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Nenagh Fun Day 2017

Congratulations to all the students and staff who took part in the Nenagh College 2017 Fun Day. All proceeds raised will help fund extracurricular activities in the school. We would also like to express our gratitude to Mr. Liam Heffernan and Adventure World for kindly sponsoring the event.



Back To Education Initiative (BTEI) Awards

Tipperary ETB's Back to Education Initiative (BTEI) Awards took place on Friday, 20th October at the Army Barracks, Clonmel. BTEI offers a return to learning for adults that is part time and flexible. Courses run all over Tipperary and offer students the opportunity to engage in learning from QQI Levels 3-5. Students can progress from the lower levels of education to courses that are employer focused and can take part on work placement to enhance their opportunities of moving into employment.

MC for the event was Kathleen Grimes, TETB BTEI Coordinator. Eileen Condon, Director of Further Education and Training and Kay Mullaney, Adult Education Officer, both spoke at the awards expressing their delight at celebrating adult learning and thanking all staff and tutors involved in delivering the programme along with the learners who attended.

Mr. Liam Ahearne, Mr. Eddie Morrissey, Mr. Donnacha McNamara and Ms. Toni Gleeson presented the QQI awards to students

who completed the following Major Awards: Learning for Everyday Living; Using Information and Communication Technologies in Everyday Life; Office Skills, Sports, Recreation and Exercise, Business Administration, Healthcare Support, Early Childhood Care and Education and Culinary Skills.

Certificates were also presented to those who had completed ESOL Level 4 (English for Speakers of other Languages)

The students came from Clonmel, Carrick-on-Suir, Cashel and Tipperary Town. They have been attending courses over the last two years and have completed at least 6 subjects for Level 3 or 8 subjects for Level 4 and 5. Many of the students who have completed Level 5 are now working part time or full time.

Congratulations and well done to all our BTEI students who received QQI Awards this year. We wish them every success in their future careers and thank them for their participation on our courses.



Present and past staff, students and the local community were united in celebrating the 75th anniversary of Borrisokane Community College on 20th October 2017. A joyous evening was had by all present. The third newly renovated workhouse which boasts a games room, library, resource rooms and extra classrooms was officially opened. Four surviving members from the first class which opened the school in 1942, Ms Betty Heenan (née Ryan), Ms Mary Healy (née Darcy), Mr Eamon Harte and Mr Jonathon Dann, were on hand to cut the ribbon. A retired teacher, T.J Egan has worked relentlessly over the last two years to put together a book of old photographs since 1942. This book was officially launched by past student Mr Eamon O' Shea. A heritage committee was set up in 2015 to encourage students through various subjects to complete research projects on the Borrisokane Workhouse and to appreciate the historical buildings on which the school stands. Wooden bilingual signs have been mounted on all the historical buildings including the Bakery, Boy's Dormitory, Girl's Dormitory, Men's Dormitory, Infirmary and the Workhouse main gate. Window frames from the Workhouse have been restored and display archived historical documents. Student project work and a model of the workhouse was on display. Tipp FM were present and will broadcast highlights from the evening on 'Down your way' with Eamon O' Dwyer. Students from the Trad and Strings groups performed music throughout the evening. A delicious array of canapés and refreshments were supplied by the school caterer Mr Michael O' Carroll and his staff.

CE of Tipperary ETB, Ms Fionuala McGeever and Principal, Mr Matthew Carr paid tribute to the great work done by many in ensuring the present state of art school facility was completed. TJ Egan and Eamon O' Shea reminisced of days gone by as both were past students of the school. Tribute was paid by TJ to all that helped him in bringing his book to print. Deputy Principal Ms Suzanne McMahon thanked all of the heritage committee members for their dedication and ongoing work with the NAPD sponsored project. 5th year history student Síofra Buckley reflected on her journey as a student involved with the heritage project. Her greater appreciation of the history of the buildings in which she learns daily. Finally Cllr John Hogan congratulated all present on the great reputation that Borrisokane Community College has. He thanked various guests for their contributions to the school throughout the years. Once again a very successful evening supported by the local community, parent's association, students, present and retired staff.

Carrick TY Bake Sale in conjunction with BOI



TY were involved in organising a Bake Sale in conjunction with Bank of Ireland on Wednesday 4th of October. It was a very successful event and created a great buzz at break time as students got to indulge in sweet treats which are not part of our everyday healthy eating menu. A total of €900 was donated to Young St. Vincent de Paul. Well done to all involved.



Former Coláiste Student, Gerry Davis awarded Hennessy Portrait Award

Coláiste Dún Iascaigh past student Gerry Davis has been making the headlines in the Art World and beyond recently. Gerry won the Hennessy Portrait Award recently which carried a prize of €15,000. He was then commissioned to create a portrait of Kilkenny Legend Henry Shefflin which now sits in the most prestigious art space in Ireland, The National Gallery.

Gerry returned to the Coláiste recently to present us with a copy of his award winning portrait 'Séan'. While in the Coláiste, Gerry talked about his time as a student here. He said that it would not come as a surprise that he cherished Mr. Corcoran's Art Class most of all.

Gerry also gave a masterclass to sixth year students who relished his expertise and the tips that he gave to students who will be sitting their Leaving Cert Art exam next June. The students really appreciated the time he gave to them.



Bee Workshop Report & Recommendations by Albert Nolan

The students at Cappawhite youthreach, supported by their tutor Mary Fitzpatrick are entering the eco UNESCO young environmentalist awards in the biodiversity section. They are planning to grow pollinator friendly plants that can be planted by Cappawhite and Tipperary tidy towns. The recently launched national pollinator plan encourages all sectors and groups to take actions that will help conserve and protect bees and also raise awareness around the vital work that pollinators do for people. Albert Nolan was invited to do a bee workshop with the students and develop recommendations on actions the students can take to help pollinators. Cappawhite Youthreach is located in the grounds of the old vocational school and there is plenty of space to develop bee friendly habitats in the school grounds.

While the physical planting for bees will be beneficial the best long term benefits is the new interest and awareness that the students have for bees.

Comeragh College Host Enterprise Town

On the 6th October 2017, Comeragh College held an event called 'Enterprise Town', which was an exhibition for all the businesses and organisations from Carrick on Suir and the surrounding areas. Over 120 businesses and organisations attended the event that was held in the school hall. Many special guests attended the event such as, Niamh Briggs, Michael Ryan, Dan Shanahan, Austin Gleeson, Mickey Harte and Dayl Cronin. Musical and dance clubs from the town also made appearances to perform. Rising Stars Variety Group, a dance group from Carrick performed a dance routine. Dayl Cronin, who was previously took part in the television programme 'Dancing with the Stars' and former member of the band 'Hometown' also performed with two dance routines. Some of this year's Transition Year class helped out at the event, they were a major contribution. They sold raffle tickets at the event and helped with the organisation and set up beforehand. A GAA quiz was held for all the GAA stars present.

