participated in a first aid course. The course lasted over three days, we were all split into groups and with an instructor we started to learn basic first aid training. I learnt a lot over the three days like simple bandages, slings and how to react to lots of different types of injuries. It was a very interesting and worthwhile course and I think we all learnt lots of new things.

Oliver McCluskie (4K)

CHEERLEADING

In August 2014, I was asked to join the National Irish Cheerleading team which would be taking part in the Cheerleading World Championships based in Orlando, Florida.

Since the start of September, my team and I worked very hard creating a routine which could only be two minutes and thirty seconds long. We conditioned, tumbled, stunted and endured lots of injuries just to reach the best of our abilities but every minute of training was worth it because when we finished competing at the World Championships, all we felt was joy and relief.

Our journey for the World Championships sounds easy but as Cheerleading is not considered a sport and is not really known in Ireland, we had no financial support. We all had to fundraise until we had hit our target of about €25,000. People also donated towards our journey, we are all very thankful to those who donated.

Naia Byrne-Paredes (2RN)

St Andrew's — One Act Drama Festival

On Wednesday 11 February nine pupils from The High School competed in the One Act Drama Festival held in St Andrew's College. The event was buzzing with excitement and there was a great sense of atmosphere and occasion in the theatre, or rather, the assembly hall. The HSD cast did a fantastic job and our play "Promises are Promises" by our own Mr Milofsky, was received with laughter, tears and applause on the night.

The entire group returned to the venue on Thursday 12th February for the adjudication part of the competition. The High School picked up an award with Aela O'Flynn (4B) earning a certificate for her 'portrayal of a female character' in her depiction of Shannon. The One Act Drama Festival was truly a worthwhile experience and being part of the 2015 team is something we will take with us through the rest of our school experience and beyond.

**Jason Cosgrave (5DT),
Stephen Doyle (5TP),
David Green (5LR),
Paige Leavy (5LC),
and Charlie O'Connor (5LR)**



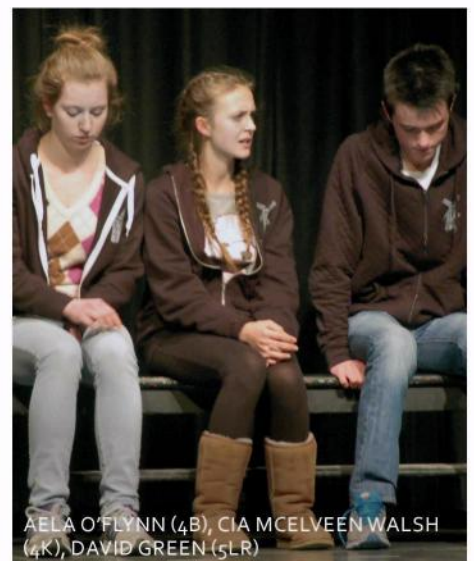
JASON COSGRAVE (5DT), STEPHEN DOYLE (5TP)



STEPHEN DOYLE (5TP), SOPHIE HAYES (4K),
SORCHA NI NEILL (4M)



DAVID GREEN (5LR) AND PAIGE LEAVY (5LC)



AELA O'FLYNN (4B), CIA MCELVEEN WALSH (4K), DAVID GREEN (5LR)

Senior Rugby Boys Tour to Scotland





Ski Trip



3RD TERM

Habitat

We woke up on Friday 27 March raring to set off on the journey we had been waiting, fundraising and preparing for since May 2014. As we arrived in Dublin airport, we were filled with high hopes and spirits for what was to come. Once assembled we swiftly said our final goodbyes and were at last on our way to the warm heart of Africa, as Malawi is often referred as. Our journey consisted of a brief flight to Heathrow, a tedious 6 hour wait, our long haul flight to Addis Ababa and finally, our quick and final flight to Lilongwe, Malawi. My first glimpse of Malawi came through the small window of the plane. I was initially struck by how green and beautiful the landscape was, with grassy plains stretching for miles in every direction with maize fields widely inhabiting the land. Malawi is highly dependent on the crop of maize and, despite efforts to diversify the crops, old habits die hard and this was something which would not change in the foreseeable future. Malawi lies south of the Horn of Africa and is situated along the shores of Lake Malawi. Although Malawi has an abundance of water in this regard, the country lacks infrastructure and there is no irrigation system to transport this water to where it is needed. Due to this, Malawi is hit hard when the rain does not come, and much of the population suffers malnutrition and the child mortality rate is high. Malawi is one of the poorest countries in the world right now in terms of GDP per capita. All these factors make it a prime target for Habitat for Humanity as 4 out of 5 families live in substandard homes, with little hope of ever escaping this poverty.



Once in the airport of the capital, Lilongwe, we received some grave news; our bags had not arrived and their arrival date was still to be confirmed. We arrived at our accommodation for the night where we had a gratifying shower and meal. We then ventured to the Irish Ambassador for Malawi's home and despite it being insightful into the people of Malawi and what we would be faced with, we were all very tired after our mammoth journey. The next day we rose at a reasonable time and set off to retrieve our baggage at the airport which may or may not have arrived. Here we first experienced the hot sun of Africa beating down on us relentlessly. I and some others relished this whereas some were struggling with the threat of sunburn without our suncream which of course hadn't arrived. We were then greeted with the news that only half of our bags had arrived, mine not included. After this we set off to our final destination, where we would be staying for the majority of our time away. Along this road trip we discovered just how friendly the people were, with smiles and waves being received and returned at every twist and turn along the dusty roads. I was also surprised to see that most of the transportation was done by bicycle, which I learned acted as a sort of public transport for most of the rural area. We arrived at our accommodation quite tired after yet another day of travel. We were greeted by Emmanuel and Faith our Habitat representatives in Malawi, who taught us some words of the local language of Chichewa such as "bo" meaning "hello" and "zikomo"



meaning "thank you". In the evening we received what was to be the first of many power cuts and, due to this, my first sleep was difficult as the room became very hot.

The next morning we woke at the early hour of 6 o'clock excited and at the same time wary for our first day on site. We arrived at the village we would be building in and underwent a surreal experience that none of us will ever forget. The locals surrounded our bus and, during the lashing rain, sang and danced to welcome us to our town. They were relentless, the atmosphere in the air was electric and it was nothing like anything I was likely to experience again. We were introduced to the builders who would be helping us and swiftly got off to work. We were greeted by three separate sites and the team was split up to attend to two for this day. Mr Rankin left us after this to visit the airport in hopes of our baggage having arrived, which thankfully it did, barring Mr Barry's bag which never did arrive and he was forced to borrow clothing for the whole trip.

Work consisted of the laying of 'matope' (the local word for mortar) which is widely regarded by the Habitat team to be the greatest material known to man, mainly due to me and Oisin's advertisement and constant chattering about it. Matope was made by simply digging a hole, pouring the water from the well over it, and mixing it with a shovel and hoe. We then placed the bricks on top and continued this process, building the walls up bit by bit, in

the hopes that we would have three houses to show for our work by the end, an ambitious proposal. We were to work from 8 until 4 everyday, taking an hour for lunch. Work proved to be hard but extremely satisfying as you watched your own 'personal' wall as you saw it, climb higher and higher throughout the days. We discovered that of the three families, none of the children's fathers were living with them and that the mothers were taking the burden of supporting a family by themselves. Meeting these families and hearing their story was further motivation for the team to finish these houses as quickly as we possibly could.

A major part of our time in the village was our integration and interaction with the local people, mostly the children of the village. The kids were never without a smile on their faces despite the difficult situations they face. They were constantly ecstatic and had no lack of energy throughout the day. At times, playing with the kids could be just as tiring as working. We played games such as hoke poke, which swiftly became tiresome due to the monotony of it. Our attempts to come up with, and introduce new games, were hit and miss but every now and then we would strike gold with a game that the kids loved. The older youth would generally stay away from the childish games but would love to join in a game of football once we released the ones we had brought. Occasionally we would play a small game with a "first to two goals, winner stays on" kind of scenario. What surprised and impressed us all whilst playing this was that when a small kid would get knocked over or hit in the face with a ball, a hush would go over us thinking we would have a weeping child on our hands. But we quickly came to realise that they would all begin laughing, as would the kid who had got hurt. This was a stark contrast to the children of Ireland and something which was delightful to see. Another aspect of our introduction to their ways and cultures, was the dances and songs they would involve us in. They formed these circles and sang a song whilst, every now and then, one or two people would hop into the centre and perform a dance. Eventually we would catch on and begin to hop in ourselves and on Wednesday, once finished working, all the women of the village came out to join in with us. They wrapped some of their shawls around us and got us to dance with them in the centre. The air was buzzing with



energy, everyone there was lost in the moment and having the time of their lives, a truly unforgettable experience.

But alongside all the joy and festivities, there was also some morally taxing and tough situations we had to go through such as eating in front of the kids many of them malnourished, with swollen bellies. We overcame this by playing with them whilst others ate and vice versa but it was still emotionally hard knowing we couldn't give them anything. Another situation that could occur was, the kids could ask for something as simple to us as an empty water bottle, which was a valuable commodity to them. Of course, we couldn't hand any of these kind of items out due to the jealousy that would ensue, so we would frequently have to say no to the children.

On the Saturday we were to finish up and then have a presentation of the houses ceremony. We had three houses built to varying extents. Our third house was the furthest along, with a full roof and close to completion floor, whereas the other two were built to roof level but the roof was yet to go up. This was an impressive feat as we had faced a few setbacks, such as our walls falling down on the second day due to heavy rainfall. This demoralising event was swiftly moved past but on the third day we decided to go to a different village to put the floors in on close to completion houses as the rain was too heavy to work on houses at our stage. The rain of course cleared up by eleven but we stayed until lunchtime, putting the floors in on three houses which consisted of broken half bricks covered by a layer of cement. During this Saturday we added our finishing touches to our houses and then went about decorating the houses

and filling a room full of balloons which we handed out to the kids much to their excitement. We then held a ceremony of sorts with the whole village. We sang a fairly awful rendition of Galway girl and a powerful, patriotic blaring out of Fields of Athenry. The men of the village then sang a song which was quite fantastic and put us to shame. The women then put on a drama and, despite the language barrier, we were still entertained and it was quite humorous. We then followed with an attempt at a céilí, which became a fantastic occasion when we all paired off with a kid and taught them of our little knowledge of Irish dance. Speeches were given with our main man Emmanuel translating them across for us. These speeches were heartfelt and thankful and gave me quite a sense of the impact of the work and fundraising I had undertaken and what it meant to the whole village, not only the families receiving a home. After this amazing day we eventually brought ourselves to leave with many shouts of "zikomo" from both parties. It was sad to see the kids saying "see you tomorrow" and there were some teary eyes in our group, not going to name any names. But all in all we were content with what we had got done and I had made my peace with leaving the village behind.

Then came our recreational portion of the trip. I will firstly mention that on Good Friday we spent the first half of the day visiting a local safari as the workers were not willing to work for too long due to the religious aspect. At this safari we drove around and witnesses ostriches, zebras, camels and an unknown, to me, breed of antelope. But mostly we saw grass, grass and more grass, if I were to be cynical, as there was quite a lot of driving through the plains without much sign of wildlife.



I enjoyed my first taste of some African wildlife and was excited for the safari trip, which was to be the main post building event. On the Sunday, we began our trip to the safari. In the morning we had a just about bearable five hour drive but eventually arrived with a boat trip across to our campsite and, once we had set up our tents, a blissful and long awaited swim. After this, we were treated to a cup of tea and then set off on our day time safari. We were driven through the plains with our tour guide giving us tit bits of information about the animals and their ecosystem. This safari accentuated what I believed an African safari to be like, with a sluggish, wide river flowing through its core where hippos would stroll about lazily. And alongside this, wide open plains with herds of antelope elegantly loping around and the occasional magnificent elephant strutting about. We eventually stopped at the river bank where we relaxed with a drink and watched the sun go down. After the setting of the sun we went on a night safari which was quite atmospheric and peaceful. Eventually it came to a close and we gratefully climbed into our tents and slept. The next morning we woke up at half five so as to fit in a swim and thereafter went on a boat safari where we witnessed many rafts of hippos and the occasional crocodile lurking on the

shoreline. Overall, the safari experience was fantastic and something I would recommend to anyone to undertake.

Our trip was now coming to a close with a supposedly three hour bus ride to our final hostel, which, ended up taking seven hours to the team's distress. Here we relaxed and reflected on everything we had just been through. We woke up the next day sad to be saying goodbye to the wonderful country of Malawi. I believe I speak for everyone on the team when I say that it was a truly life changing and unforgettable experience. I would like to say thank you to the wonderful company I enjoyed. I would like to thank our squad of six teachers, Mr Barry, Ms Rellis, Mr Sullivan, Ms Bennett and lastly our team leader, Mr Rankin for giving up their Easter to look after us, although I do reckon that they enjoyed it just as much as we did. And lastly thank you to all that helped out with fundraising, whether it was a donation or giving up your time to bag pack, without you the trip wouldn't have happened, so I am forever grateful.

Charlie Kerr (5JC)



Jane Austen Night



Junior Drama

This year, Junior Drama held a production which any pupil from Forms 1 and 2 could take part in. This year's production was "The Snow Queen" by Hans Christian Anderson, adapted by Ron Nicol.

It features a young girl, Gerda - Emily Clinch (1S) and her best friend Kai - Nathan Hutchinson-Edgar (1H) who live with her Grandmother - Katie Moore (2F). As they are watching snow fall, Kai insults the Snow Queen - Amy Scollard (2W), blissfully unaware of her presence less than a few metres away from him. She angrily throws pieces of the "Troll Mirror", a magical mirror that has the ability to make anything beautiful small and ugly, into his heart making it a lump of ice and into his eye, making everything look ugly to him. He insults Grandmother and Gerda and storms out. He gets himself abducted by the Snow Queen, who takes him to her palace. Gerda starts out on a quest to rescue him.

It is narrated by the Old Troll - Callum O' Dwyer (2W) who is explaining the story to his naughty class of trolls. As Gerda goes along her quest, she is aided by a Wild Crow - Chloe Holmes (1R), a Prince - Sol Wynne (2RL) and Princess - Leah Merriman (2RL), a Robber Girl - Ellen Treacy-McGee (2W) and many more.

The play was wonderfully directed and produced by Ms Browne and Mr Milofsky aided by a number of senior pupils including; David Brusey (6MB), Sophie Harrison (5TP), Clodagh Curran (5IW), Ritchie Burbridge (5DT), Lionel Deverell (4B), Paige Leavy (5LC), Charlie O' Connor (5LR) and Joe Kiely Fox (5DT). The play was carried by the beautiful music by Alex Felle (5DT), Adam Shaw (5LR) and William Le Bas (5DT).

Special thanks to Mr Gill (sound), Ms Stevenson (refreshments), Mr Rankin (lighting), Sarge and ancillary team.

It was an entertaining night and I am glad everyone took part to create such a magical event!

Ellen Treacy-McGee (2W)

RIGHT: SHONA CAREY (2F), NATHAN HUTCHINSON-EDGAR (1H) AND ISABELLE CARTER (2F)



EVA VALENTINE (1G) AND LAURA TUIITE (1S)



LUCY BRENNAN (1H) AND SARAH WEBB (1S)



CHLOE HOLMES (1R) AND KATIE MOORE (2F)



AMY BOYD (2F), CALLUM O'DWYER (2W), MR MILOFSKY, EVA VALENTINE (1G)



ALISON LANDY (1H)

LIBRARY

The Library Committee has been hard at work throughout this year organizing various events and fundraising for many charities throughout the year. Here are some highlights from the year...