The raffle was done and many prizes were won by people who attended. The Carrick on Suir Musical Society closed the event with some musical performance from shows they had done and more. All in all it was a fantastic event for the school, all the businesses and organisations involved and for all the people of Carrick.



Successful Careers Expo at Borrisokane Community College

On Wednesday, 27th September last, Borrisokane Community College hosted a careers exhibition in the school. The exhibition showcased many Higher Education, Further Education and Training opportunities with over thirty 3rd level institutions in attendance including Institutes of Technology, Universities, PLC colleges and Agricultural Colleges.

The highly successful event was organised by the Guidance Counsellor, Ms Annette Tierney, and the Guidance Team including Mr Noel Kearney. The exhibition gave students the opportunity to meet representatives from the range of further education centres and colleges. Students in attendance spent time gathering information on progression opportunities from local and national colleges. They also got advice on various entry routes into college to pursue careers of their choices from the representatives present.

Local banks and credit unions provided advice regarding student loans. There were varying presentations throughout the evening including making the transition from second to third level, engineering as a career choice or advice for those considering studying abroad.

Tipp Heroes Return to their Alma Mater

The staff and students paid tribute to their All-Ireland Winning Ladies Football Team last week in an exuberant celebration of their achievements. Eleven of the winning squad attended the Coláiste in the past and one, Rachel O'Donnell is still a student in sixth year.

As well as all that, Head Coach to the team Mr. Shane Ronayne is a teacher in the Coláiste. As the girls addressed the 500 plus students, they reminisced on their own past as members of hugely successful winning teams under the tutelage of Mr. Ronayne as well as Mr. Damien Byrne. Team captain Samantha Lambert also paid tribute to former Principal Ms. Mary Finnegan-Burke and current Principal Mr. Peter Creedon for their support of Gaelic Football in the Coláiste.

Special mention was given to supporter in chief and caretaker of the school Mr. Paddy Lonergan. Paddy was credited with helping with training pitches for the girls above and beyond the call of duty. Strength and Conditioning coach Alan O'Connor is also a past student of the Coláiste.

The players on the squad were:

Former pupils Caoimhe Condon, Aisling Moloney, Róisín Howard, Laura Dillon, Lauren Fitzpatrick, Jennifer Grant, Mairéad Morrissey, Samantha Lambert, Emma Buckley, Patricia Hickey, Alison Lonergan and current student Rachel O'Donnell.



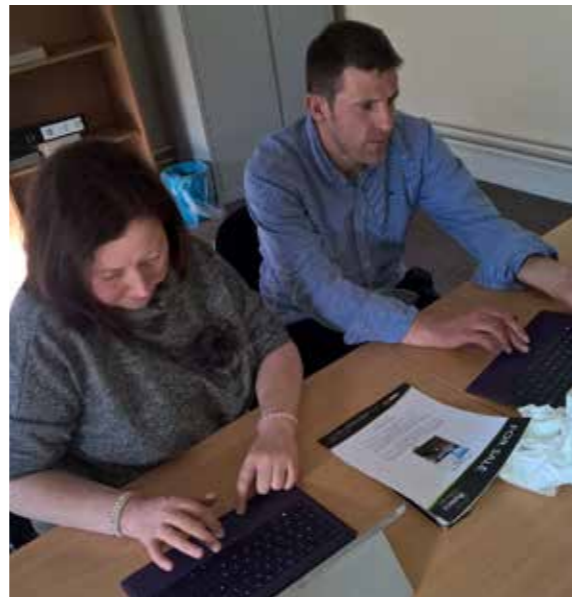
Workshops organised for ESOL tutors

The Adult Literacy Service prides itself on the quality of English language provision that it provides to Beginner and Elementary ESOL students.

At TETB ALS we see a huge value in exposing all our ESOL students to authentic materials. Students won't be able to understand everything, but by focusing on areas of interest and immediate need, our language students are given the confidence to engage with materials way above their language level and begin to understand them.

Earlier this year, the ALS organised a workshop to encourage tutors from all over the county to use more authentic materials with Beginner language learners. The workshop was facilitated by Lavinia English and after a discussion and demonstration on the benefits and uses of authentic materials all the tutors went out into the community to gather authentic materials and look at how they could be used in the Beginner ESOL classroom. Lesson plans were put together, presented to the group and shared with everyone using MS OneNote.

The workshop resulted in several well prepared, student centred lesson plans that are now readily available to use in class.



Evan Hickey Fund-Bake Sale TY Gaelcholáiste Chéitinn

Transition year students in Gaelcholáiste Chéitinn with their teacher Bróna Kinnane held a bake sale in October to raise money for the Evan Hickey fund. They raised €470 and were delighted with the support they received from the students and staff at the school. Everything was so tasty it was difficult to choose what to buy!!

Well done to all involved.



Great Celebrations at Tipperary Education and Training Board's Further Education Awards Ceremony, Nenagh 2017

Tipperary Education and Training Board (TETB) hosted their Further Education Annual Awards Ceremony in The Abbey Court Hotel on Thursday evening the 16th November 2017 for learners who attend Further Education Courses in Community Education, Basic Education, the Back to Education Initiative, and the Skills for Work programmes. This event is held to acknowledge the outstanding achievements of part-time learners within the service.

Eileen Condon Director of Further Education and Training opened the ceremony by welcoming John Fahey Vice Chairperson of TETB Committee, Liam Ahearn Chairperson of the Further Education and Training Committee, Kaye Mullaney Adult Education Officer, all the staff in the further education service, award recipients, their families and friends.

Eileen congratulated and acknowledged the hard work of all the learners on their achievements, and highlighted their importance as ambassadors of learning within the wider community.

John Fahey Vice Chairperson of TETB Committee also took the opportunity to extend a very warm comhghairdeas to all present on the night and wished every one future success.

Kaye Mullaney Adult Education Officer, spoke on behalf of the Further Education Service team thanking the family and friends of all learners who supported their learning journey as well as acknowledging the work of all staff across the service. Thanks was extended to all involved in the organisation on this very successful and celebratory occasion.

A total of 302 learners were invited to receive Certificates at this Awards Ceremony. Awards were presented to learners by Kaye Mullaney, Liam Ahearn, John Fahey and staff of the further education services.

Photographs and refreshments then followed this very enjoyable event.



Learners receiving their awards for a range of courses in computers, horticulture, childcare and general learning.

The Leviathan more than a mythical sea creature...

Borrisokane CC held their annual Birr Castle Science & History trip for 1st years on the 10th October. Students completed a science worksheet which involved them finding answers in the science museum and an ecology workshop based in the gardens. They also listened to the on-site guided science and historical tour. Many interesting facts regarding the Leviathan telescope, named after a mythical sea creature, were explained including its operation and its restoration in 1990's. The students enjoyed this trip immensely and even found time to climb Ireland's largest treehouse!



Cycle Against Suicide 2017

Borrisokane Community College collected the 2017 award as ambassador school for Cycle Against Suicide. The award was presented by Minister Helen McEntee. Borrisokane Community College has won this award three times which is a wonderful achievement for the school. Lorcan Tuohy, a 5th year student is a student leader for the country. Throughout the school year, teachers and students worked hard to promote positive mental health. Reinforcing and reminding all of the school community that "it's ok not to feel ok and it's absolutely ok to ask for help". This year's theme is "Empower Your Voice" and student leaders in our school look forward to working on this project throughout the year.



Chess in the sun anyone?

A beautiful new 'Outdoor Chess space was officially opened by Gearoid O' Donnell, past pupil of CDI and founder of the college Chess Club. The courtyard has two giant chess sets and five benches for spectators and supporters. Giant chess may look easier but because of the change in size of the pieces and the board from table top chess, it is really, much harder. The fact that the courtyard is overlooked by a number of classrooms and the seating area on the corridor adds a further difficulty in that there are many more spectators than usual.

Coláiste Principal, Mr. Peter Creedon welcomed Gearoid and his parents, other invited guests and members of the chess club. He spoke about the chess club and the benefit of playing chess. He described the club as a great resource that is available and used by the students every lunchtime throughout the year. Gearoid spoke about playing chess at lunch time when he attended the school as a student. He protested that he was probably the worst and slowest chess player but that the fun and friendships made were more important. He explained that the most important thing is to 'get inside the head of your opponent before they get inside yours'. Sound advice not just for chess but for life as well. He explained how he continued with gaming when he went to University College Cork, going on to become Auditor of the gaming society there. Seeing the number of students who now play chess every lunch time in the school and hearing that they play in competitions against other schools, locally and nationally, he said was amazing and he was very happy to see it.

Mr Landers then thanked all who had been involved in the creation of the outdoor chess space.



Congrats Katelyn Reilly

As a result of her excellent grades in Maths and Science in her Junior Cert, Scoil Ruáin student, Katelyn Reilly, has been selected by the Department of Education and Skills to attend the national Junior Science Olympiad competition in Dublin City University (DCU). From this pool of talented students, six students will be selected to represent Ireland at the European Union Science Olympiad in Slovenia next April. Scoil Ruáin is very proud of Katelyn's selection for this prestigious competition and we wish her the very best of luck.



Borrisokane attend Creative Engagement 2017 at IMMA



Students attended the Creative Engagement exhibition in the IMMA Dublin on Tuesday 3rd October. They enjoyed displaying their projects completed as part of a school's heritage project funded by the NAPD. Dr. Katie Sweeney National Director for the integration of the Arts in Education, officially opened the exhibition. There also was performances of Dance, Ballet workshop, Music and Choir. A huge interest in the project was expressed by many throughout the day and of student's work on display. Ms Eileen Forde and Ms Aoife Forde, teachers and committee members, led these student focused projects. This heritage project is a hugely successful and innovative ongoing project that endeavours to embed an appreciation of the historical significance of Borrisokane Community College into the school culture. The school was opened in 1942 in the buildings of an Irish workhouse. A modern state of the art facility is in existence today but students through this project are now more aware of the workhouse and its historical significance.



Principal Dr. Noel Colleran (Centre) with students who are studying a range of courses.

International Dimension at Templemore College of Further Education

Templemore College is excited to announce that 70 of their students will embark on foreign work placements next year. Each student will receive funding from the Erasmus+ programme for travel, accommodation, and living expenses. Students will gain an opportunity to experience life in another country, by attending language classes, working with a local company, and participating in organised cultural activities.

Currently, Templemore College sends 35-40 students abroad each year to complete work experience placements through the Erasmus+ programme in association with Léargas. Students can complete their work experience in Spain, France or Germany, in a wide range of areas; IT and Networks, Tourism with Languages, Business, Media Studies, Hairdressing, Beauty Therapy, Complementary Therapies, Make-up Artistry, Sports and Recreation, and Horticulture.

Students from Templemore College of Further Education gain valuable experiences in terms of learning a new language and technical skills in their areas of expertise but also in terms of personal growth. Students have also demonstrated a significant increase in self-confidence, maturity, and motivation upon their return home to Ireland. In addition, the Erasmus+ mobility experience will enhance the student's CV and help the student secure future employment, at home or abroad.

Coláiste Phobal win U14 Cup Shield

On Thursday 4th May 27 students from Coláiste Phobal played in the Rice Cup Shield. This is an annual hurling blitz for U14's. This year the blitz took place in Tipperary town. In their first group game Coláiste Phobal Ros Cré were victorious against the Abbey C.B.S. from Tipperary town. They narrowly lost to Kilkenny CBS in the second group match. However, their points earned were sufficient to qualify them for the division 2 semi-final where they beat Kilkenny CBS 2. They then played Scoil Muire Co-Ed, Thurles in the final and beat them on a score line of 6.06 to 3.03. There were great performances throughout the day and it augers well for the future of hurling in Coláiste Phobal. Congratulations to all the players involved and well done to their trainers Mr. McCormack and Mr. Maher.



Newport College fundraise €250 in aid of Barnardos

Transition year students from Newport College in conjunction with their teacher Mr. Hegarty recently held a very successful coffee morning in aid of Barnardos which supports children whose wellbeing is under threat, by working with them, their families and communities and by campaigning for the rights of children. Barnardos work is about changing children's lives and Newport College was delighted to raise over €250 for such a fantastic cause. Barnardos supplied the Transition Years with t-shirts and donation buckets that were placed at the front entrance and by the serving tables. The TY students had a fun time doing it and got a lot of experience around event planning.

Coding Hub - Pilot School

As a pilot school of the Coding Programme for Ireland, several of our teachers in Coláiste Mhuire Co-Ed Thurles are embarking on the coding training being provided by the Flexible Learning Department in LIT.

Students visited GOOGLE as part of the Digital Championship project last year. Following on from this inspiring visit it was decided to create a GOOGLE classroom. Subsequently, a new room has been designed which is colourful, and brings inspiration, creativity and an energy to the students' work. The chairs are ergonomically designed for maximum comfort and well-being and were kindly donated and sponsored by the Parents Association.



No expense was spared in providing the technology. Taking inspiration from the GOOGLE visit plus an earlier School Business Partnership visit to Johnson & Johnson, one wall is painted with special paint that can in turn be utilised as a white board.