CHRISTMAS ART COMPETITION

The theme for the Christmas Art competition was "Global Christmas".

The winners of the completion were as follows:

Most Original: Alara Tobin (1R) and Ellen Treacy McGee (2W)

Nearest to Theme: Chloe Holmes (1R) and Eva Kenna (2RL)

Most Artistic: Giulia Guastalla (1R) and Hannah Kerr (2W)

Best Drawing: Anna Lyons (1R) and Molly Sheridan (2F)

Congratulations to all entrants on the standard of work submitted to the Christmas Art competition this year.

1ST YEAR LIBRARY AWARDS

Best Reader: Ruth Ninan (1H), Siobhan Trimmer (1W)

Most Improved: Isabel Dunne (1S)

Best Contribution to the Library: Nathan Hutchinson-Edgar

2nd Special Library Award:

Hannah Vance Cronin (2J), Eva Kenna (2RL) and Áine Ryan for their contribution to the library of making of the Autograph Tree to mark Yeats' 150th anniversary.



LIBRARY COMMITTEE

The Library Committee are a group of students from Forms 1 and 2 who helped Mrs King in the library. The Library Committee head in 2014-2015 was Niall Lynch, the deputy head was Áine Ryan and the Secretary was Callum O'Dwyer.

Over the school year the committee put up numerous displays. These included ones on Shakespeare's birthday, Pi, World War I, and Europe Day.

The Library Committee also erected a display about WB Yeats as it was his 150th birthday. They went to the Archives to get records of Yeats' attendance at The High School and the storyteller Jack Lynch came in for the day. Three members of the committee made the autograph tree on which people hung leaves with poetry by Yeats written on them.

Each week a new quote, riddle or word was displayed, and people had to guess who said the quote, what the word means, or the answer to the riddle. On Fridays there was a quiz in the library, and debating on Monday, looked after by Ms Hilliard.

Thank you to Mrs King for everything she does in the library.

Nathan Hutchinson Edgar (1H)



LOLLIPOP DAY

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Library Committee's Lollipop Day in aid of The Oesophageal Cancer Fund. The substantial sum of €500 was raised. We should like to thank Mrs King and the committee for organizing the event.

IRISH CANCER SOCIETY APPEAL

The Library Committee is grateful to all those who contributed to the Action Breast Cancer appeal on Pink Ribbon Day. The sum of €250 was raised to support the invaluable work of the Irish Cancer Society. We should like to thank everyone who helped to sell items on behalf of the Irish Cancer Society and Mrs. King for organizing the event.

Callum O'Dwyer (2W)

PI DAY

On the 14 March Form 1 classes went up to the library to celebrate Pi Day. We took part in competitions and ate delicious pies with the Pi symbol on it. We should like to thank Mr Gill and Mrs King for organizing the event. The 14 March is used to celebrate the number Pi because the first three numbers of Pi are 3.14. Pi day was not just to celebrate pies; it was to celebrate the mathematical number that is 3.14159 or Pi. This number was used to answer the greatest mathematical question: "What is the area of a circle?" Pi is written as the Greek letter for P.



Harry Potter Week

This April, 1R enjoyed a Harry Potter week of activities, which involved them making a bargain: if they promised to read the first novel, 'Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone' over Easter, then they would have a week of fun, wizard-related activities in English class. Luckily, the pupils were keen and they enjoyed quizzes and games, being sorted into houses by the sorting hat, watching some of the movie and a Harry Potter party. Ms Burrowes surprised them by organising a visit from a real-life slippery snake and hairy spider, while the pupils, Giulia, Alana and Chloe, surprised Ms Burrowes with their amazing Harry Potter cakes! Thanks to Form 4 pupil Jamie Gleeson-Dunn who brought his pets to school with him that day, just to surprise the eager first years. Nicely done, Jamie!

Ms M Burrowes



THE AUTOGRAPH TREE

In memory and celebration of WB Yeats, The High School library committee decided to mark Yeats' 150th anniversary by making an Autograph Tree, inspired by the autograph tree at Coole Park, Galway.

We got together to brainstorm and came up with an idea of how to make it. We gathered branches and cut out over two hundred leaves for other pupils to write on and hang up on the tree.

Overall, our celebration of Yeats' anniversary was very successful with now over one hundred leaves hanging on our tree! We'd like to give a huge thank you to Mrs King for supplying us with the materials we needed and also to everyone who hung a leaf on the tree and making it look so nice!

**Hannah Vance-Cronin (2J),
Eva Kenna (2RL), Áine Ryan (2J)**



MR MC BRIDE BRAVELY HANDLES THE SNAKE

Quidditch

On 15 May, Transition Year pupils enjoyed a game of Harry Potter style Quidditch. With hockey sticks for broomsticks, pupils 'flew' around the rugby pitch. The object of the game is to score more points than your opponents' team. Each goal is worth ten points and catching the snitch (in HSD's case this role is played by a pupil rather than a flying ball), ends the game. This game, based on the Wizarding sport from the Harry Potter novels, has become a popular muggle (human) sport worldwide.



THE QUIDDITCH TEAMS WITH MS BURROWES



HOCKEY STICKS SERVE AS FLYING BROOMSTICKS



MS GRAY REFEREES THE MATCH



DAVID O'BRIEN (4M), CONOR EMPEY (4M)



RACHEL FERGUSON (4M), DAVID O'BRIEN (4M)



THE HAPPY SPECTATORS



THE SIX NATIONS CUP CAME TO VISIT THE HIGH SCHOOL





Madrid Cultural Trip

At 2pm on Friday 1 May, 38 Form 4 pupils, 4 teachers (Ms White, Mr Power, Dr Stuart and Mr Barry) and 42 over-packed suitcases assembled by the escalators in Terminal 2. Excited for what was to come, we all made our way through the airport, landing in Madrid by 7pm.

After an evening settling in to our hotel, we were up early to visit the beautiful El Escorial monastery just outside the city. Once everyone made their way out of the monastery's 160 kilometres of corridors, we moved on to the neighbouring town of Segovia for lunch and souvenirs.

Several selfie-sticks heavier than before, our bus dropped us off at the famous Prado Museum of Art. The Prado was incredible; even those of us that don't usually appreciate art took interest in the paintings and sculptures. After a much-needed dinner at the Hard Rock Café, we spent the evening bowling.

Not everyone got as much sleep as they would have liked after such an eventful day, but it didn't stop us from being up on time to visit the Reina Sofia modern art museum, which was really interesting and the first time many of us saw modern art. The highlight of the trip had to be the theme park - a six-hour race to see who could fit in the most rollercoaster rides. After spending far too much money on rollercoaster pictures and trying to win suitcase-sized cartoon animals, we reluctantly left Parque de Atracciones and went for dinner in a shopping centre in the heart of Madrid.

How the teachers managed to get 38 adrenaline-buzzed teenagers to bed by 2am we'll never know, but the next day we were thankful to be able to fully enjoy the walking tour of Madrid and the tour of the Santiago Bernabeu stadium. The Bernabeu was particularly

amazing, especially for the people with an interest in football. It was a cheerful but sleep-deprived group that arrived in Dublin airport on Monday night. Everyone was thankful to have been part of such a wonderful trip to a beautiful city, but also sad that the trip was over. The cultural trip was definitely one of the highlights of Transition Year for those who went on it.

**Kate O'Shea (4B),
Dearbhla Forde-Morrin (4HE)**

CHESS CLUB

Chess Club was held by Mr Griffin in his room every Thursday at Junior Break. Two teams entered an inter-school chess competition in the Green Isle Hotel in the summer term. One team consisted of Oscar Higgins, Nathan Hutchinson Edgar, Coen Olofsson and Denny Stupakov. The other team was made up of Nathan Shaw, James Carter, Éanna Curran and James Metoudi. They came second in their league.

Nathan Hutchinson Edgar

FILM CLUB

Film Club was held by Ms Lyons in the Loft at Junior Break on Tuesdays and Thursdays. We watched a variety of movies such as "Joyeux Noel", "Paths of Glory" and "The Hobbit". It was an enjoyable way to spend break.

Nathan Hutchinson Edgar (1H)



MOCK INTERVIEWS

THE HSD ANNUAL MOCK INTERVIEWS TOOK PLACE ON THE 10 MARCH THIS YEAR. FORM 5 PUPILS FOUND THEM EXTREMELY BENEFICIAL AS PART OF THEIR CAREERS COURSE.



MS MCDONNELL, ALISTAIR RIDYARD (5DT)



TOM FARRELLY (5LC), MAX CLARK (5TP)



MICHAELA RYNNE (5DT), JACK SCOLLARD (5DT)



CONOR DUFFY(5LR) , EVAN COOPER (5LR)



CHARLIE O'CONNOR (5LR), EOIN FAUST (5LR), JOE KIELY FOX (5DT), NEBOJSA CVETKOVIC (5LC), WILLIAM LEBAS (5DT)



Transition Year Modules

CULINARY SKILLS

The Culinary Skills module was one of the most enjoyable courses in Transition Year. We learned how to cook a range of dishes from cookies to fajitas. As someone who had no idea how to cook this module has been really good as we learnt lots of new skill and techniques. Then, at the end, we got a book of recipes from everything that we cooked so that we can use them at home. I recommend this module to all Form 4.

Sorcha Ní Neil (4M)

PHOTOGRAPHY

As part of the D module in the second part of this year, I took part in Photography. We teamed up with the Art class to create stop-motion movies. We learned a lot about lighting, editing and much more. It was a really enjoyable module and would recommend it to anyone, creative or not.

Lauren Styles (4F)

JUDO

As part of my Transition Year, I took part in the Judo C option for the second half of the year. The module taught us self defence and a range of basic groundwork, throwing and combination techniques while also being enjoyable and a nice break from the usual, classroom-based learning.

By the end of the year, we had all earned white and yellow belts in judo, as well as enjoying ourselves and finding a new sport that we were interested in. I'm really grateful that I got the opportunity to learn a new skill as part of Transition Year, and I would definitely recommend Judo to anyone choosing their classes for Transition Year.

Cia McElveen Walsh (4K)

ROCK-POP SHOW

This year for our C module in Form 4, a group of us choose dance, and another group choose music. This was all in preparation for the Rock-Pop show at Christmas. There would be musical acts including a band playing, duets and solo pieces, and two dances that we learned earlier that year. When it came to the day of the Rock-Pop Show, everyone was really nervous, but we were all excited! To get us all started, the band began the night with a classic, continued on with some solos and duets from the other singers, then we did one of our dances, they all went to plan and it was a great success. I'd like to thank Ms Roullet and Ms Bourke for all their hard work throughout the year and during the show!

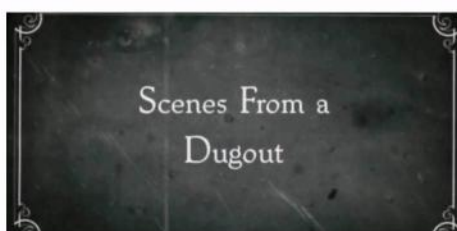
Catherine Harris (4HE)



SCENES FROM A DUGOUT

This year, pupils in 4M visited the Irish Military Museum in Drogheda to make a docu-drama about the lives of soldiers in The Great War. They rehearsed their lines and donned the clothes of WWI soldiers, in a re-enactment trench. Then they read through the diaries and letters that we had collected as part of their research into The High School soldiers who died in WWI. The video, 'Scenes from a Dugout', with original music by composer Maurice McGrath, can be seen on the HSD War Stories website at www.hsdwarstories.com

Ms M Burrowes



First things first ...

Q1) Where will you teach?

- A) A floor of course!
- B) B floor
- C) C floor, it is the coolest
- D) I'll teach from in here *points to heart*
- E) Anywhere so long as I can slowly make it a home from home

Q2) Describe your future classroom in one word?

- A) Messy
- B) Informative
- C) Bright
- D) Poster-filled
- E) Room

Q3) Your current favourite subject is?

- A) A language
- B) PE fo' sho'
- C) A science
- D) An arts subject
- E) All of them, or none of them

Now on to the real questions ...

Q4) In another life what would you be?

- A) A writer
- B) A sports sensation
- C) A mad scientist
- D) A gladiator
- E) Isn't being a teacher already my alternative life in this scenario?

Q5) Pick an emoji.

- A) B) C) D) E)



Q6) What is your spirit animal?

- A) A badger
- B) A lynx
- C) A praying mantis
- D) A meerkat
- E) Some kind of owl, preferably one with spectacles



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QUIZZES

Which Teacher Would You Be?

You Got ...

Mostly A's – Mr Prendergast

You're cool, calm and collected yet also enthusiastic about everything. Get yourself down to A8

Mostly B's – Ms Jones

Of course teaching is your main passion but you do have a soft spot for all things sporty as well as a very competitive spirit.

Mostly C's – Dr Whitford

A scientist to the core, you're focused on seeing things through even if it could cause the odd fire drill.

Mosly D's – Mr Milofsky

Easy-going and objective, you know your subject above all else but your general knowledge does come in handy at the odd trivia quiz.

Mostly E's – Mr Giles

Eccentric and passionate you knew exactly who you'd be from the moment you started this quiz. Even if you didn't know you knew it.

CAN YOU SURVIVE LUNCHTIME AT HSD?

FOLLOW THE PATH THROUGH HSD LUNCHTIME, MAKING YOUR OWN DECISIONS THAT HAVE THEIR OWN CONSEQUENCES. WILL YOU SUCCEED IN THE QUEST FOR FOOD? WILL YOU EVEN SURVIVE??





Othello



LEINSTER SENIOR TABLE TENNIS SUCCESS

The High School enjoyed competitive success this April in the sport of Table Tennis when the Senior Girls' Table Tennis team entered the Leinster Schools competition for the first time in the history of the school. The HSD team competed against a range of experienced players from other schools before qualifying for the Leinster Senior final. The matches were closely contested resulting in bronze medals being awarded to The High School team.

VILLAGE FRANÇAIS

Monday 18 May saw the culmination of the Form 4 French classes' work on shopping and transactional phrases as The Reynolds Hall was transformed in to a 'Village Français'. Mrs Ennis, Ms Roulet and Ms White's classes had been given the task of working in groups to create a variety of different shops and stalls that would make up the village, using solely French to advertise and sell their wares. Students from Forms 1 and 2 French classes were also invited to the event to practise their French to buy some of the array of products on offer, from healthy shakes to delicious ice creams. Some students displayed incredible entrepreneurial flair creating interesting products such as 'Mancakes' or 'les crêpes pour les mecs', others demonstrated their culinary skills with tasty cakes and some keen business acumen with very healthy profit margins. It was a hugely enjoyable event and raised €233 for the Unicef appeal in Nepal.

Mrs S Ennis



RUTH FERGUSON (6RM), EVA KELLY (6RM), KATIE O'CONNOR (5TH), SIÂN BOLGER (4M)



KATIE O'CONNOR (5TH)



RUTH FERGUSON (6RM)

ON 19 MAY THE CLASS OF 2015 ENJOYED THEIR LAST DAY AT THE HIGH SCHOOL BEFORE THEIR LEAVING CERTIFICATE



FORM 6 LEAVE THE REYNOLD'S HALL AFTER THEIR FINAL ASSEMBLY

TROOPER CHARLIE

INTERVIEW BY ALANNAH O'REILLY (5IW)
AND AMY BYRNE (5IW)

QUESTION: Where did you get the name Trooper Charlie?