At the official opening by Tipperary hurling star Dan McCormack, a number of board members attended including Cllr. Michael Lowry (Chair of Board), Cllr John Hogan, Séamus Hoyne (Head of Development LIT), Parents representatives, Mary T. Spillane and David Clarke, Teacher representatives Dara Fahy and Olivia Ryan. Also present were members of the Parents Association Mary Russell (treasurer), Joe O'Sullivan (Chairperson), and Eileen Ryan (PRO). Students and teachers also joined us on the night. On behalf of the student body Jack Cooney Shorley (who is a member of the school's Digital Youth Media team) thanked the staff and parents Association and delivered a very fine speech outlining the inspiration behind the project.

Nenagh Halloween Disco

Our Annual Halloween Disco was successful in raising much needed funds for worthy charity, St Vincent de Paul. A fun filled Gym at Nenagh College hosted a disco for our current First Year Students, with traditional and some new Halloween Games, with a Spanish twist from our current International students. Best Costumes and dance moves were on display as well as , Senior and Junior Art exhibitions. All Prizes were kindly sponsored by local businesses without which this event could not take place. Many thanks to all who contributed including Aneva Boutique, Easons, Kweetwo Dromineer, Finnertys Chemist, The Shoe Corner, Alpha Fashions, Walshes, JKC, Ryans Chemist, Lisa Bakers Boutique and Denis Butchers our Canteen Get Fresh. Congratulations to all Transition Year Students who worked hard on this event with all their teachers.



Comeragh College students were busy this year raising much-needed funds for various charities



Goal Jersey Day : TY students Comeragh College organised GOAL Jersey day on Friday 13th October. They raised €500 for the organisation. They also distributed wristbands and ribbons as part of Positive Mental Health week. 5th year students proudly wore their county colours

Irish Wheelchair Association Photo with Transition Years: Pictured are the Transition Year students at Comeragh College who together with their teachers Mr. Breen and Ms Cummins sold angel badges to raise funds for the Irish Wheelchair Association.

Tipperary ETB Student Leader Congress 2017

Nenagh College were delighted to host the inaugural Tipperary Education and Training Board, Student Leadership Congress.

140 students from the eleven Tipperary ETB schools gathered to hear talks on a range of issues and topics relevant to the audience on the day.

Chairperson of the Nenagh College Student Council, Ciara McDonnell, welcomed the delegates and their teachers on behalf of the school with Cllr. John Hogan, Chairperson of Tipperary ETB echoing the welcome on behalf of the ETB.

CE of Tipperary ETB, Ms. Fionuala McGeever, set the context of ETB education and its evolution and development over the decades to the vibrant education provider which is the modern-day ETB.

Ross Munnely, Director of Alumni Relations at Dublin City University, delivered a very engaging message on the myriad of opportunities available to school goers through higher and further education and the strong tradition of ETB on delivering Post Leaving Cert courses and back to education initiatives.

Marguerite Kiely, Pieta House, delivered a very positive message on Mental Health, awareness, and prevention.

The Keynote speaker, Dr. Niall Muldoon, gave an inspiring talk on the voice of youth and the potential to effect real change which exists within the youth of the country.

Tipperary Youth Services spent the next part of the day in workshops with the student councils working on a vision for



the future of the youth voice in Tipperary ETB schools and a strategy for beginning same.

The Congress was brought to a close by Ashling Dunphy, a student of Comeragh College, Tipperary ETB's school in Carrick-on-Suir. Ashling shared her experiences of her work in the local community and how a persistence and focus can lead to reaching your goal. She gave many examples of initiatives she has been involved in at local, national, and international level.

Reflecting on the success of the day, school Principal, Damien Kennedy spoke of the vision within Tipperary ETB for this forum for students which will enable all the schools to embrace the student body as true partners in the education enterprise more fully.

Borrisokane students enjoy Miss Saigon



On Wednesday the 15th of November, Borrisokane students of music from a range of year groups travelled to Dublin. They were all set to enjoy the flawless live musical, Miss Saigon, being staged at the Bord Gáis Energy Theatre. Students enjoyed the opportunity to do a little stopping at the Liffey Valley shopping centre prior to the evening show. Their anticipation for the show was escalating.

The cast of actors gave a wonderfully strong performance. All in all students were left speechless by the performance of Miss Saigon. This trip proved an excellent way to develop their understanding and appreciation of music. A ten out of ten performance agreed by all! By Joseph Donnelly and Elena Mackey

BT Young Scientist & Technology Exhibition

The BT Young Scientist and Technology Exhibition is an amazing experience for not only students but teachers and the public. Students from TY and Science Club were given the opportunity to enter this wonderful competition; luckily, two groups were successful in their submission to display their projects at the RDS in January.

The first group was from TY composed of three students: Edwin Reynolds, Luke McNamara and Anastasia Ivanova-Brujeva. Their Project entitled: Common Misconceptions about Autism among Students. This project was based on the misconceptions of Autism within secondary schools, the students plan to identify key misconceptions about Autism among secondary school students to see if the general student populace is informed on the condition itself.

The second group were from 2nd year, the group was composed of: Eryk Adamczyk, Conan Harrison Quillity, and Tadhg Sheehan. Their project entitled: To investigate the effects of mobile phones on academic performance. These students hope to identify whether phone usage effect students studying or impact their grades. Additionally, the students in both groups will be analysing results from both qualitative and quantitative research methods.

This exhibition allows students to grow and develop a real passion for science and the ability for them to think for



themselves along with developing a curiosity about the world around them. It also builds their confidence in presenting as they learn how to articulate their ideas as they need to explain their project to judges. This hands-on approach to science can benefit students and help them in all areas of their learning and life. This experience was available to our students thanks to our sponsors from Quality Recycling, Derry. Without their help this would not have been possible.

VTOS Carrick-on-Suir new course up and running

We are delighted to announce that the new VTOS course is up and running since September. This is a first for VTOS in that they are now providing a full level 5 QQI award in Contact Centre Operations.

Ten Students began the 8 module course in September 2017 and hope to have it completed in June 2018. The course covers a range of IT based

modules, Business Administration, Customer Service, Call Centre Skills and students will also engage in local placement to complete their vocational area work experience module. The course runs from 9.00 – 3.00 Monday to Friday

We would like to wish all the students the best of luck in their academic endeavours.



Scoil Ruáin - Raising of The Amber Flag

On Friday October 27th, Scoil Ruain raised it's first Amber Flag in recognition of our promotion of Mental Health and Wellbeing. Raising the Amber Flag just before embarking on our 5KM walk gave a wonderful sense of community and togetherness. The school community, led by the Wellbeing Team became involved in various wellbeing initiatives throughout the school year. Some of these initiatives included 'The Little Things' poster campaign, the introduction of our first 'Wellness Wall', student meditation and a very enjoyable Mental Health Awareness Day. Various visits made to the school helped students understand the importance of looking after their mental health and being mindful of their friends and fellow students. Visitors included Teenline, Barnardos, Tipperary Sports Partnership, Bodywhys and Youthwork Tipperary.