ANSWER: We put 20 words in a hat and then picked out two. Victor chose Trooper and Luke chose Charlie. Originally it was for the name of the song that is now called "Away" but then we decided to use it as the band name instead, becoming Trooper Charlie Himself. When we were in the recording studio, the producer suggested we change it to just Trooper Charlie.

QUESTION: Who are your musical inspirations?

ANSWER: Two Door Cinema Club, Red Hot Chilli Peppers, Arctic Monkeys and Mumford & Sons.

QUESTION: When did you start playing together?

ANSWER: About first year. We were all in the same Form (1C) so we started playing together in general music classes. At the start, a group of us went to Luke's house and we were playing a song by The Script.

QUESTION: When was your first gig together?

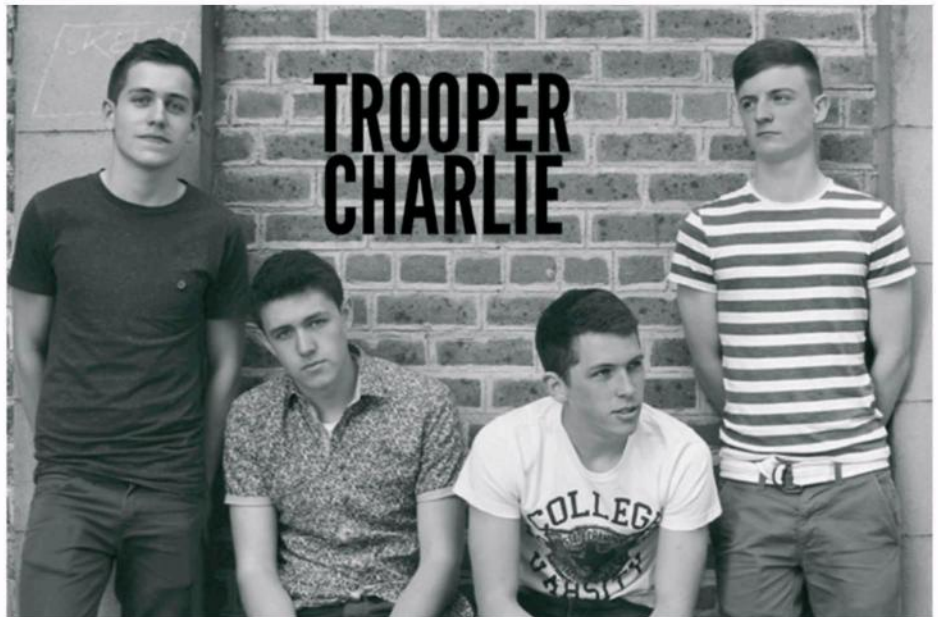
ANSWER: We played the Battle of the Bands in Form 2 that we won in Form 5. The first gig we played was us three and Zach and Evan and we were really bad but it was good craic. It was our first time live and the whole year turned out to come and watch and we didn't even know how to work the amp. We played "Plug in Baby" by Muse.

QUESTION: Have you ever recorded any of your music?

ANSWER: We wrote 4 or 5 songs and recorded them in a studio. We spent 13 hours in studio and it was pretty cool, just seeing how everything works.

QUESTION: Who funded your time in the studio?

ANSWER: Our mommys and daddys.



QUESTION: Did you find it hard this year finding time to practice?

ANSWER: No, not really. We've practiced every lunch break this year. Thanks Ms Bourke.

QUESTION: Where else have you played?

ANSWER: We won the Stratford Battle of the Bands and came second in the Sandford Battle of the Bands... we should have won though. We want to play live as much as we can this summer and just get our name out there.

QUESTION: Where do you plan on playing?

ANSWER: Everywhere! Everywhere and anywhere. Anywhere that will take us.

QUESTION: Do you sing your own songs or covers?

ANSWER: Mostly our own songs and only covers if we have to.

QUESTION: What's your favourite original song?

ANSWER: Every song you write is the best for about 3 weeks until you get sick of playing it.

QUESTION: What is your best memory together?

ANSWER: We drove down to Luke's house in Wexford and set everything up in his sitting room and just jammed. We pretty much played from 6 am until 1 am just doing a load of covers. The other one would probably be winning the Battle of the Bands and hearing your name being called out.

QUESTION: What do you want to do after school?

ANSWER: Preferably become rock stars and be a proper band.

QUESTION: Where can people keep up to date with what you guys are doing?

ANSWER: Our Facebook page, Soundcloud and YouTube Channel.



TROOPER CHARLIE PLAYING "IT GETS YOU"
AT STRATFORD BATTLE OF THE BANDS 2014

Model United Nations



MODEL UNITED NATIONS

BACK ROW: KATIE O'CONNOR, SARAH STAFFORD-LANGAN, CHLOE MANAHAN, LEAH TUOHY, ADAM SHAW, NEIL DUNNE, JASON COSGROVE, STEPHEN CROSBY, IFEDAYO AKINSULI, DYLAN LEWIS, SEAMAS MACLACHLAINN, MONA ANELE, MS RELLIS

FRONT ROW: RORY COSGROVE, ALANNAH O'REILLY, CATHERINE NEENAN, EMILY NÍ RIAIN, EVIE MCCLAFFERTY, ISABELLE GERAGHTY, MEGAN O'BYRNE, KATE HUNTER-HANLEY, LEONARD IDIAKHOU

MS RELLIS INTERVIEW

K + I: What's your favourite High School memory?

Ms Rellis: My favourite High School memory? There are so many...

K: Anything funny in the lab for example?

MR: There've been a few incidents in the lab alright, but they aren't my favourite memories. I suppose everything with MUN, the girls in this year's delegation, and how happy they were. Yes, winning MUN for Vietnam!

I: How long have you been teaching in High School?

MR: This is my eighth year! It doesn't feel like eight years. It feels like about two years ago that I joined.

K: The next question is who's your favourite person in MUN?

MR: Where to start? They're all my favourite, everybody brings an individual unique characteristic to MUN and it's the combination of those characteristics that makes MUN what it is!

K: What's your favourite MUNory? As in memory but in MUN.

MR: MUNory? *Laughs.* My favourite MUNory? Well from when I did MUN or from when you guys did MUN?

K: Well we've already had one from ours, so from when you were a pupil!

MR: Definitely chairing at The Hague. As an advisor, I don't know, that's very difficult! What's your favourite MUN memory?

K: Every MUN memory!

MR: See that's exactly it! Every group is different; they're all unique!

K: Are you Plutonium Nitrogen Potassium?

MR: Thinking... Pu... N... K! *Laughs.*

I: Who's the most sarcastic teacher?

MR: Me!

K: Do you have any sarcasm wars with anyone?

MR: Mr Gill, yes.

K: Is there competition between Biology and Chemistry?

MR: I think there's a symbiotic relationship between all the sciences, we all appreciate each other.

I: Even physics?

MR: Physics is symbiotic too!

I+K: Who's the most competitive teacher?

MR: This is a dangerous question. *Laughs.* On the sports field it'd have to be, can I say this? I'd have to say, we're all kind of competitive, but Ms Rugg and Mr Keegan? Yeah, they're my two. I'll just have to tell them I've said this.

I+K: We have to ask; what's the story about getting bitten by a monkey?

MR: *Laughs.* I knew this was going to come up! I was bitten by a monkey! I'll send you a picture, I have a picture of the monkey pre-attack! I was in Thailand, on an island and I didn't realise I had a packet of M&Ms in my bag, because you're not allowed have food with you. So the monkey came up to me and started going for my bag. There was a second

where it made a face. Then it attacked!

It just jumped onto my back. I started screaming and all the locals are laughing and all the tourists started going AGHHH, and then this girl came up with this branch - her monkey shooing branch - getting rid of the monkey. I had to carry that around with me for the rest of the day. I was absolutely terrified!

K: Did it actually bite you?

MR: Well it didn't break the skin but it was terrifying, and all I could think of during this whole thing, during the whole attack, was my rabies shot that I hadn't had!

K+I: Oh no!

MR: I know! But who gets bitten by a monkey?! That doesn't happen! So that's my getting bitten by a monkey story. It was terrifying!

K: Well it's pretty funny now!

MR: Yeah, it's funny in hindsight, but at the time I was pretty traumatised. I don't have a picture of the shooing stick but we kept it going from island to island on a boat.

K: You were that crazy tourist!

MR: So you can get bitten by a monkey so be sure to get your rabies shot.

K: Speaking of monkeys and rabies shots, are you going to go on the Habitat trip this year?

MR: Oh yes! It's my first Habitat trip, I'm really excited!

**Katie O'Connor (5DT)
and Ilona Adams (SLC)**

HOME ECONOMICS



FORM 1>



FORM 2>



FORM 3



FORM 4



FORM 5



TEDxHSD

TEDx are conference like events, where the program is designed to help communities, organizations and individuals to spark conversation and connection with all. TEDx events can be a combination of TED Talks videos or live presenters. These events are to affect people firstly at local levels. TEDx events are planned and coordinated independently, under a free license granted by TED.

On Saturday 18 April 2015 The High School became the first secondary school in Ireland to host an official TEDx conference between 12 pm and 6 pm. Though the conference took place on this day the organisation for the TEDx event started several months before in January. It all started when the HSD Ted-Ed club decided to secure a licence from the prestigious global innovation platform to hold a TEDx event at The High School. The Ted-Ed club then became a TEDx organisation team comprising of Form 4 and 5 pupils accompanied by Mr Keegan and Ms S Garnett. The organisation team was Jason Cosgrave (5DT), Grainne Dowling (4B), Kate Hunter-Hanley (5IW), Abigail Nolan (4HE), Aela O'Flynn (4B), and Alannah O'Reilly (5IW) – supported by an excellent media team made up of High School pupils: Jack Scollard (5DT), David Green (5LR), Ethan Jones (5LR), Kirsty Leith (5TP) and Conor Ryan (5RH) who recorded on the day and uploaded the videos.

The organisation for a TEDx event seemed easy to start off with but ended up to have many hidden aspects. Our TEDx event was comprised of external speakers and internal speakers. We contacted a wide range of external speakers and ended up with a wonderful selection consisting of:

1. **Mary Aiken**, Director of the RCSI CyberPsychology Research Centre.
2. **Colm O'Gorman**, founder of One in Four, former Senator, and current Executive Director of Amnesty International in Ireland.
3. **Dr Gary McDarby**, CTO of Fifth Province Ventures and Co-founder of Camara.
4. **Jillian Godsil**, past pupil of The High School and former European Parliament candidate.
5. **Jane-Anne McKenna**, Director of Médecins Sans Frontières, Ireland.
6. **Mark Griffin**, junior doctor, writer and director.
7. **Lucy Masterson**, co-founder of Hireland and Director of Innovation at Social Entrepreneurs Ireland.
8. **Chupi Sweetman-Pell**, Irish jeweller and entrepreneur.
9. **Arthur Godsil**, Educationalist and former Principal of St Andrew's College.
10. **Dr Mary Costello**, lecturer at ITT Dublin.



The internal speakers went through an audition process within the school, then were voted upon and picked. Five pupils were successful and picked to speak at our TEDx event - Ifedayo Akinsuli, Ben Scallan, Jack Scollard, Emily Clinch and Sarah Webb. Our TEDx event revolved around the theme "consider this...", every talk associated with this theme and was aimed to inspire and provoke thought.

Every aspect of the TEDxHSD event had to be thoroughly planned for everything to run smoothly. We received a lot of help from the company Web Summit, who guided us in what organisation we needed for such events. Our organisation team was split into smaller teams in charge of different aspects of the event such as, programmes, timetabling, food, floorplans, decoration, sponsorship, lighting and microphones, media, those who welcomed the audience and speakers and so much more. The event was a huge challenge but was a rewarding experience.

On the day everything ran smoothly to our surprise with only a few hiccups easily resolved. It was an unforgettable experience and in my opinion a great day. The talks ranged hugely from important subjects such as feminism to science and sports or civilisation to sociology. In having such a wide range of ideas being thrown out, I believe it opened people's eyes to many new ideas and generated interest in subjects they initially may not have had an interest in. The audience on the day were great and very encouraging with all the feedback we received. Our speakers were all fantastic, with such different ideas and views on life and the world around us.

By doing this event I know I have learnt so much, about so many subjects from organisation skills to the TED talk themselves. I hope to see TEDxHSD continue in The High School and for it to continue to inspire many. The digital material associated with TEDx The High School has been posted online on sites such as Twitter and YouTube. Thank you and congratulations to all concerned with this excellent initiative. In particular we would like to thank Mr Keegan and Ms Garnett for their constant encouragement and guidance.

Alannah O'Reilly (5IW)
and Jack Scollard (5DT)

TY Camping Trip

Bright and early one Wednesday morning half of the Transition Tear group embarked on a two day and one night trip to Kippure, Co Wicklow. We were all anticipating pitching our tents and settling down not knowing the activities we were set for the day. The fun began with being given the task of pitching the tents in a set amount of time and partnering up with friends for the tents. We spent the evening in lessons in a small forest being taught different skills and tricks of survival including using various methods to start a fire, which we later put into practice to cook the final meal of the day that evening.

One of the main activities undertaken by the Form 4 pupils on the trip was the orienteering, which determined whether

the teams would sleep comfortably or on an empty stomach. After minor setbacks due to navigation faults all teams completed the task within the hour limit after having to run through forests and fields all over the landscape.

The final day of the trip was enjoyed by all there, when we were put through our paces both mentally and physically in a variety of high jumps, leaps of faith and team building activities. This was followed by a bus journey home quieter than the cricket crease during the winter. The trip was definitely one to be remembered.

Shane O'Reilly (4M)



SPORTS DAY



MUNACHI ANELE (3W)



ALEX BUTLER (6DM)



MS HUTCHINSON EDGAR



MS GARNETT AND MR SHEEHAN READY



LIONEL DEVERELL (4B)



JACK SCOLLARD (5DT) IN THE LEAD



MR KEEGAN IN THE LEAD



CLODAGH CURRAN (51W)



AMYROSE FORDER (5LR), ORLA PERDUE (5LR), HANNAH BURKE (5TP), AND CATHERINE NEENAN (5LR)



IFEDAYO AKINSULI (5LK), AND LUKE KEHOE- ROCHE (5LC)



CAOIMHE SHANLEY-MEE (3C)



OLIVIA CUNNINGHAM (3C)



CIARAN HARRISON (6DM)



CAROLINE RYAN (3C)



MR GILL



STAFF TUG OF WAR



ANNA LYONS (1R)



MR MILLER, EVAN COOPER (5LR)



JENNIFER PILLOW (1W)



MR MILOFSKY TEACHES MARTIAL ARTS

SPORTS

SCHOOL TROPHY WINNERS 2013-2014

ATHLETICS

Belgrave	Points – Junior Boys	Catherine Neenan
Cunningham	Points – Junior Girls	Ryan Baird
Diocesan Staff	U15 Girls 100 metres	Caoimhe Shanley-Mee
Hughes	800 metres – Senior Girls	Caoimhe Shanley-Mee
Hutchinson	100 metres – Junior Boys	Emma Murphy
Magill	Points – Form 1 Girls	Matthew Barlow
Mathers		Esme Waller,
		Roseanne McCullough
Packenham-Hamilton	High jump – Junior Girls	Isabella Gilmer
Parents' Association	100 metres Senior Girls	Amy O'Byrne
Sloan	Long Jump – Senior Boys	Adam Shaw
Southam	800 metres – Senior Boys	Jack Scollard
Taylor	100 metres – Senior Boys	Darragh Butler
Toomey	Senior Girls	Charlotte King
Travers	High jump – Senior Boys	David Aspil
Walker		Jack Scollard
War Memorial	Points – Senior Boys	Jack Scollard
Whyte Cup	Senior Boys Field Events	Lee Tucker

BADMINTON

Factor	Junior Boys	Jack Lyons
Hennessy	Senior Boys	Kenneth Edgeworth
Hennessy	Junior Girls	Aela O'Flynn

CANOEING

Broad Cup	First Year	Sol Wynne
Canoeist of the year		Ritchie Burbridge
Junior Liffey Cup		Ultan Maguire

CRICKET

Davies	Second Eleven	Conor Prendergast
Dawson	Form 2 – Boys	William Anderson
	Junior Girls	Ella Connolly
Ridgeway	Senior Girls	Rachel Delaney
Hanly	Fielding	Ryan Evans
de Vere Short	Batting	Andrew Manning

HOCKEY

Neville Davin	Senior Boys	David Howard
Diocesan	Minor Girls	Daisy Ryan
Jean Scott	Junior Girls	Ruby Keating Levins
Jean Scott	Senior Girls	Emer Brennan
Karen Eppel	Sportsmanship	Sarah Fox
Andrew McKay	Junior Boys	Ross MacWilliam

RUGBY

Dawson	Form 2	Alex O'Regan
de Vere Short	Player of the Year	Robert Beverland/Craig Kennedy
Turner	SCT	Robert Beverland
Evans	Place & Drop	John Kehoe-Roche

SOCCER

Shield	Andrew Ryan
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SWIMMING

Liffey	Senior	John Swanwick
Dodder	Junior	Cormac Dempsey-Lerchundi
John Philips	Survival	Caroline Ryan



TABLE TENNIS

Evans

2013/14

Darragh Higgins

TENNIS

Sealy
Smith
Harcourt
Jagoe
Shield
White Shield

Senior Boys
Senior Girls
Junior Boys
Junior Girls
Minor Boys

Adam Lunnon-Collery
Evie McClafferty
Ultan Maguire
Sian Bolger
James Campion
Ultan Maguire

SPORTS CAPTAINS 2013-2014

Cricket
Cricket
Tennis
Tennis
Athletics
Athletics
Basketball
Basketball
Hockey
Hockey
Rugby

Boys
Girls
Boys
Girls
Boys
Girls
Boys
Girls
Boys
Girls
Boys

Ryan Evans
Rachel Delaney
Adam Lunnon-Collery
Evie McClafferty
Jack Scollard
Emma Murphy
Danny McAvinue
Bethany Thompson
David Howard
Emma Murphy
Robert Beverland

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ATHLETICS



SENIOR ATHLETICS

BACK ROW: MS FALLON, SAM WRIGHT, LUKE WALKER, JACK SCOLLARD, MEGAN O'BRIEN, ROSEANNE MCCULLOUGH

FRONT ROW: ELLA SCHMIDT, RUBY KEATING, CATHERINE HARRIS, MIA JENNINGS, KATHERINE LANDY



JUNIOR ATHLETICS

BACK ROW: MS FALLON, CHLOE HOLMES, FAITH EDUNPETERS, DEBBIE OGUNKAYODE, JOEY CHONG, ORLA PRENDERGAST

FRONT ROW: MAX ROSS, BEN HOPKINS, MORGAN PEMBROOKE, JAMES O'CONNOR, ANNA LYONS

**CROSS COUNTRY SENIORS**

BACK ROW: MS FALLON, TONY ZHENG, FIACHRA DE HORA, HARRY CRIPPS, KATHERINE LANDY, SAM WRIGHT, AMY BYRNE, RUTH FERGUSON, JESSICA SMITH, EMMA MCNEILLY, DANIEL FAGAN

MIDDLE ROW: SOPHIE HARRISON, JACK LYONS, MEGAN O'BRIEN, EOIN SCARLETT, BRIAN REILLY, CIA MCELVEEN WALSH, AELA O'FLYNN, JAMES CARTER, ÉANNA CURRAN, CLODAGH CURRAN, MS HUTCHINSON EDGAR

FRONT ROW: ELLA SCHMIDT, CATHERINE HARRIS, DANIEL CURRAN, EVAN BURROWES, JACK SCOLLARD, RAYMOND TANG, JACK BURLEIGH, ILONA ADAMS, NATHAN SHAW

**CROSS COUNTRY SENIOR BOYS**

BACK ROW: MS FALLON, HARRY CRIPPS, JACK LYONS, EOIN SCARLETT, BRIAN REILLY, RAYMOND TANG, MS HUTCHINSON EDGAR

FRONT ROW: DANIEL CURRAN, EVAN BURROWES, JACK SCOLLARD, SAM WRIGHT, JACK BURLEIGH

**CROSS COUNTRY SENIOR GIRLS**

MS FALLON, CIA MCELVEEN WALSH, AMY BYRNE, CATHERINE HARRIS, ILONA ADAMS, MEGAN O'BRIEN, AELA O'FLYNN, KATHERINE LANDY, EMMA MCNEILLY, ELLA SCHMIDT, MS HUTCHINSON EDGAR

BADMINTON



SENIOR BOYS' BADMINTON
MR FLYNN, MARK DEACON, ADAM LUNNON COLLERY,
CHARLIE KERR, MARK PERHAM



SENIOR B2 AND B3 BOYS' BADMINTON
PATRICK MCBEAN, ULTAN MAGUIRE, LIONEL DEVERELL, RONAN O'BYRNE,
ROSS MACWILLIAMS, RONAN WEBER, MR FLYNN
ABSENT: HARRY KING, SAM KILLEEN



JUNIOR A AND B BOYS' BADMINTON
TOM MCCAUSLAND, JACK LYONS, HARRY CRIPPS,
DENNY STUPAKOV, SAM WRIGHT, MR FLYNN
ABSENT: HARRY MCDONNELL, ELLIOT MILOFSKY,
COEN OLAFSSON, FIELDS CHUNG



JUNIOR B BOYS' BADMINTON
MR FLYNN, TOM MCCAUSLAND (CAPT), JAMES BOYD,
COEN OLAFSSON, FIELDS CHUNG.



MINOR A BOYS' BADMINTON
MR FLYNN, ALEX O'CONNOR (CAPT), MATTHEW BROWNE,
THOMAS KELLY, ETHAN GERNON



MINOR B BOYS' BADMINTON
MR FLYNN, JAMES O'CONNOR,
CORMAC DEMPSEY, CONOR SCHMIDT, WOLF CHUNG.



MINOR C BOYS' BADMINTON
MR FLYNN, SOL BELL-MEGAW (CAPT), JORDAN BAILEY,
DARREN CHONG, CUANYOUNG



JUNIOR A AND B GIRLS' BADMINTON
ELLEN RIDGEWAY, EMMA TAYLOR, SORCHA NÍ NEILL, CAMILLE CHRISTIE, ELLA CONNOLLY, MIRIAM KELLY
ABSENT: SOPHIE KEATING, SIAN BOLGER

BASKETBALL



SENIOR GIRLS' BASKETBALL

BACK ROW: YULIYA MIKULCHYK, RACHEL FERGUSON, KATE O'ROURKE, KATARINA CVETKOVIC, EMMA O'MALLEY, LOUISE DUKES, MR CRITCHLEY

FRONT ROW: ANGELA TANG, KATIE WYSE JACKSON, CAMILLE CHRISTLE, BETHANY THOMPSON, TAILLIE MAY, ILONA ADAMS, NATALIE KO



U16 GIRLS' BASKETBALL

BACK ROW: KAARUNYA GURUSAMY, KATARINA CVETKOVIC, ANCA AVASILICHIOAIEI, TAMI ADEDUNTAN, MR CRITCHLEY

FRONT ROW: ELLIE BURKE, KATIE WYSE JACKSON, KERRY-ANNE TIMMINS, CAMILLE CHRISTLE, MELINA O'MEARA, MIRIAM KELLY, ANGELA TANG



1ST YEAR GIRLS MINOR GIRLS' BASKETBALL

BACK ROW: EVA MAHON, SADHBH MILTON, AMY BOYD, ROSIE GILLIS, CAMILLA ANELE, AMY TALA, CAOIMHE MILTON, ALARA TOBIN, MR CRITCHLEY

FRONT ROW: FAITH EDUN PETERS, ISOBEL DUNNE, JOEY CHONG, DEBBIE OGUNKAYODE, ENYA MAK, ORLA PRENDERGAST, DEBBIE ODUNTAN, SARAH DALY, ALISON DALY



SENIOR BOYS' BASKETBALL

CIARAN HARRISON,
RONAN O'BYRNE, DARAGH
MCDONNELL, JAMES
TWAMLEY,
NEBOJSA CVETKOVIC,
ROBBIE KELLEHER, DAVID
EGAN

ABSENT: WILL FUREY



FORM 2 BOYS' BASKETBALL

BACK ROW: OISIN HEALY,
HUGH O'DONNELL,
LUAN ROGERS, TIM SWEENEY,
WILSON KO

FRONT ROW: ADAM VAUGHAN,
DENNY STUPAKOV,
MATT THOMPSON,
FINN CONNOLLY, JEM CAMPION,
CONOR FAGAN



FORM 1 BOYS' BASKETBALL

BACK ROW: SOL BELL MEGAW, SEÁN MULLAN, BEN SHAW

FRONT ROW: CAMERON MACKEOGH, JACK FARRELLY, RORY COSGROVE, MAX ROSS, LEONARD IDIAKHOA, TOMMY MYLES

CHESS



CHESS

BACK ROW: JAMES METOUDI, COEN OLOFSSON, ÉANNA CURRAN

FRONT ROW: NATHAN HUTCHINSON-EDGAR, DENNY STUPAKOV, JAMES KINSELLA, OSCAR HIGGINS

1ST XI BOYS' CRICKET

BACK ROW: MR MALIN, OISÍN MOODLIAR WALSH, RÓNÁN DOWLING CULLEN, JACK IREDALE, JACK LYONS
FRONT ROW: JAKE O'DONNELL, ANDY PALMER, CONOR PRENDERGAST (CAPTAIN), CONOR EMPEY, JOE PRENDERGAST
ABSENT: COLIN JACKSON, HUGH HACKETT, OISÍN MCEVOY



2ND XI BOYS' CRICKET

BACK ROW: MR MALIN, CONOR PRENDERGAST, JAMES ANDERSON, JACK IREDALE, ANDREW BRENNAN
FRONT ROW: CRAIG WHELAN, JOE PRENDERGAST, TIMOTHY KAYE MELLOR, CONOR EMPEY, JACK LYONS, MARK TOBIN, ADAM RUFLI
ABSENT: JEREMY COTTER, ROBERT MCLAUGHLIN



FORM 3 A BOYS' CRICKET

BACK ROW: JACK FARRELLY, ROSS HOWARD, CALUM ADAIR, JAKE PILLOW, PETER LYNCH, JAMIE TOPPING, PETER O'LEARY, SITTHA BAILEY, MR SULLIVAN
FRONT ROW: ADAM VAUGHAN, BEN SHAW, WILL ANDERSON, OISÍN Ó CONBHUI, ZAK COGHLAN, JAMES METOUDI, ADITYA GATT





UNDER 14 A BOYS' CRICKET
BACK ROW: MR HILLIARD, ADAM VAUGHAN, ADITYA GATT, JAMES COMAN, ETHAN GERNON, BEN CRIPPS, THOMAS WEBB, HARRY BYRNE
FRONT ROW: ALISTAIR EMPEY, LUAN ROGERS, FINN O'SULLIVAN, CALUM ADAIR, ANDREW CANNING, CORMAC DEMPSEY LERCHUNDI, MILO DIXON



UNDER 14 B BOYS' CRICKET
BACK ROW: MR HILLIARD, HARRY BYRNE, ETHAN GERNON, FINN CONNOLLY, RORY BROWNE, DYLAN KEOGH, BEN CRIPPS, FERDIA DARRAGH
FRONT ROW: HENRY HINDS, LUAN ROGERS, FINN O'SULLIVAN, THOMAS WEBB, CORMAC DEMPSEY-LERCHUNDI, MILO DIXON, OISIN HEALY



UNDER 13 A BOYS' CRICKET
BACK ROW: ALEX O'CONNOR, ADAM MAGUIRE, ROSS HOWARD, HARRY LYNCH, JAMES CODY, EVAN JENNINGS, MR WALKER
FRONT ROW: SAM DUNNE, JACK FARRELLY, BEN SHAW, SOL BELL- MEGAW, MAX WRIGHT

UNDER 13 B BOYS' CRICKET

BACK ROW: CIAN NUGENT,
LOUIS ROSNEY, JACOB CULLINGTON,
JAMES CODY, DANIEL WALSH,
PARRICK RYAN, MR WALKER
MIDDLE ROW: ROSS HOWARD,
JACK FARRELLY, ALEX O'CONNOR,
SOL BELL-MEGAW, THOMAS COSTELLO
FRONT ROW: RORY COSGROVE,
JOSEPH MURPHY, ADAM MAGUIRE,
BEN HOPKINS



SENIOR 1ST GIRLS' CRICKET

BACK ROW: MS GRAY, LUCY COLMAN-
BLACK, OLIVIA CUNNINGHAM, ELLEN
RIDGEWAY, AMAIA DEMPSEY, KIRSTY
MEIJER, SAOIRSE KENNEDY
FRONT ROW: ORLA PRENDERGAST,
ELLA CONNOLLY, AMY BYRNE, RUBY
KEATING, MIA JENNINGS



SENIOR 2ND GIRLS' CRICKET

BACK ROW: MS RUGG, SOPHIE KEATING,
CAMILLE CHRISTLE,
SARAH MULLOOLY, LAUREN STYLES,
KIRSTY MEIJER, SIVE MULLEN
FRONT ROW: LINDSAY BAKER
KERRIGAN, AMAIA DEMPSEY
LERCHUNDI, KYLA O'DWYER,
JOY SHERWOOD, JESSICA MILLER,
LISA COSGROVE





JUNIOR A GIRLS' CRICKET
BACK ROW: MR KEEGAN, ERICA BOWEN, LUCY COLMAN-BLACK, SIOBHAN CHINENYANGA, RACHEL WEBSTER, SAOIRSE KENNEDY, MRS ENNIS
FRONT ROW: OLIVIA CUNNINGHAM, ELLA CONNOLLY, ELLEN RIDGEWAY, AVERY ANGLE, MUNA ANELE



JUNIOR B GIRLS' CRICKET
BACK ROW: ESME WALLER, ORLA PRENDERGAST, KATIE LARKIN, ANNA LYONS, LARA TUIE, ROSIE GILLIS, ANNA KEOGH CORBALLY, MR SULLIVAN
FRONT ROW: ERICA MACARI, SIOBHAN TRIMMER, TESSA LONG, SHAUNA POWER, RACHEL DONOVAN