Fresher's Day at Templemore College of Further Education

Templemore College of Further Education kicked off the academic year with a busy and fun filled Fresher's Day on Friday 1st September. Over 400 full time adult students took part in events such as 'Minute to Win it' team challenges, table quiz and 'The Cube' challenge. The students received complimentary 'goodie bags' containing lots of student discounts, promotions and freebies. Fresher's Day was initiated a number of years ago in the college and aims to engage students with the college

environment and with each other in a fun and positive way. It is a fantastic opportunity for students to get familiar with the college campus, meet the teachers and staff and get to know their class peers. The Student Union supports and funds this annual event. The principal and staff at Templemore College wish all of their students a happy and successful year ahead!

Delicious! The Great Knockanrawley Bake-Off

Our Tipperary ETB Evening Training class recently completed their Skills Demonstration 'Afternoon Tea Trays' in Bread, Pastry & Desserts Class, based in Knockanrawley Resource Centre.

The class is pictured below with tutor Kathy Gallagher.



Retirements within Tipperary Education & Training Board

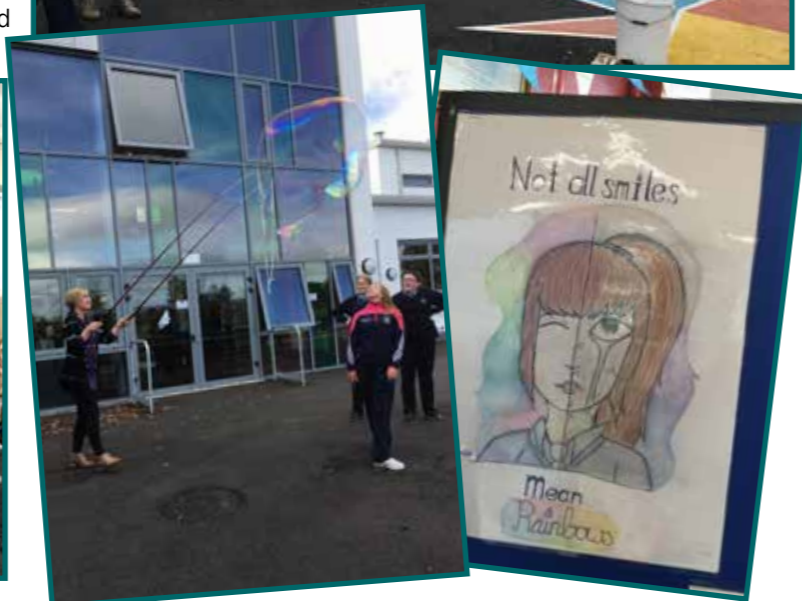
Tipperary Education and Training Board (ETB) would like to acknowledge the three hundred and seventy seven years' collective service given by the sixteen staff members who retired in the academic year 2016/2017. Staff retiring represented grades from ancillary, administration, Special Needs Assistant and teaching areas. Tipperary ETB would like to wish all the retired staff a happy and healthy retirement.



Back Row (L-R): Mr. Liam O'Mahoney, Ms. Carmel Whelan, Mr. Tim Corcoran, Mr. Donald Cullen, Ms. Mary d'Estelle Roe, Mr. Noel Lonergan. Front Row (L-R): Cllr John Hogan (Chairperson, Tipperary ETB); Ms. Ann Corcoran, Ms. Anne Murray, Ms. Kaye McAuley, Ms. Maureen Treacy, Ms. Fionuala McGeever (Chief Executive, Tipperary ETB). Missing from Photograph: Ms. Maree Tucker, Ms. Clare Cahalan, Ms. Antoinette Coffey, Ms. Theresa Gregory, Ms. Breda Joyce, Ms. Gerardine Lonergan.

Mental Health Awareness Week at Comeragh College

Students from all years were very busy for Mental Health Awareness Week. The activities were varied and the following are just some of the activities that took place. Second Years took part in a poster making competition. The Theme was anti-bullying/ positive mental health. Brendan Cummins visited the school and spoke to the 5th and 6th Years about the importance of wellbeing and living in the now. Students also attended a LGBT workshop. TY students attended a Seminar in the RDS and took part in an activity with Miss Hegarty called "Releasing Your Fears and Worries". A great week was had by all and well done to all the teachers who helped organise the week.



Energising Walk and Talk for Mental Health Awareness Week

As part of Positive Mental Health Awareness Week which took place from the 9th to 15th, October, the Tipperary Education and Training Board Adult Literacy service organised a Walk and Talk event, led by Tipperary Ladies Football Captain and Comeragh College teacher, Samantha Lambert. Over 50 staff and adult education students turned up at the Clonmel Barracks campus to meet Samantha on Wednesday October 11th and from there, went for an energising 4K walk on the bank of the River Suir.

Sport plays a huge part in Samantha's life and she gave a very interesting speech about the link between exercise and sport with good mental health, saying that "from my own experience, after doing a hard training session I might not feel physically brilliant but my mind certainly feels alive, alert and ready to meet any challenges I might face. Whether you are playing sports, working out at a gym, or taking a brisk walk, physical activity releases chemicals in your brain that make you feel happier and more relaxed". Samantha finished by offering two pieces of advice: 'Don't listen to yourself, talk to yourself instead' and 'Doubt your doubts not your abilities'. Very good advice indeed!

Other TETB events promoting good mental wellbeing held this week, included a Mindfulness session with Dee Brady and a Boot Camp session for Beginners, given by Gabrielle and Billy.



Coláiste Dun Iascaigh celebrate The World of Books

The Coláiste was alive with pride and excitement on Wednesday 18th of October as the school celebrated the grand opening of the new Library with a visit from Felix O'Neill and a Mad Hatter's Tea Party.

Staff, students and members of Cahir community gathered together as the ribbons were cut to mark the official opening of these facilities which are so valuable to the school community.

Felix O'Neill, a collector and restorer of rare books, opened our new library. He spoke about his love of books and the printed word, emphasizing the need to keep a love of reading alive in this technological age. He believes that books can become trusted friends and intimate companions of everyday life. As a restorer of books, he feels he is bringing them back to life. Felix brought with him a selection of his treasures and allowed the audience to browse through them. He has up to five thousand books in his collection and one of the books he had on display dated back to the 7th century. The students were enthralled at their content and their beautiful illustrations.

Emily Linehan, 6th Year, spoke on behalf of the student body. She talked about the importance of a vibrant school library, describing it as an oasis of calm in the midst of the busy school day. She said it is a place of discovery, of wonder and fun and how delighted the students are to have such a wonderful facility.

Finally, Mr. Peter Creedon, Principal, addressed the attendees, acknowledging the wonderful work of the Library Committee, made up of students and teachers. To bring proceedings to celebratory close, all attendees were invited to enjoy refreshments at a Mad Hatter's Tea Party during which students mingled, dressed as characters from their favourite literary work.