FORM 1A GIRLS' CRICKET
BACK ROW: SADHBH MILTON, DEBBIE ODUNTAN, ROBYN PEMBROKE, ROSIE GILLIS, KATIE O'BRIEN, JODIE MCAVINUE, ANNA LYONS, KATIE LARKIN, GRAINNE LYNCH, CAOIMHE MILTON, MS GRAY
MIDDLE ROW: HEATHER O'CONNOR, ALANA CRIPPS, ORLA PRENDERGAST, SIOBHAN TRIMMER, LAURA TUIE, JENNIFER PILLOW, AMY BOYD, ISABEL DUNNE, CLARA LEE
FRONT ROW: ALISON LANDY, SOPHIA HARTUNG

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EQUESTRIAN
MS BROWNE, LANA COTTER, SEANA BRADY, DAVID
O'BRIEN, MELANIE O'DONOVAN, DR WHITFORD



HOCKEY



SENIOR 1 GIRLS' HOCKEY

BACK ROW: MS JONES, EMMA CANNING, ELLEN RIDGEWAY, ELLIE CONHEADY, MELANIE O'DONOVAN, CAMILLE CHRISTLE, LUCY BARLOW, SAIDHBHE O'BRIEN, MS GRAY
FRONT ROW: CATHERINE HARRIS, MIA JENNINGS, ELLEN MC CULLOUGH, AILISH LONG, SAOIRSE O'DONOGHUE, HANEEFA CARRIM, RUBY KEATING RACHEL DELANEY, AMY BYRNE

SENIOR 2 GIRLS' HOCKEY

BACK ROW:
MS JONES, MICHAELA RYNNE, KATE HUNTER HANLEY, AITANA BYRNE PAREDES, MELANIE O'DONOVAN, LINDSAY BAKER KERRIGAN, CHRISTINA LYNN, MS GRAY
FRONT ROW:
ABIGAIL NOLAN, ABBY SHERIDAN, CAMILLE CHRISTLE, LAURA POWER, RUBY KEATING, ZOE MANNING, HANNAH MOLONY





SENIOR 3 AND 4 GIRLS' HOCKEY

BACK ROW: MS RUGG, MICHAELA RYNNE, ALISON MOONEY, KIRSTY MEIJER, SINEAD DUNNE, MEGAN O'DONNELL, LAUREN STYLES, AISHA TUOHY, ELIZABETH BOYD
FRONT ROW: ABIGAIL NOLAN, ANNIE BRENNAN, KYLA O'DWYER, JESSICA MILLER, AMAIA DEMPSEY LERCHUNDI, JOY SHERWOOD, EMMA FETHERSTON
ABSENT: LISA COSGROVE, GEMMA BOVENIZER, TRINA BOVENIZER, SARAH MULLOOLY



JUNIOR A GIRLS' HOCKEY

BACK ROW: MS BENNETT, JAMIE KNOX MACLEOD, SASKIA BOS, ALI JONES, OLIVIA CUNNINGHAM, CIARA SHAW, LUCY COLMAN-BLACK, MS GRAY
FRONT ROW: ELLIE BURKE, SAIDBHE O'BRIEN, DAISY RYAN, ELLEN RIDGEWAY, ERICA BOWEN, SAOIRSE KENNEDY, ZARA NAUGHTON



JUNIOR B GIRLS' HOCKEY

BACK ROW: MS BENNETT, ISOBEL MAHON, SASKIA BOS, KATE MANGAN, ISABELLE GILMER, SADBH ROHU, RACHEL WEBSTER, GRACE CAMPBELL, ELLA BYRNE, MS GRAY
FRONT ROW: KITTY WALSH DIGNAM, ELLA SQUIRE, ELLA CONNOLLY, ELLEN RAFFERTY, ERICA BOWEN, CAOIMHE STANLEY MEE, LAURA CLINCH

JUNIOR C GIRLS' HOCKEY

BACK ROW: MS BENNETT,
MILLY COGHLAN,
REBECCA JONES,
ELLIE BURKE,
GRACE CAMPBELL, MS GRAY

FRONT ROW:
KITTY WALSH DIGNAM,
LAURA CLINCH,
ELLA SQUIRE,
RACHEL WEBSTER,
ALICE BURLEIGH,
AVERY ANGLE,
MONA ANELE



MINOR A GIRLS' HOCKEY

BACK ROW: MS DOUGLAS,
ANNA KEOGH CORBALLY,
NAIA BYRNE PAREDES,
AINE RYAN, KATIE MOORE,
AMY SCOLLARD,
ROSANNE MCCULLOUGH,
TESSA LONG

FRONT ROW: MEGAN RANCE,
ERICA MACARI,
SHONA CAREY,
SHAUNA POWER,
SÍOFRA O'BRIEN,
LAURA MOTYER,
MOLLY SHERIDAN



MINOR B GIRLS' HOCKEY

BACK ROW: MS DOUGLAS,
NAIA BYRNE PAREDES,
AINE RYAN,
ISABELLE COTTER,
AMY SCOLLARD,
AMY DUNNE,
SOPHIE GRANT,
MS CONDELL

FRONT ROW:
LEAH MERRIMAN,
EVA KENNA, AILEEN NAGLE,
MOLLY SHERIDAN,
SOFIA GILMER,
ANNA PHELAN,
RACHEL DONOVAN





FORM 1 A GIRLS' HOCKEY
BACK ROW: MS CONDELL, MS GRAY, ALISON LANDY, ROBYN PEMBROKE, KATIE O'BRIEN, LAURA TUIITE, KATIE LARKIN, ISOBEL HARRISON, JENNIFER PILLOW, ENYA MAK, MS JONES
FRONT ROW: SIOBHÁN TRIMMER, ALANA CRIPPS, EVA VALENTINE, ANNA LYONS, ORLA PRENDERGAST, ROSIE GILLIS, ISABEL O'DONOVAN



FORM 1 B GIRLS' HOCKEY
BACK ROW: MS CONDELL, MS GRAY, AMY BOYD, LUCY BRENNAN, KATIE O'BRIEN, LAURA TUIITE, JODIE MCAVINUE, GRAINNE LYNCH, ALISON LANDY, MS JONES
FRONT ROW: CHLOE HOLMES, ALANA CRIPPS, GIULIA GUASTALLA, JENNIFER PILLOW, ENYA MAK, EMILY CLINCH, ALISON DALY



FORM 1 C GIRLS' HOCKEY
BACK ROW: MS CONDELL, SARAH WEBB, SOPHIA HARTUNG, ISABELLE HAYES, AMY BOYD, CHLOE HOLMES, HEATHER O'CONNOR, ALISON DALY, KATIE O'BRIEN, MS JONES, MS GRAY
FRONT ROW: SARAH DALY, DEBBIE ODUNTAN, GIULIA GUASTALLA, AREEJAL RIYAMI, MIA MURPHY, EVA MAHON, RUTH NINAN



SENIOR 1 BOYS' HOCKEY

BACK ROW: MR FITZPATRICK, BILLY O'CARROLL, BOBBY HACKETT, PETER LYNCH, JAMES ANDERSON, FELIM KELLY, JACK KILLEEN, COLIN JACKSON, HUGH HACKETT, MR KEEGAN

FRONT ROW: EVAN BURROWES, DAVID PHELAN, ALEX FLYNN, ROSS MAC WILLIAM, ANDREW JONES, CONOR EMPEY, MARK PERHAM, TOM MC NULTY, ALEX REGAN



SENIOR 2 BOYS' HOCKEY

BACK ROW: MR SHEEHAN, EVAN BURROWES, JAKE O'DONNELL, STEPHEN DOYLE, LIONEL DEVERELL, ANDREW BRENNAN, ULTAN MAGUIRE

FRONT ROW: BRIAN REILLY, JACK BURLEIGH, DAVID PHELAN, SAM MOLONEY, BILLY O' CARROLL, MARK PERHAM, TOM MC NULTY, ROBERT DEEGAN, JAMES MATOUDI

ABSENT: CATHAL RYAN, DANIEL BROWN



JUNIOR BOYS' HOCKEY

BACK ROW: MR FITZPATRICK, ROBERT MC LAUGHLIN, CALUM ADAIR, BOBBY HACKETT, NAOISE LAW, JACK IREDALE, JAMES ANDERSON, PETER LYNCH, JAKE PILLOW, ULTAN MAGUIRE, MR KEEGAN

MIDDLE ROW: BEN CRIPPS, ROSS HOWARD, JAMES COMAN, ANDREW CANNING, CORMAC DEE-BROWN, HARRY BYRNE, HARRY LYNCH

ORIENTEERING



SENIOR ORIENTEERING

BACK ROW: BYRON CUNNINGHAM, MARK DALY, DARRAGH MCDONNELL, ELLIOT CHAMBERS, MS BROWNE

FRONT ROW: DAVID BRUSEY, WESLEY WRIGHT, JAMES MACKEN, ANDREW COURTNEY



SCT 1ST BOYS' RUGBY

BACK ROW: COLIN JACKSON, CHARLIE KERR, LUKE O'BRIEN, JONATHAN CHAMBERS, MATTHEW PEARSON, FERDIA O'CONNELL, CIAN DEVINE PRENDERGAST

2ND ROW: MR MALIN, RONAN DOWLING CULLEN, JAKE FOLEY, ELLIOTT CHAMBERS, SAM KILLEEN, MATTHEW RIDGEWAY, JACK O'GORMAN, DARAGH MCDONNELL, JACK KILLEEN, MR SULLIVAN

FRONT ROW: LOUIS HUGGARD, ADAM SHAW, CIAN MCCAUSLAND, OISIN MCEVOY, DAVID ASPIL, RHYS BUTLER, TIM DOLAN, LEE TUCKER, OISIN GAVIGAN



SENIOR 2ND BOYS' RUGBY

BACK ROW: MILO O'SULLIVAN, OLIVER MCCLUSKIE, MATTHEW PEARSON, SAM KILLEEN, JOSH HOGG, FERDIA O'CONNELL, MARK TOBIN

2ND ROW: MR MALIN, STEPHEN ARDILL, JAMES ANDERSON, JACK IREDALE, ROSS MACWILLIAM, TIM KAYE MELLOR, ANDREW BRENNAN, ALEX DURAC, EOIN SCARLETT, MR SULLIVAN

FRONT ROW: JACK O'GORMAN, TOM MOLONEY, TIM DOLAN, JAKE FOLEY, JONATHAN CHAMBERS, AARON HUNT, CIAN MCCAUSLAND, CHARLIE KERR, LUKE KEHOE ROCHE



TRANSITION YEAR RUGBY

BACK ROW: MR MALIN, ADAM RUFLI, TIM KAYE MELLOR, MILO O'SULLIVAN, SAM KILLEEN, RONAN O'BYRNE, ALEX DURAC, MARK TOBIN, ROSS MAC WILLIAMS, MR SULLIVAN

FRONT ROW: OLIVER MC LUSKIE, EOIN SCARLETT, JAMES ANDERSON, RHYS BUTLER, JACK O'GORMAN, TIM DOLAN, TOM MOLONY, JACK IREDALE, ANDREW BRENNAN

ABSENT: DAVID DONNELLY



SENIOR 4 BOYS' RUGBY

BACK ROW: KILLIAN ELWOOD, JONAH CLEGG, WESLEY WRIGHT, ADAM LUNNON-COLLERY, FIONN MCCARTHY PURCELL, ANDREW COURTNEY, LIAM WEITZ, MR MALIN

FRONT ROW: CIARAN HARRISON, JOHN JOE IRWIN, VICTOR BELL, JAMES MACKEN, LUKE O'BRIEN, DARAGH MCDONNELL, JOSH HOGG, STEPHEN CROSBY, ELLIOTT CHAMBERS

ABSENT: ALEX MACARI, DARAGH BUTLER



U16 A BOYS' RUGBY

BACK ROW: MR MC BRIDE, JAMES KINSELLA, CIAN HOBAN, JAMIE SHAW, MORGAN KANE O'BRIEN, LORIS NIKOLOV, DARRAGH O'REILLY, HARRY WALSH, ANDREW CLOUGHLEY, EDWARD MEREDITH, MR WALKER

MIDDLE ROW: DYLAN WALSH, MATTHEW WALLACE, WILL ANDERSON, ALEX O'REGAN, ALEXANDER CHAMBERS, SITTHA BAILEY, KYLE BUTLER, JASON MULLEN, LUKE DIGGINS

FRONT ROW: OISIN Ó CONBHÚI, NATHAN SHAW



U16 B BOYS' RUGBY

BACK ROW: MR MC BRIDE, SEAN DAMBAZA, PATRICK GANNON, OLLY O'TOOLE, PETER O'LEARY, ADAM O'ROURKE, JASON MC GRATH, JAMES CARTER, ADAM LALOR, STEPHEN LANDY

FRONT ROW: OISIN Ó CONBHÚI, ZAK COGHLAN, MORGAN KANE O'BRIEN, NIKOLAI LEAKE, LUKE DIGGINS, NATHAN SHAW, GIANLUCA LYONS, EUAN LEITH, JAMES KINSELLA



U15 A BOYS' RUGBY

BACK ROW: MR MC NAMARA, MR. HILLIARD, ZAK BOWKER, SEAN OG BARNES, MATTHEW KAYE MELLOR, HARRY O'DONNELL, PATRICK SHIELDS, RORY BROWNE, HUGH O'DONNELL, LUAN ROGERS, CORMAC DEMPSEY LERCHUNDI, MR HANAN

FRONT ROW: NAOISE MAY, ERIC FELLE, MILO DIXON, DYLAN KEOGH, NIALL MCDONNELL, FINN O'SULLIVAN, AXEL CULLEN, FINN CONNOLLY, ROBERT WHYTE



U15 B BOYS' RUGBY

BACK ROW: MR MC NAMARA, MR HILLIARD, THOMAS WEBB, EVAN MILLER, OISIN HEALY, OISIN COTTER-VAZQUEZ, MILO DIXON, HENRY HINDS, DANIEL RUFLI, ADAM VAUGHAN, WOLF CHUNG, MR HANAN

FRONT ROW: TIMOTHY SWEENEY, FERDIA DARRAGH, CORMAC DEE- BROWN, FINN O'SULLIVAN, JAMES COMAN , DYLAN ROYCROFT, ANDREW CANNING



U14 A BOYS' RUGBY

BACK ROW: MR POWER, MR GILL, LORCANTWOMEY, ADAM KILLEEN, DENNIS CHAN, JACK BURKE, JAMES CODY, CHRISTIAN O'MEARA, ALEX CRIMMINS, MARCO LYONS, JAKE HICKEY, MR KINSELLA

FRONT ROW: SAM DUNNE, CONOR SCHMIDT, LEONARD IDIAKHOA, MORGAN PEMBROKE, LIAM IRWIN, BEN SHAW, JACK FARRELLY, BEN HOPKINS, JAMES O'CONNOR



U14 B BOYS' RUGBY

BACK ROW: MR POWER, MR GILL, NATHAN HUTCHINSON-EDGAR, KARO OTOBO, ALEX JACKSON, GAVIN MULHERE, JACOB CULLINGTON, ALEX CRIMMINS, MAX ROSS, CORMAC HARBART, LOUIS CHRISTLE, NATHAN TIMMINS, MR KINSELLA

FRONT ROW: DANIEL GUASTALLA, DANIEL SNODGRASS, THOMAS COSTELLO, DAN WALSH, SOL BELL MEGAW, SEAN MULLEN, JOSEPH MURPHY, ALEX O'CONNOR, MAX WRIGHT