Apprenticeship Advanced Certificate Craft Awards Ceremony in Kilkenny

Congratulations to all of the Tipperary ETB apprentices, who were presented with their Advanced Craft Certificates by Dr. Mary-Liz Trant, SOLAS in Lyrath Hotel, Kilkenny on 9th November 2017

23 apprentices completed their apprenticeships within the following crafts:

- AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS
- CARPENTRY AND JOINERY
- ELECTRICAL
- ELECTRICAL INSTRUMENTATION
- FARRIERY
- HEAVY VEHICLE MECHANICS
- MECHANICAL AUTOMATION AND MAINTENANCE FITTING
- METAL FABRICATION
- MOTOR MECHANICS
- PLUMBING
- VEHICLE BODY REPAIRS



Cólaiste Mhuire, Thurles PLC Artistic Adventure

"The Art & Design PLC students of Colaiste Mhuire Co-Ed here in Thurles embarked on an artistic adventure where they launched an exhibition entitled 'Emerging Artists'. A creative and eclectic collection of their Artworks, i.e. Painting & Photography will be on display at The Source Arts Centre & Thurles Library from 14th November to until 12th December, 2017. The exhibition was officially launched by Jean Forbes Cooke on the 14th November, 2017.



Coláiste Dún Iascaigh Comic Club Creations

A number of like-minded students have come together in Coláiste Dún Iascaigh to celebrate and create a comic club. They all have a love of comic art and storytelling through this medium. The students create their own comics. They have many different interests from sci-fi and dystopian work through to eastern manga art and action pieces to comic and humorous work.

The students examine storytelling from idea generation through to producing their own work. They look at biographing characters and their relationships along with studying different drawing techniques and framing.

The students have felt that the sharing of their ideas and techniques has helped them refine and define their own work.

All in the Coláiste are looking forward to seeing the work of these amazing artists in the future.



Templemore College announce establishment of the Jerry O'Shea Scholarship

Templemore College is delighted to announce the establishment of the Jerry O'Shea Scholarship for a number of PLC students in the College.

The Jerry O Shea Scholarship originated from Jerry's passion for education and the conviction that education is not only indispensable when it comes to making a living, it is also vital regarding self esteem, free thinking, and being responsible for oneself as well as the well being of others. This scholarship is testament to Jerry's lifelong pursuit of knowledge and his belief that the only limitations in life are those we set for ourselves.

Each Scholarship will provide a bursary of €500.00 on an annual basis to fund fees and other expenses associated with being a full-time student in Templemore College of Further Education.

Photo - Principal Dr. Noel Colleran Templemore College of Further Education receiving the Jerry O'Shea Scholarship from his wife Bridget O'Shea.

Roscrea TY head off to Barcelona

On April 23rd, forty-five transition year students along with six of their teachers embarked on what proved to be an absolutely, amazing trip to Barcelona. The trip was three action packed filled days. The trip began by visiting the Nou Camp and Las Rambles along with some sight-seeing in the beautiful city of Barcelona. Day two proved to be the favourite of many, as the day was spent in Port Aventura under a blistering sun before a round of bowling to end the day. The trip was then tied off by finishing some sight-seeing followed by some shopping in the Mare Magnum. Finally, the tour finished with a trip to the aquarium. The trip proved to be a truly unforgettable experience. Many thanks to Miss Kearns for organising this fantastic trip and to Miss Daly, Miss Egan, Miss Kearns, Miss Mulrooney, Mr Maher and Mr O Connor for accompanying the students on the trip.



'Let's Able not Label' Joanne O'Riordan's project launch

St Ailbe's was the venue for the launch of the "Let's Able not Label" project by Joanne O'Riordan. This project is a HSE led, multi-agency partnership project that engaged with Tipperary County Council, three Tipperary Town Secondary Schools, LIT Tipperary, Disability agencies and community volunteers. Joanne is an incredible young lady and everyone present were inspired and motivated by her excellent speech. As part of the project twelve Transition Year Students designed and created the "Let's Able Not Label" video which includes communication tips enabling all students to interact and engage with each other, based on principles of equality and universal accessibility. It aims

to ensure students can support each other and communicate effectively together in an accessible environment for all. The project has the potential to achieve a great level of disability awareness amongst young people based on targeted use of existing resources in the community. The project was developed by working in an inter-agency manner, where funding and skill sets were shared and used in a focused way that enabled young people to work together in a learning environment with a view to passing on that learning in a programme that is accessible to all in their schools in the future. The DVDs and workbooks will be of great benefit to any school which uses them.



Scoil Ruáin Killenaule Careers Exhibition

On Thursday the 12th October, 2017 Scoil Ruáin, Killenaule, hosted a very successful Careers Exhibition organised by our Guidance Counsellor, Ms. Joan Costigan.

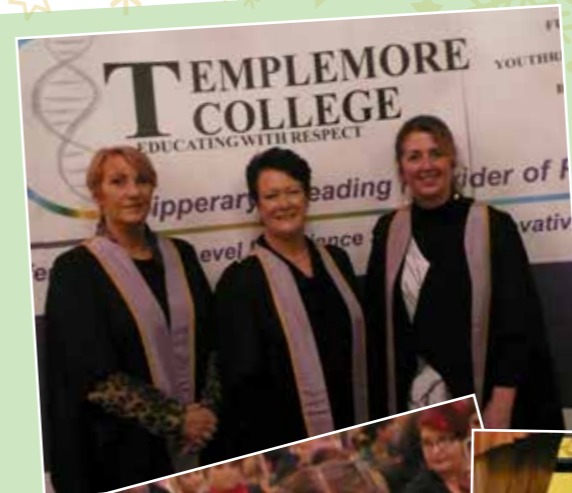
This was an opportunity for our students to speak personally to representatives of all the major Irish colleges on their very own doorstep. Information was available on applications to all third level courses, apprenticeships, Garda and Army careers and student support services. This was, in fact, a one stop shop for our senior students in preparation for entry into further and continuing education.

The event was open, not only to our own students in Scoil Ruáin, but to the school communities in the surrounding areas, all of whom were invited to attend on the day. The feedback from those students who availed of this opportunity was extremely positive and students were appreciative of the invitation.

This is our third year to host the event and it has gone from strength to strength. We are grateful to all of our exhibitors – Colleges, Institutes of Technology, PLC Sector, Agricultural Colleges, Garda and Defence Forces and those involved in the training of apprentices. Our thanks also to Una O'Brien who provided students with general information on nursing as a career.



TEMPLEMORE COLLEGE GRADUATION 2017



Scoil Ruáin Senior Basketball Champions of the South East

Scoil Ruain Senior Basketball Champions of the South East. Scoil Ruáin faced off against Callan in the South East Basketball Final on 27th November 2017. The venue for the final was Waterford Institute of Technology. The girls had great support from the school and finished the match on a score line of 53-39 to be crowned South East Senior Basketball Winners. Huge congratulations to all.