GIRLS' RUGBY

BACK ROW: ELLEN RIDGEWAY, EMMA O'MALLEY, ELLEN TUCKER, TAILLIE MAE, MELANIE O'DONOVAN, SOFIA CLIFFORD, SOPHIE HAYES

MIDDLE ROW: MR SULLIVAN, RUBY KEATING, LUCY COLMAN BLACK, AISLING O'REILLY, AMAIA DEMPSEY LERCHUNDI, KIRSTY MEIJER, CIARA FAUGHNAN

FRONT ROW: AMY BYRNE, MEGAN O'BRIEN, ELIZABETH GAGEBY BELL, LAURA POWER, CATHERINE NEENAN

SWIMMING



SENIOR SWIMMING
PHILIP BRADISH, SEAMUS BRACKEN,
LIONEL DEVERELL



JUNIOR SWIMMING

BACK ROW: MR MALIN, SADHBH MILTON, MIRIAM KELLY, HEATHER O'CONNOR, CORMAC DEMPSEY, SARAH DALY, ALISON DALY
MIDDLE ROW: RACHEL WEBSTER, ELLEN RIDGEWAY, SEÁN MCGUIRE, WILLIAM COSGRAVE, EVA KENNA, SOL WYNNE, ERIN FETHERSTON,
CAROLINE RYAN, MS JONES
FRONT ROW: AINE RYAN, SHAUNA POWER, RORY COSGROVE, WOLF CHUNG, ADAM VAUGHAN, JAMES VAUGHAN, ISABELLE CARTER, DAISY O'TOOLE

TABLE TENNIS



SENIOR BOYS' TABLE TENNIS

EVAN COOPER, PHILLIP EMO, CHARLIE KERR, ADAM LUNNON COLLERY, OISÍN MCEVOY, COLM COWLARD JOYCE



SENIOR GIRLS' TABLE TENNIS

EVA KELLY, RACHEL FERGUSON, RUTH FERGUSON, KATIE O'CONNOR



JUNIOR TABLE TENNIS

MR BOWE, TOMMY MYLES, LOUIS ROSNEY, ADAM VAUGHAN, JORDAN BAILEY, ADAM MAGUIRE, MR CAROLAN

TENNIS



SENIOR BOYS' TENNIS

BACK ROW: EVAN COOPER, NEBOJSA CVETKOVIC, DANIEL BROWNE
FRONT ROW: CHARLIE KERR, ADAM RUFLI, MARK DEACON (CAPT), DAVID DONNELLY, ULTAN MAGUIRE



JUNIOR A BOYS TENNIS

BACK ROW: ROBERT MCLAUGHLIN, JEREMY COTTER, JAKE PILLOW
FRONT ROW: PETER LYNCH, JACK LYONS, EOIN SCARLETT, JOE PRENDERGAST (CAPT)



JUNIOR B BOYS' TENNIS

BACK ROW: BEN CRIPPS, DANIEL RUFLI, RORY BROWNE, JEM CAMPION
FRONT ROW: DARRAGH QUINN, DENNY STUPAKOV, FINN O'SULLIVAN, ERIC FELLE



JUNIOR 1ST BOYS' TENNIS

BACK ROW: ETHAN GERNON, LUAN ROGERS, JAMES BOYD
FRONT ROW: JEM CAMPION, ADAM VAUGHAN, HARRY BYRNE, AXEL CULLEN



MINOR B BOYS' TENNIS

BACK ROW: MORGAN PEMBROKE, JAMES CODY, HARRY LYNCH, LORCAN TWOMEY
FRONT ROW: EVAN JENNINGS, FREDERICK LOOSE, DAN WALSH, JACK BURKE



SENIOR GIRLS' TENNIS

BACK ROW: SIAN BOLGER, MEGAN O'BRIEN, MS JONES

FRONT ROW: MIRIAM KELLY, PAIGE LEAVY,

KATE HUNTER-HANLEY

ABSENT: AELA O'FLYNN



SENIOR B GIRLS' TENNIS

BACK ROW: KYLA O'DWYER, SINEAD DUNNE, ZOË MANNING, MS JONES

FRONT ROW: ANNA FLEMING,

AMY BYRNE, CATHERINE NEENAN



JUNIOR A GIRLS' TENNIS

BACK ROW: ELLEN RAFFERTY, CAROLINE RYAN, ROSEANNE MCCULLOUGH

FRONT ROW: MIRIAM KELLY, AINE RYAN, KATIE MOORE



JUNIOR B GIRLS' TENNIS

BACK ROW: SIOFRA O'BRIEN, AILEEN NAGLE, SAIDHBHE O'BRIEN

FRONT ROW: LAURA MOYTER, NAIA BYRNE-PAREDES, ELLIE BURKE



MINOR A GIRLS' TENNIS

*BACK ROW: ROSIE GILLIS, ISOBEL HARRISON
FRONT ROW: ORLA PRENDERGAST,
ROBIN PEMBROKE*



MINOR B GIRLS' TENNIS

*BACK ROW: FAITH EDUN PETERS,
GRAINNE LYNCH
FRONT ROW: ALANA CRIPPS, SIOBHAN TRIMMER,
JENNIFER PILLOW*



MINOR C AND D GIRLS' TENNIS

*BACK ROW: ALARA TOBIN, MIA MURPHY, DEBBIE OGUNRAYOUE, CAMILLE ANELE, SARAH DALY, CHLOE HOLMES, AMY BOYD
FRONT ROW: ISABELLE HAYES, AREEJ AL RIYAMI, EVA VALENTINE, DEBBIE ODUNTAN, ALISON DALY*

SPORTS REPORTS



ATHLETICS

This year the Athletics team excelled. It was a team comprised of over 100 pupils that took part in the East Leinster Championships held at Morton Stadium in Santry. We had competitors in nearly every single event across both field and track events.



SENIOR GIRLS' BADMINTON

The 2014-15 season saw some great success for the Senior A Girls' Badminton team.

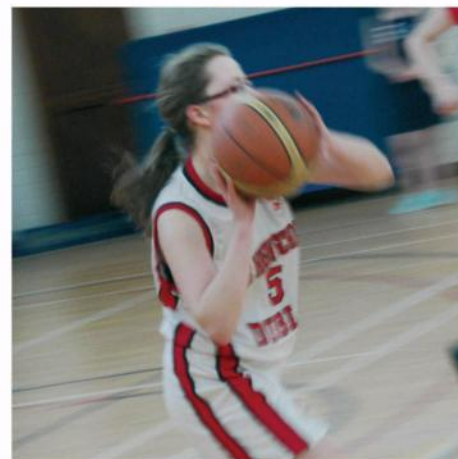
Playing in the Under 19 Division 1 Schools League, we began the year with three straight wins in the group stage matches. That qualified us at the top of our group for the county finals.

In the Dublin finals, we played a very strong Our Lady's Terenure team, which included at least one Irish international, and The High School lost out on the title in a very hard-fought match.

However, as Dublin Silver Medallists, we also qualified for the Leinster finals. These were played at the National Badminton Centre, in Baldoyle. The team played well, finishing third overall. With the entire team having another two years to play for the school, we plan to bring home the title another year.

On behalf of the team, I would like to thank our coaches, Sian Williams and Mr Flynn, for all their help and support throughout the year.

Aela O'Flynn (4B)



SENIOR GIRLS' BASKETBALL

This year the Senior Girls' basketball team made it to the quarter-finals of the Dublin league. We were narrowly beaten by a strong Loreto Dalkey team to miss out on the chance to play in the semi-finals but I am very proud of all the hard work and training my team put in throughout the year. Overall it was a very enjoyable season for all of us. We'd like to thank our coach Joey Boylan for all the help this year.

Bethany Thompson (6BK)

CADETTES GIRLS' BASKETBALL

The Cadettes Girls' team opened their season with a good win against Coláiste Íosagáin, Camille Christle scoring some great baskets. The best game of the season was against St Columba's College; 20 points down at half-time, the girls fought back to only lose by 2 points in a very exciting finish. The team qualified for the league quarter-finals, where they were unfortunately beaten by Muckcross.

Mr M Critchley

FORM 1 GIRLS' BASKETBALL

The Form 1 Girls' team had a good first season in the South Dublin league. They had some really close and exciting games. Against St Columba's College they battled back from 14 point down to level the game, powered by a super display by Enya Mak, losing to a buzzer shot.

In the game against Loreto Beaufort Camilla Anele scored a great basket to level the game with 10 seconds left. The girls went on to win in over-time. The season finished with a good win over Muckcross.

Mr M Critchley

CANOE CLUB



BOYS' BASKETBALL

This year, The High School had one of its strongest senior teams in recent history. The season was started off well by the team with a league win versus St Declan's College, followed by an impressive cup win the week after against Patrician Academy Mallow, which saw Will Furey score a tournament high 27 points to help the team on their way to a 53-43 win.

The team then went on to play St David's College in their next National Cup game in the group stage. The team managed to reach a lead of over fifteen points at half time, but a late game push saw St David's



come close to a comeback, in which they would eventually come back to being one point behind. Strong play from Ciarán Harrison (6DM) and Luke Murphy (6DM) helped The High School team hold off the opposition for a close win.

Glasnevin managed to beat The High School team, with 37 points from opposing Irish Under 18 representative Martin Neary. With two wins out of three in the group stages, the team moved on to the quarterfinals of the All-Ireland National B Cup. The team made the long trip out to Galway to play St Mary's who, despite our best efforts, won quite comfortably on the day with help from their numerous Galway Titans club players. St Mary's went on to win the tournament and St Vincent's became runners up, so despite an unfortunate draw cutting the team's cup dreams short, it was one of the most successful seasons in the school's recent history.

Lots of thanks go out to our coach Joey Boylan and the school's basketball coordinator Mr Malin.

James Twamley (6EH)

SENIOR 1ST BOYS' CRICKET

The Senior First X1 had another enjoyable and productive season. We began with a comfortable thirty run win over Gonzaga with captain Conor Prendergast hitting a powerful 38 backed up by useful contributions from Hugh Hackett, Andrew Palmer, Oisín McEvoy and Joe Prendergast. Oisín McEvoy recorded figures of 3-16.

Our next fixtures were against an extremely strong St Andrew's team. Despite tidy bowling figures from Joe Prendergast and a positive start with the bat from Andrew Palmer and Conor Empey, we came up short in the chase. In the second fixture a solid batting performance built around an aggressive 40 from Conor Prendergast and a stylish cameo from Colin Jackson proved insufficient as St Andrew's chased down our total with overs to spare.

In our final game, the plate semi final against St Mary's, a swashbuckling innings from Hugh Hackett (30) led us to a respectable total but, again, we lost narrowly.

I would like to thank Mr Malin for his constant encouragement and enthusiasm throughout the season.

Conor Prendergast (6DM)

JUNIOR BOYS' CRICKET

The Junior Cricket Team's season this year was unfortunate but enjoyable. Our first game against Castleknock was extremely unlucky losing in the eighteenth over but all players played exceptionally well with Peter Lynch and Calum Adair hitting over thirty runs each.

Our next game against Sandford Park was very one sided; playing against strong experienced cricketers, we lost in the early stages. Against Wesley, we had an exceptional performance getting three wickets in the first four overs. However, things didn't go our way during batting against brilliant bowlers and we lost by a small number of runs.

We lost every game, so not the most successful Junior cricket team in High School history but it's not just about winning, it's about having fun.

Oisín Ó Conbhuí (3T)

UNDER 13 A BOYS' CRICKET

The High School boys Under 13 'A' team enjoyed great success under a great coach Mr Walker.

In our first league match we faced an experienced and very talented Willow Park team, who played well and beat us by six wickets despite our best efforts. In our second match we had a set and more experienced squad to face a very well known cricketing school, St Andrew's College. The team played very well together especially in the field and bowled St Andrews out for 49 runs. We chased them down with ease without losing a wicket, receiving full batting and bowling points. The team was happy.

In our final league match against Belvedere College we played the best any of us had played. When we were batting, we put on a great total of 120 runs. Early on, when we were fielding, we put them under great pressure by taking wickets regularly and soon they just ran out of batsmen and we won comfortably by eight wickets. I think that this was the best match the team had played.

To finish off the season we played a friendly match against CUS, which turned out to be a very tight game, but we managed to win again, this time by just six runs. It was a great way to finish off a great season.

Ben Shaw (1S)



SENIOR GIRLS' CRICKET

The Senior Girls' Cricket team had a successful season this year. We started it off with a strong win against St Columba's College with fantastic bowling from Orla Prendergast, the only Form 1 pupil on the Senior Team.

Unfortunately our next match was against a very strong St Andrew's side to start our cup campaign and we were unsuccessful so we decided to focus on the league. Our next match was against King's Hospital. The team batted very well and we won the match by a large margin, allowing us to continue through to the league semi-final against Muckross.

Muckross were powerful opposition and the game was very tight. Excellent batting performances from Ruby KeatingLevins (5GF) and Amaia Dempsey Lerchundi (6DT) proved vital and we beat Muckross in the last over by a single run.

In the final, we once again were to face St Andrew's College. With a host of international players on their team the match was quite one sided despite Ellen Ridgeway's impressive batting and Ruby Keating's accurate bowling but we were all delighted to come away with silver medals.

On behalf of the team I would like to say a huge thank you to our coaches Ms Gray and Mr Keegan along with Mr Fitzpatrick and Mr Malin for all their advice and encouragement throughout the season and for making the season so enjoyable.

Amy Byrne (5IW)

JUNIOR GIRLS' CRICKET

This year cricket was really great; everyone on the team was happy and enthusiastic about playing matches whether we won or lost! It was so much fun getting to become better friends with everyone on the team! I think we did really well as a team and will continue to be great throughout our senior years!

Olivia Cunningham (3C)

THE EQUESTRIAN TEAM

The Equestrian team had a great season this year despite the tough competition. The season started in October 2014 and ran till March 2015. The event was held in Kilossery in Swords and schools from all over Leinster competed. During the course of the competition, the team had a number of successes with Lana Cotter (5TP) being placed in the individual competition and the team being placed second on two occasions. Overall, the team was placed fifth out of thirteen teams, a great achievement as the competition was very taxing.

The team this year consisted of the following pupils: Lana Cotter (5TP), Séana Brady (5TP), David O'Brien (4K) and Melanie O'Donovan (4K). Huge congratulations is in order for each team member as it is not easy to trek to Swords on a cold, wintry Sunday morning but they did!

I would like to thank Ms Browne for accompanying us to each leg of the competition and for the support throughout the year. If you would like to find out more about the Equestrian team, speak to Ms Browne about how to get involved!

Lana Cotter (5TP)



JUNIOR 2 GIRLS' CRICKET

The Junior 2 girls' cricket team started their season with a super win away against Wilson's Hospital. The game was played in poor weather conditions but this did not manage to dampen the spirits of the team.

The second match against King's Hospital was a re-arranged fixture due to be played at Danum but unfortunately, due to fixture congestion, it was agreed to be played in King's Hospital. The change of venue did not affect the performance of the team and we left as comfortable winners.

Having now qualified for the semi-finals of the league, the next opposition was Sandford Park. On the day of the match a small number of players were not available and replacements were hastily sought from the Form 1 squad. Although they battled hard, they came out on the wrong side of the result, many thanks to pupils from Form 1 for stepping in at the last moment.

The team was very ably led by Tessa Long who reliably rounded up the players and led with a positive manner.

Many thanks to Mr Sullivan who, on several occasions, was available to take the team to their matches.