ETB County Champions superb victory for Coláiste Mhuire Co-Ed

Congratulations to the 1st & 2nd yr hurlers of Coláiste Mhuire Co-Ed Thurles on their superb victory in the ETB all-county tournament held recently in Clonoulty/Rossmore GAA Grounds. Pictured in the photo are the elated group of players in celebratory mood with their trophy. Maith sibh!

Colourful & Creative: Top Stylist visits Templemore College

The Hairdressing Department at Templemore College of Further Education recently hosted a workshop in creative and fantasy hair styling which was facilitated by top industry expert Maeve O'Healy Harte. The students learned how to think outside the box and created some fantastic fantasy pieces. These were colourful and creative and contained the 'wow' factor. This workshop complimented what is already being thought in the department as part of the full time hairdressing programme at Templemore College.

The Hairdressing programme in the College is a two-year full-time City & Guilds course which gets hairdressing careers off to a great start. This course which is not only designed for school leavers but for those who have worked in another career and may have decided that hairdressing is the right career option for them. Upon successful completion students are awarded an International Diploma in Hairdressing, which is recognised in 120 countries and is the standard qualification to work nationally and internationally.

Photographed below: Students and their teachers with guest facilitator Maeve O'Healy Harte in the Hairdressing Salon at Templemore College of Further Education.



Coláiste Phobal Ros Cré fun day to promote health and wellbeing

On Friday May 5th a school fun day took place in Coláiste Phobal Ros Cré. The purpose of the day was to promote a sense of wellbeing, encourage positive attitudes and to encourage an atmosphere of positivity around the school. All students took part in the day's festivities which consisted of two distinct styles of activity.

Indoors, there were a variety of inflatable challenges that aimed to test balance, coordination, speed and agility. These challenges were; The Wrecking Ball, Total Wipeout, The Eliminator, Dash and Grab and Last Man Standing. These activities allowed both students and staff to burn off some excess energy and have great fun while doing so.



Outdoors there were five more events for students to try their hand at. The outdoor activities included; Target Practice, Tug-of-war, Welly Toss, Novelty Relays and The Cube. Coupled with each

of these activities were smaller fun based activities and challenges that were suitable for all students. The day finished with the main event, The Teachers Vs The Students Soccer Match. The day would not have been as successful without the help, co-operation

and positive contributions of all the students in attendance. Well done to Mr Mc Cormack who along with other teachers organised a memorable day for both students and staff. It is hoped that a similar day will be organised as an annual tradition.



La Journée Européenne des Langues – Newport College

Did you know that there are 2,700 languages with 7,000 individual dialects spoken around the world today? To celebrate La Journée Européenne des Langues/ Lá na dTeangacha Eorpacha, students in Newport College marked the day with a variety of fun activities. The objectives of European Day of Languages are to alert the public to the importance of language learning, to raise awareness of Europe's rich language and cultural diversity and to encourage lifelong language learning in and out of school. Activities included the performance of songs, video-making, class quizzes, competitions, flags displays and the designing of posters. Students also sampled some cuisine française which was extrêmement délicieuse!

Pictured here are 2nd year students Áine O' Gorman, Chelsea Keogh, Leah Cooke and Hollie Coleman filming their vidéo française for European Day of Languages.

Nenagh College Star Shines at Junior Eurovision Song Contest

Congratulations to Cailín Creamer of Nenagh College who took part in the Junior Eurovision Song Contest with her song Ní mhaireann aon rud go deo. Cailín worked on this song with the help of her music teacher Kay Tierney. The track was arranged by notable performer and composer Dennis Carey, assisted by Tony Monaghan. The song is available to hear on the schools Facebook page.



Surf's Up for Newport Transition Year

The transition year programme has recently been rolled out at Newport College with students almost instantly engaged in activities and events. The transition year programme aims to build maturity by making students more self-directed learners through the development of general, technical and academic skills. It also promotes personal and social maturity by providing opportunities to develop communication skills, self-confidence and a sense of responsibility.

Newport College is placing a particular emphasis on developing teamwork skills with the students, as this is critical in third level studies and in the workforce. Team bonding is essential to this and a recent trip surfing in Clare helped to develop our student's team building efforts.



Newport College Basketball

Congratulations to Newport College first year boys Basketball team who recently competed in the Tipperary ETB Basketball blitz. Throughout the blitz Newport put in some excellent performances and were unlucky not to reach the finals. Our first year girls' basketball team will be featuring in the coming weeks. A huge thanks to Miss Keating for the huge effort in promoting basketball within the school.

Tipperary hurler Noel McGrath hosts Scoil Rúain workshop day

Tipperary Hurler and back-to-back All-Star award winner Noel McGrath took time out to do a full day player and athlete development workshop with our senior hurlers today in Scoil Rúain. A great day was had by all!



Token Time positivity at St. Ailbe's



Congratulations to our first year students who won first place in our 'token' reward system, which ran throughout the first term. On the 27th of October all first years were rewarded with a trip for lunch to celebrate their win.

The token system was introduced in 2016 to promote positive behaviour in our school. During our first term, the focus was on corridor behaviour. Students receive a token for positive corridor behaviours such as lining up outside classrooms, walking on the right, being respectful, using an indoor voice etc

Rewarding positive behaviour helps students to learn social skills and the system allows them to have fun in the process. Our first year's efforts were rewarded



with a trip to a local restaurant. Representing our school in such a positive way helps to develop confidence and adds to their wellbeing. Well done to all involved.

Coláiste Dún Iascaigh TY Volunteering Programme in full swing

The Coláiste's Transition Year Volunteering Programme is in full swing again this year. This programme teaches our students the value of being part of their local community. For two hours each Wednesday our students undertake work in various facilities throughout the town of Cahir and the surrounding areas.

They work with local charity shops in the town, Cahir Daycare Centre, the two Primary Schools, our Parish office as well as the local creches. Charity is an important aspect of the ethos of the Programme and students also work with charities such as South

Tipp Hospice, The Irish Wheelchair Association, iCan Ireland to name but a few. The students have raised much needed funds for these organisations.

As part of this programme, the students have also linked up with our local Social Security Office in order to receive and understand the working of the new Social Services Registration Card. As a school we are very proud of the wonderful work our students do and are grateful for the kindness and support, our local organisations show us.

St. Ailbe's students represent school on trip to Lourdes

On the 16th of June 2017, we embarked on our journey to Lourdes. As three St. Ailbe's students we had the privilege to represent our school, our parish and the youth of our diocese, Cashel and Emly.

Lourdes is such a special place but for anyone who has not experienced it for themselves visiting Lourdes through the eyes of a helper is something quite remarkable. You can't help but experience it as a place where the atmosphere is simply filled with love, joy, helpfulness and friendliness.