Mr R Walker



SENIOR XI GIRLS' HOCKEY

The Senior 1 team started off the season with high expectations. We had an extremely strong team this year ranging from Form 3 to 6. We had a very successful and enjoyable year, winning the Senior 1 Premier League for the first time in the school's history. We started the season off with a rocky start against Loreto Foxrock, coming away with a 0-0 draw. This 0-0 draw gave the team the boost we needed and encouraged us to push on and win our next few league matches. Our disappointing last minute loss against St Gerard's 3-2 was devastating but didn't stop us girls from successfully getting to the final to face St Gerard's again.

Firstly, we had our new and young goal keeper Catherine Harris from Form 4 who put her body on the line for her team. She stepped into the position with little or no choice but ultimately did her team proud. Next, we have Haneefa Carrim at centre back and myself alongside her. Haneefa was a little terrier on the pitch and didn't let anybody get by her without a battle. She made my job a lot easier and gave me more of an attacking role to play for the team. As captain of the Senior XI this year, playing with Haneefa and the rest of the girls was very enjoyable and a year I'll never forget. Then we had Rachel Delaney, our fantastic left back, who managed to save us numerous times with her hidden silky skills. To complete our line of defence we had Amy Byrne who tore up the right side of the pitch with her unbelievable



pace and her expertise in clearing the ball up the side-line. Also, we had Mel O'Donovan there to step up and make crucial impact when she was needed.

Our mighty mid-field line were very versatile and inter linked especially well throughout the season. Firstly, we had our vice-captain Ailish Long who, from time to time, controlled the centre of the park but also was pushed up to the forward line to show off some of her skills and reverse shot goals. We then had Emma Canning, who was our main centre midfielder who distributed the ball left and right of her without a problem. She was one of our main playmakers who I linked up with when we had our attacking moments. Our mighty all-around player Mia Jennings held the right hand side of the pitch unbelievably well. The youngster never gave up and spun around players like she has been doing it for years. Also Ellie Conheady who unfortunately suffered with a lot of injuries this season and didn't finish out her school hockey



the way she would have liked. In saying that she played alongside Emma and had brilliant link up play with the forwards and showed her pace up and down that left side of the pitch. Lastly, we had Saidhbhe O'Brien who stepped onto the pitch when we needed her and showed a huge improvement throughout the year.

Last but not least, we had our mighty forward line consisting of Lucy Barlow, Ellen McCullough, Ellen Ridgeway, Ruby Keating and Camille Christle. Lucy set up many attacks with her lovely runs and her brilliant close skills. Ellen McCullough, who has come on hugely in the last two years, made a number of impacts in our games with her endless running and solid passes with her team mates. Ellen never gave up and worked to the very end. Ellen Ridgeway, another young player, stepped up onto the Senior XI team this year and slotted in nicely and her class deflections which brought us to victory in most games. Ruby Keating made impacts throughout our games this season, with some lovely runs and especially her magnificent goal in our semi-final of the league against Mount Anville. Lastly, we had Camille Christle who stepped onto the senior team for the first year and played some lovely hockey and finishing off some nice goals.

We started off our season with a few new faces to the squad and we really began to bond when we travelled to Limerick for a tournament against various different teams. We were put into a tough enough league with Loreto Beaufort, King's Hospital, Holy Child Killiney, Loreto Foxrock, Rathdown and our rivals St Gerard's. We only had one loss and one draw throughout the league campaign leaving us in second place. We then had



to play the winners of the other group, Mount Anville in the semi-final. This semi-final brought the atmosphere up hugely in the school supporting the Senior XI girls at Three Rock Rovers. After a great match we beat Mt Anville 3-1 and followed on to the final to face St Gerard's once again. For The High School to win the Premier League in the first time in its history added extra pressure to all who were involved in the final. We had a nervous first half and were 2-0 down at half time and had not played to our potential. We had a much better second half performance where we dominated the play and scored two fine well deserved goals. We fought to the very end and the game finished off 2-2 at full time, leaving it up to 'one on ones' with myself, Ailish, Emma, Amy and Mia to bring home the silverware. It came down to Mia Jennings to finish up the 'one on ones' before Amy Byrne even needed to step up and take one. She slotted the ball home nicely into the St Gerard's net and set off The High School supporters running onto the pitch to celebrate with the girls in a memorable victory.

Our attention then turned to the Senior Cup with playing Mount Sackville away and successfully winning 2-0. Unfortunately we drew last year's cup winners in the next round, St Andrew's. We fought as hard as we could to come out on top but it ended up going to 'one on ones' with our goalie Catherine Harris giving it her all to keep St Andrew's from scoring but, unfortunately, we did not progress to the next round of the cup. It was a devastating loss but we still had that unbelievable win over St Gerard's in the league final and had brought some



silverware home to The High School. As captain of the Senior XI team in my last year of school, I am so proud of our achievements and loved every minute of it with these girls and couldn't have asked for a better send off.

Lastly a huge thank you to Ms Jones and Ms Gray for all their time and commitment throughout the season. It was great to have a new face on to the coaching squad. Ms Gray brought new and exciting game plans to our squad. We couldn't have done it without you both as well as having Ms Meeke help us out from time to time. Ms Jones has put up with all of us from Form 1 onwards and I know myself it was a great way to finish out our years at school so big thanks due to her for all her work not just this year but for all the previous seasons. Finally to the girls I couldn't have asked for a better bunch of girls to spend this season with and it was an honour to be captain of such a hardworking team. Thank you for all your time and dedication throughout the season, it will be one to remember!

Saoirse O'Donoghue (6EH)



SENIOR 2ND GIRLS' HOCKEY

The Senior Second Hockey team this year were new to each other and composed of a variety of years so it took some time and training to gel together as a team, but slowly and surely we became a team that worked well together and, on top of that, great friends.

Through wind and rain the team trained hard all year working on their skill and technique, improving greatly throughout the year which could be seen on the pitch. Unfortunately, we did not qualify from the league competition but despite our bad luck we played every match to the last whistle and never stopped working for each other

On behalf of myself and the team we would like to give huge thanks to our amazing coach Ms Meeke for her dedication and commitment to the team, we are so grateful for the time and hard work she put in and we hope we made her proud!

Finally I would like to thank my team for making my final year of hockey here at The High School so enjoyable. It was an honour to be their captain. I have made great friends in the team and I wish them all the best of luck in the next season!

Laura Power (6BK)



MINOR A GIRLS' HOCKEY

We started off the season with the transition from 8 aside to full pitch matches. We began to gel as a team and got stronger with every match.

Our first league match was against Holy Child, Killiney. It was a very tight game but unfortunately Holy Child came out on top with a score of 2-1. After this we went on to play Loreto Beaufort, Wesley, St Andrew's and Alexandra College, all very tough competitors and unfortunately we did not qualify for the semi-finals.

This year we also took part in the up competition. We got to the 3rd round with great wins over Notre Dame and Loreto Dalkey, but sadly we came up short in a tight match against Newbridge College. Despite this, I feel we really improved as a team this season and we all had a lot of fun. We would like to thank Ms Douglas for all her hard work and I'd also like to thank the girls for a great season.

Shauna Power (2RN)





SENIOR BOYS' HOCKEY

The seniors have seen some bad luck in the past two years, trying to qualify for the All-Ireland's but narrowly missing out in the late stages of the qualifying matches. This bad luck unfortunately continued into the start of this season with the All-Ireland qualifiers in late September. A textbook first game beating King's Hospital 3-0 saw the team playing Mount Temple for a spot in the All-Ireland's. The High School gave an astonishing performance finding themselves ahead at half time. Mount Temple managed to get back into the match and found a late equaliser bringing the game to extra time and then strokes, where disappointingly The High School failed to capitalise.

With the All-Ireland dream gone for the season, it took some time to recover. As a team we managed to re-group, get motivated and try to improve for the league and cup campaigns.

The improvement was evident in the league group stages as we went on to comfortably beat Kilkenny College, King's Hospital and St Columba's in what were some of the best all round team performances we have played. We finished second in the group to St Andrew's College who were going for a 4th consecutive league win.

This meant that we played Wesley College in the semi final of the league. Intense, hard-fought affairs in past matches raised the expectations for a thrilling semi final.



Disappointingly this was not the case as a strong Wesley performance coupled with an unusually mediocre team effort from The High School saw Wesley College through to the final.

We didn't let this weigh on our minds and began preparing for the third place playoff match against Sutton Park held at St Columba's College. With automatic qualification for third place to the All-Ireland's for next year's senior team, we were determined to prove to ourselves that we were capable and deserving of achieving a spot.

Good team play lead to The High School having many chances to finish the game off, but our bad luck was evident once again as we were not clinical enough to find the back of the net. The game ended in a draw bringing us once again to penalty strokes which brought flashbacks of the Mount Temple game at the start of the year. This time around we were able to convert all of our strokes resulting in us winning the match and achieving third place, and All-Ireland qualification, for only the second time in the school's history.



With the league over, we looked ahead to the semi final of the trophy having beaten St Kilian's in the quarter final. The semi final was again against Sutton Park, this time on their home ground. Unfortunately, things didn't go our way in the match and it ended up 3-2 in Sutton's favour.

On behalf of the team, I would like to thank our coaches Mr Fitzpatrick and Mr Keegan for everything they have done over the last six years. Also a thank you to David Howard, last year's captain who came back to coach us this season. We wish next year's senior team every success in their season.

Andrew Jones (6DM)



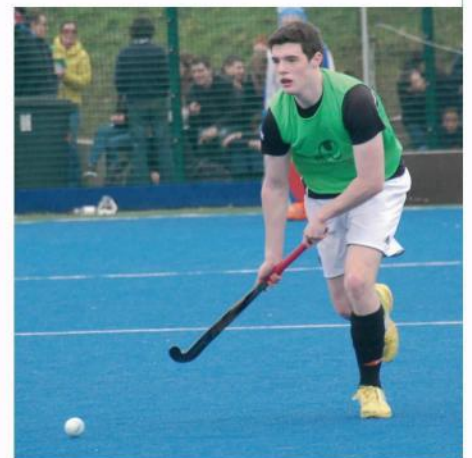
JUNIOR BOYS' HOCKEY

We had good expectations going into the season with the team reaching both the League and Cup final at minor level. Our League run went well to start seeing us defeat St Columba's, St Kilian's and King's Hospital comfortably. The only stumble was an away loss to St Andrew's, the eventual winners. This got us a semi-final place against Wesley and, after a close first half which finished 1-1, we were defeated 3-1.

In the Junior Cup we easily saw off Sandford Park and Dundalk Grammar School in the opening rounds, which set up a difficult tie against St Andrew's in the semi-final, which we lost in a tough game.

The team would like to thank Mr Fitzpatrick and Mr Keegan for all their efforts and time this season. We are looking forward to the Senior All-Irelands next year in Belfast.

Conor Empey (4M)



ORIENTEERING

The 2014-2015 season proved to be another great year for the orienteering crew. We had a total of five outings this year and we ventured to venues such as Bushy Park and the Dublin/Wicklow mountains. Our trip to Bushy Park proved to be challenging with the weather conditions but we were all placed with positions ranging from fourth to ninth place. Our final trip of the season proved to be the toughest and although not all of us were placed, we made it to the end. I would like to say well done to the orienteering group which consisted of David Brusey, Elliot Chambers, Andrew Courtney, Byron Cunningham, James Macken, Darragh McDonnell and Wesley Wright and wish them all the best in the future.

None of this would have been possible without the continuous support from Ms Browne for organising the trips and Paddy for bringing us to our destinations. I would also like to mention Mick Kellett who died in December. Mick was a huge part of the orienteering team here at school and encouraged us every step of the way. He will be remembered by each one of us who met him and he will be missed by all.

James Macken (6EH)



SENIOR 1ST BOYS' RUGBY

We started off our season with some intense pre-season training over the summer months. This involved aspects of strength and conditioning and some general skills work. We began playing training matches against the likes of Wesley and Templeogue Colleges as the school term commenced. This year the senior cup squad was a very new team with many younger players so these training matches were useful to ease everybody in.

We kicked off our league campaign extremely well with comfortable victories over De La Salle, Newpark and St Columba's in the group stages. Sadly during this period we lost some important experienced players to injury but younger members of the squad stepped up well to carry us on through the season. We got through the group stages to the league quarter finals where we put on a brilliant performance to beat Templeogue

College. We then progress to the semi-finals where we would meet Skerries. We travelled to Skerries to find their team had undergone drastic improvement over the past year, beating us with huge physicality and some high quality players. This was a bitter pill to swallow as our league was now over, but we continued to work hard during the Christmas break to prepare for the cup.

We were unlucky to have been given a nightmare draw and would have to face Skerries yet again, but we were excited to have the opportunity to play at Donnybrook stadium and relished the opportunity to play Skerries again. We were lucky enough to have a big crowd from the school supporting us that day, who made themselves known from the stands. We started outstandingly well, shocking Skerries and spending much of the first half in their danger zone. We had some brilliant chances but the





bounce of the ball wasn't going our way and we were picking up injuries as the game went on. In the end Skerries' quality came through and they were deserved winners, none the less we were much improved that day and put in a performance that we could be proud of. We had a disappointing run in the plate, after a long break from training, but we regrouped for an unforgettable tour to Scotland and Northern Ireland. This was a great way to end a tough, yet enjoyable season with a great group of lads.

On behalf of the team I would like to thank our coaches, Mr Malin and Mr Sullivan for all their hard work and commitment over the season and would like to wish next year's senior team the best of luck.

Luke O'Brien (6RM)

U15 BOYS' RUGBY

To start off the year, a few new players joined the team. We continued practising our different skills, techniques and tactics - and the new players caught up very quickly. We worked on our tackling, rucking, passing and different types of moves, all the while building character and skill. We won our first match which gave us a huge morale boost.

Our next few matches didn't go as well, but we kept focused and learned from our mistakes. Our rucking and tackling improved dramatically and our coaches (Mr Hilliard, Mr McNamara and Mr Hanan) kept us in high spirits.

Unfortunately, our team became too small to field two teams in the second half of the year. After Christmas, some of our players got to play for the JCT and conditions

improved and we were able to use the weather to our advantage. We had some fast guys on the wings and a good defence, so our matches and scoring started to get better.

As the season was coming to an end, we all felt that we had progressed well as individuals and as a team. Our last game was a success against De La Salle. We didn't give up and our teamwork shone through. We ended on a high and we're ready to move on to the JCT.

**Robert Whyte (2RN)
and Naoise May (2J)**



SCOTLAND RUGBY TOUR

We began the first leg of the tour by travelling from The High School to Carrickfergus Grammar School, just north of Belfast, where we would play our first match. We arrived and began our warm-up, excited and eager to start the match in what was perfect playing conditions. The match was a close affair with some great tries scored by both teams. We managed to clinch the match in the end by a scoreline of 25-19, to the joy of the squad and the coaches. That night we went to watch a local AIL match, all delighted to kick the tour off with a win. Bed was welcomed after a long but successful day.

Early the next morning we departed Belfast Port on a ferry that brought us across the channel to Cairnryan, Scotland. We embarked on a long, seemingly endless journey across Scotland to reach our final destination, Edinburgh. Despite being drained by the journey, we quickly got off our coach to look for a TV to catch the Ireland vs Wales Six Nations match in our hotel. The hotel generously gave us our own room and TV, where we watched Ireland narrowly lose out to Wales, to Mr Malin's delight. We had no match that day, so we took the opportunity to explore and take in the city of Edinburgh followed by a squad dinner in a pizza place in the city.

The next morning we had a great breakfast in the hotel before the Team Awards presentation. We departed the hotel to go to play the final match of the tour against Forrester Rugby Club in Edinburgh. It turned out to be an even closer encounter than the first match with both sides in it right until the very end. We were under constant pressure for most of the second half, but we held out thanks to some excellent defensive work, the final score was 14-10 to us. We were both relieved and delighted to finish the season, tour and for the Form 6 in the team, our final match for the school, with a great win. We began the long journey back to Dublin with a successful and extremely enjoyable tour completed. I would like to thank our coaches, Mr Malin and Mr Sullivan for their commitment and encouragement throughout the season and for organising and accompanying us on a memorable trip.

Luke O'Brien (6RM)

TY BOYS' RUGBY

For us, this year was very much a season of what could have been. Several of our players had taken a year out from rugby and that left us with some places to fill. A few players came to help out including, Aaron Hunt, Charlie Kerr and Jake Foley. We did, however, win some very good games. Two of them stand out. Our match against St Mary's was a great game being behind in the game in the last minute and snatching victory with a great team try, and CBC Monkstown, we put up a good fight against a much older and experienced team to take the win.

There were some standout players this year including Rhys Butler and Tim Dolan.

I'd like to thank Mr Malin and Mr Sullivan for making it such an enjoyable year.

Jack O'Gorman (4B)



FORM 1 BOYS' RUGBY

At the start of the season a few of the lads couldn't pass and a few didn't know the rules but by the end of the season we were tackling hard and scoring tries! We got off to a promising start in a blitz against Gonzaga College. We had a disappointing defeat to St Mary's College in our first 15-a-side game. We were unlucky against CUS. Then against Terenure College the A's were just a few points away from a good win. Next up was Blackrock College who we beat in a tight game 17-12. Just before Christmas we played Gonzaga again and a good performance meant we came out on top. After Christmas, we played St Andrew's and in what was probably our best all round performance we won. Our next match was at home against Wesley which we won. We played a few more tight matches before we were off on tour to Cork. Our first match of the tour was against Bandon Grammar School, we got off to a good start with an early, try they replied with a few of their own, before two late tries brought us close but not close enough. The next day we played Middleton College but they were just too strong. The whole team would like to thank all the coaches who helped us throughout the season: Mr Kinsella, Mr Gill, Mr Power, Mr Malin, Gavin Power, Robert Emo and Dean Kilroy.

Sol Bell-Megaw (15)



7S GIRLS RUGBY

The HSD Girls Rugby 7's team had another great season this year, if not as successful as the previous two. We had a big turnout, with many new faces ready to give rugby 'a try', as well as girls who had played in previous years. This season was more challenging than others, as we were competing in the Bank of Ireland Leinster School Girls Blitz, against some very strong and experienced teams. We started training in March, our coaches Mr Sullivan and Mr Malin ensuring we trained hard for the 5/6 weeks before the Blitz. There was a great deal of enthusiasm and commitment from all the girls, and by the time of the Blitz we had gathered a skilled and hardworking team. On the day we started strong, scoring our first try in the beginning 20 seconds of our first match. We achieved wins over St Kevin's Dunlavin, St Raphaela's, and Pipers Hill College, putting us into the final against a very strong and experienced team from Sacred Heart, Offaly. We fought hard, getting some amazing tries, notably from Ruby Keating and Amy Byrne however, in the end, losing to them with a final score of 29-19.

On behalf of the team I would like to thank our brilliant coaches, especially Mr Sullivan, who has put a huge amount of time and effort into bringing girls' rugby to the school, and organising the teams over the past couple years. It was an incredible experience and has opened up doors to many of the girls, and hopefully more in the future. Women's rugby is the fastest growing sport in Ireland at the moment and there are so many opportunities for girls in rugby nowadays. I would urge anyone interested to give it a go next year I promise you won't regret it!

Elizabeth Gageby Bell (6GF)

SENIOR GIRLS' TENNIS

This year, Girls' Tennis was very eventful. I played on the Senior A team alongside great team members. We trained on Mondays for an hour and a half after school with our coach Ms Jones and played matches, mainly on Wednesdays, with many teams from different schools and had a great time playing them. Well done to everyone involved.

Paige Leavy (5LC)

TABLE TENNIS



SWIMMING

At the start of the year most of us weren't as strong nor as confident in the water as at the end of the season. After a few weeks of hard training there were real improvements to the team.

Some of the pupils in the squad were training for the 'Leinster School' gala which took place at Balrothery Swimming Pool in January. Sean Maguire (2F) and I took part in a very enjoyable event.

Coming up towards the midterm, we all had to wear pyjamas in the pool! Not only did we have a good time but we also learned about water safety.

On the last training session we all raised money for a sponsored swim in aid of Habitat for Humanity. Everybody took part in the 1km swim which, although tiring, was very rewarding.

On behalf of the team I would like to thank our coaches Ms Jones and Mr Malin for putting up with us over the past year.

Caroline Ryan (3C)



Parents' Association

The AGM was held on Monday 29 September 2013. Two new committee members for the year were elected as follows: Fiona Sweeney (Mock Interviews and Form 2 Rep) and Jane Suiter (Form 1 Rep).

The following members remained on the committee: Anthony Harris (Secretary and Form 6 Rep), Arthur Barlow (Education Committee and Form 3 Rep), Duncan Cole (Vice President, Finance Committee and Form 2 Rep), Peter Lynch (Grounds and Property Committee and Form 1 Rep), Finola Connolly (Mock Interviews and Form 4 Rep), Mary McDonnell (Treasurer and Form 4 Rep), Martin Ridgeway (Sports Committee and Form 5 Rep), Thora Mackey (Student Liaison and Form 6 Rep), and Peter Smyth (President of the Parents' Association and Parental Representative to the Board).

We recorded a big thank you to the parents who retired from the committee having given many years of service to the Parents' Association and the school; Anna Devlin (Vice President, Board Rep), and Siobhan Baird (Sports Committee Rep).

The Principal, Mr Andrew Forrest, was in attendance at the AGM.

We have continued to emphasise communications through a combination of email and social events for parents of each year. Thanks to all the reps (noted below) for organising these and we hope you all found them of some benefit.

Form 1 Jane Suiter and Peter Lynch
Form 2 Fiona Sweeney and Duncan Cole
Form 3 Arthur Barlow
Form 4 Finola Connolly and Mary McDonnell
Form 5 Martin Ridgeway
Form 6 Anthony Harris and Thora Mackey

As usual we were involved with organising some regular events and they included:

PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS

Thanks to the teachers and the office staff who work with us to ensure the smooth running of these meetings. A special thank you to Ronan Doyle who once again facilitated us by helping out at a number of the meetings.

MOCK INTERVIEWS

Once again, we extend a big thank you



to all of the parents who took part in the Form 5 mock interview process. It was a great evening for both the students and indeed the interviewers. With over 200 people involved between interviewers, teachers, Parents' Association members and students a significant amount of work is involved in organising this event. A big thank you to Finola Connolly, Mary McDonnell and Fiona Sweeney who worked tirelessly with the Guidance team, Ms McDonnell and Mr Clarke to get what is, without doubt, the PA's biggest event to a successful conclusion. A special thanks to Chris and the canteen staff for the super meal that was provided.

TRANSITION YEAR - WORK EXPERIENCE CONTACTS

This year we added more names to the Work Experience Contacts spreadsheet that was initiated last year and shared this with all current Form 3 parents. Many thanks to the parents who shared the information with us to make this possible.

PARENT TALK

The 2015 Parent Talk was given by John Sharry. The topic was 'Positive Parenting'. It was an engaging event with a record 160 parents in attendance. We will definitely invite John back in the future.

GRADUATION

Thora Mackey continued her good work supporting the school in the organisation of the Graduation and the pre-Debs Event. The Graduation ceremony, which was on

the last day of school for the 6th Form, was a great success and the Parents' Association organised an event in the 'WEZZ' after the ceremony. It was a great night for all and a big thank you to Thora, Mr Gill, the teachers and the student reps. Also a big thanks to all the parents who helped us on the day.

PARENT TEACHER CRICKET MATCH

The Annual Parent-Teacher cricket match was played on Friday, May 22nd. This was the second year of the revamped Parent Teacher Cricket Match with the addition of a Hog Roast and a most enjoyable end of year social. The teachers won the match with an impressive display of bowling and batting. Over 300 parents and teachers enjoyed the evening sunshine and a great night.

We would like to thank the parents, friends and local business owners who contributed raffle prizes and auction items - funds raised from the event go to purchase sporting equipment for the school. A special thanks to Martin Ridgeway and Ray Walker for organising the parents and teachers' teams respectively. Many thanks to the parents and teachers for taking time out in what was a very enjoyable evening.

A very special thanks also to Duncan Cole, Peter Lynch & Thora Mackey for being the driving force in getting this event off the ground and ensuring it was a repeat success again this year. A special thank

you to fellow parent, Elaine Costello who was co-opted to help with the event and provided great assistance.

NEW EVENTS

We are delighted to be able to report on some new events:

JUNIOR CERT RESULTS DAY

Following an engagement with the Form 3 pupils we organised a paint ball event for the Junior Certificate Results Day in September 2014. By all accounts the day was a great success, no doubt aided by the glorious sunshine on the day. Following the success of the new format we will repeat the event in September 2015. Many thanks to Mary McDonnell and Finola Connolly for the organisation of this new approach to the Junior Certificate results and a thank you to Mr McCaughey for organising a poll of the Form 3 pupils to select an event and to Mr Malin for helping with the organisation.

SOCIAL EVENING

We supported the school to launch a series of informal gatherings with the Principal and senior staff. These events will become part of the formal social calendar of the school in the 2014-15 school year.

The Parents' Association continues to serve a very useful purpose as the conduit between the parents and the school. I would like to take this opportunity to extend my thanks to the dedicated crew of the association for their continued hard work and support throughout the year.

Please keep in touch via any member of the committee, or e-mail hsdparentsassociation@hotmail.com.

We look forward to seeing you at the AGM which will be held on Monday 28 September 2015 at 8 pm.

**Peter Smyth,
President and Chairman,
The High School Parents' Association**

THE HIGH SCHOOL AND DIOCESAN PAST PUPILS' UNION

2014/15

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PAST PUPILS' UNION REPORT

2014/2015 was a rather eventful year for me and for the Past Pupils' Union (PPU). I had the honour of becoming the first sole female president following on from Wayne Sheridan's in 2013. This innovation was only the first of many, as it had been some thirty years since I had last been on school premises and so my presidency was a bit like a blind date – full of excitement, laughter and some very funny moments.

I was elected President in May 2014 at the AGM and that night I headed down to Clare. The following day I was live on Clare FM with the other Ireland South candidates in the final run up to the European Elections. When asked by the host for my credentials in running for Europe, I proudly announced I was President of The High School PPU – although I am not sure this won me any votes in Clare!

Returning to the school again after the summer, we started to look at activities planned for the PPU. We had some housework to do first, which was the conversion of this august publication into a digital format for distribution. At the same time we also needed to mark its significance and celebrate its production. A two handed approach was favoured. Accordingly we launched the Erasmian and Diocesan Times in the school in September last year with the editorial team present. This year it will be a significant affair with the entire Form 6



invited back to collect their copy. This is a new tradition which will honour the work that goes into the magazine as well as provide the first reunion opportunity for the school's newest past pupils.

Technology also became very important over the past twelve months. A regular electronic newsletter was established with events and notices shared every month or so. We are continually adding names to the database. We also migrated the Facebook page to an 'association' so that it can continue to grow. Both innovations have gathered 'new' past pupils and subscribers to events.

Traditional activities were also enjoyed over the year – carol singing, golf outing and cricket and hockey events attracted familiar and new faces. The Mens' Dinner continued in January with great success



and I had the honour of addressing it as the President. As the only woman in The Reynolds Hall, I had to open my speech with ...'Hello Boys'. A great night and I am seriously considering a sex change so I can attend next year's dinner too.

New activities were initiated where we invited past pupils to return to the school. In March we intended to have Senator David Norris in to talk about his life and career – sadly a hospital procedure put paid to that event. However, he will return and we shall be even more blessed as we can hear first hand about his role in the wonderful #MarRef campaign. Director Lenny Abrahamson also gave a very fine talk about his work in film. And businessman Denis O'Brien launched our first business networking lunch.

The business networking event excited a lot of other interest and we are now planning a regular series of business networking events to support past pupils going forward.

Finally, the big news of my presidential year was the first mixed Past Pupils' dinner back in The Reynolds Hall. This involved a huge amount of work on behalf of the committee and resulted in a wonderful night. We had the High Hopes Choir singing at the beginning and musical comedian and past pupil Dermot Carmody closing the formal part of the evening. Roll on next year.

So, in conclusion I want to say well done to everyone on the PPU committee who all worked so hard and also to Ann Tector my sister and former President who practically joined the committee again (note to self, once a President, always a President). I welcome the Head Boy and Head Girl onto the committee going forward and I wish my successor John Gillis every success going forward.

Jillian Godsil
PPU President



PPU EVENTS
THE ANNUAL DINNER AND
SPORTS ACTIVITIES



Archives

It was decided to create a website dedicated to the Archive and this went online in January. Just as this happened I had a serious bicycle accident and this resulted in some fine metal work in my upper arm and a long period of rehabilitation for my shoulder. Nevertheless work continued and the site which can be accessed directly at <https://erasmusmithtrustarchives.wordpress.com/>

The site brings back online much information which has been absent of late, including the Google maps of the former schools funded by the Trust; a summary of records held on former schools and a new page of research links. With so much work published online, this links page connects to various projects that have recently utilised the Archive. The list includes a selection of World War I projects - articles like the HSD War Stories site set up by my teacher Michelle Burrowes, other articles on former HSD pupils who died in the Great War and even a radio clip.

For the WB Yeats 150th anniversary an exhibit was set up in the Library for the year using material from the Archive and a special section was produced by the *Irish Independent* with an article about his time at The High School. The article by Michelle McDonagh is online now has an image of the famous line from his class marks book which reports that Yeats was "always forgetting books".



Some long term research projects are coming closer to fruition also. Michael Kavanagh continued his work on a book on Galway Grammar School during the year at the Archive but also connecting with the GGS past pupils' network; Christopher McCormack completed his paper on Drogheda Grammar School which will be published next year. Queries were widespread as usual with inquiries about Ennis Grammar School and English Schools in Tarbert, Drumgarraff/Kilnagross and Lohort as well as former Estate queries in Sligo, Tipperary and Galway. HSD past pupil queries came in about scholarships, relatives, prize queries, and assorted genealogical searches.

Other connections and projects which are ongoing are the digitising of some important maps; the exchange of material with the Irish Hockey Archive, soon to be housed in Dublin City Library to which we have contributed several early photographs like the one above from 1893; and contacts with Mark Sweetman (former teacher at HSD), now Director of MPhil in Digital Humanities and Culture, School of English, Trinity College Dublin.

And finally on the weekend of the 15-16 August, 2015, 100 years after the tragic deaths of the Duggan brothers in Gallipoli, Anu Productions held test runs of a new play in the National Museum Collins Barracks. The play will be presented later in the year continuing the great work Anu are doing with their promenade theatre plays about the First World War. Check last year's edition for poetry and information on the Duggan brothers.

Alan Phelan Archivist

Erasmus Smith Trust English Schools and Grammar Schools Republic of Ireland