At the beginning of our trip we felt nervous as we didn't know many youth joining us. However, by the end of our six amazing days we became true friends with the youth, helpers, nurses and assisted pilgrims.

Our main duties in Lourdes were to assist with meal times and transporting the assisted pilgrims to the different ceremonies but most importantly giving of our time, humour and simply being there for a friendly chat. We attended many ceremonies including the anointing of the sick, blessing of the helpers' hands, torch light procession and many more. We had the opportunity to hike from Lourdes to Bartres with our Archbishop Kieran O' Reilly. It was a tough but remarkable experience.

Despite the scorching temperatures of up to 36C we did not let it affect our enjoyment of the trip. Without a doubt we will be venturing back to this wonderful place where everyone feels like family.

We would like to thank everyone who made our trip possible. It has definitely been our highlight of 5th year and we would undoubtedly recommend it to anyone who has the chance to visit this remarkable place.

Kathy Childs, Maria Nash and Catherina Coughlan St. Ailbe's School.



Coiscéim visit to Fethard Horse Country Experience

On Friday 22nd September some students from Coiscéim with their SNAs and teachers visited Fethard Horse Country Experience located in The Tholsel, Main Street, Fethard. Here they were welcomed by Shannon Forrest and they explored the story of the horse and its role in Irish culture over 2000 years.

The experience was fully interactive and students were able to see the relationship between the people, the land and the horse revealing how they are all linked. They learned about The Myths, The History, The Landscape, The War Horse, The Farm Horse and The Race Horse. The highlight of the experience was the visit to the full size skeleton of Saddlers Wells on the top floor of the exhibition. This skeleton has been kindly donated to the exhibition by the Magnier Family, Coolmore Stud. The group finished with lovely refreshments in the cafe on the ground floor. A great day was had by all and they would highly recommend it to all.



Furniture Upcycling workshop



ETB Upcycling techniques workshops with Cher reupholstery and linen decoupage

ETB upcycling with Cher Blanket box renovation

Tipperary Education and Training Board Annual Student Awards Ceremony 2017

Tipperary Education and Training Board held their annual Student Awards ceremony in Thurles on Friday, 29th September, 2017. The awards ceremony is held annually to acknowledge the outstanding achievements of the students who attended the Post Primary Schools under the remit of the Tipperary ETB. This event is significant in the Tipperary ETB calendar each year. Ms. Fionuala McGeever, Chief Executive of Tipperary ETB opened the ceremony by welcoming the Chairperson, Director of Schools, Guest Speakers, TETB Members, TETB Staff Members; Principals, Deputy Principals and Staff from the eleven schools, award recipients, their families and friends. Students from Newport College; Coláiste Dun lascaigh, Cahir; Nenagh College; Coláiste Chluain Meala, Clonmel; Gaelcholáiste Chéitinn, Clonmel; Borrisokane Community College; Comeragh College, Carrick-on-

Suir; Coláiste Phobal Ros Cré; St. Ailbe's, Tipperary Town; Coláiste Mhuire Co-Ed., Thurles; and Scoil Ruáin, Killenaule. Students were presented with an award and a certificate under the following categories: Best Leaving Certificate, Best Leaving Certificate Applied, Personal Achievement, Best Sporting Achievement. Ms. McGeever then closed the ceremony by thanking all for attending this momentous occasion. She congratulated the students and wished them well for the future. She gave some inspiring words for each of the recipients. She encouraged all students to get involved in their local communities wherever they may settle in the future and asked them to remember "excellence is not an act but a habit". She also paid tribute to their teachers, parents/guardians and thanked them for choosing and ETB education for their children.



Borrisokane Community College



Coláiste Chluain Meala, Clonmel



Coláiste Dun lascaigh, Cahir



Coláiste Mhuire Co-Ed., Thurles



Coláiste Phobal Ros Cré



Comeragh College, Carrick-on-Suir



Gaelcholáiste Chéitinn, Clonmel



Nenagh College



Scoil Ruáin, Killenaule



St. Ailbe's, Tipperary Town



Newport College



Newport College awarded CAS Ambassador



On the 12th of September, Newport College students received the Cycle against Suicide Ambassador award for 2017. The students travelled up to the Royal Hospital Kilmainham, in Dublin where they amongst other schools received their award. Huge congratulations to all involved in achieving the CAS Ambassador School Status.



Clonmel Careers Week

Career Awareness Week took place in Coláiste Chluain Meala on the week of the 23rd November 2017. One of the guest speakers was Paul Cremmins, a former student of CTI Clonmel. Paul talked to our students about Apprentices and the importance of Maths and his career path from leaving school after 3rd year to becoming a company Director in Suir Engineering Waterford.

To finish off Career Awareness Week on Friday we had retired Army Officer Eric Larkin speaking to senior students about his life in the Army. From a student in the High School passing Kickham Barracks on his daily trek to school to a Peace Keeper in Lebanon, Chad and West Sahara. He spoke to students about the Career opportunities within the Defence Forces and the lifelong friendships he has made throughout his time with the Army. We would like to thank Paul and Eric for coming in and spending a great deal of time talking to our students across in all our schools.



Coláiste Chluain Meala CSPE fundraiser

Third year students in Coláiste Chluain Meala completed their CSPE project yesterday which was a fundraiser in aid of safe house Cambodia. They prepared beans on toast at breakfast time for the whole student body! Well done to all involved.

School Musicals



Bring It On - Coláiste Mhuire Co-Ed



Grease- Killenaule



Circle of Life - Tipp Town



Beauty & The Beast - Roscrea



Grease- Killenaule



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Coláiste Phobal Ros Cré Transition Year students visit China

On the 6th of April 2017, 108 students from around Ireland travelled to Shanghai, China along with 7 Irish teachers and 9 Chinese teachers from University College Cork. Ross Du Berry and Eoin Kiely, two transition year students from Coláiste Phobal Ros Cré were amongst the 108 students that travelled. Every day (even Sundays) the students studied Chinese and calligraphy in Shanghai University. The students thoroughly enjoyed these classes and found them very informative. However, the trip was not all about studying, it also incorporated many cultural trips and activities. The trips varied from visiting the Ancient Watertown of Zhujiajiao, Suzhou Pagoda, climbing to the top of the East Pearl TV Tower with a transparent floor that overlooked the entire city and the occasional shopping trip to the markets. This trip would not have been possible without the help of Confucius Institute of Asian Studies in U.C.C. and Shanghai University. Many thanks

also to sponsors Hanban in Beijing. Huge credit is due also to Miss Aoife Daly who accompanied Ross and Eoin throughout their two-week trip of a lifetime.



Coláiste Mhuire Co-Ed Awards Night



BEST LEAVING CERTIFICATE AWARD

Well done to Gavin Dunne who is pictured with Principal Mr. Denis Quinn at the awards night at Coláiste Mhuire Co-Ed where he received the best student trophy for his outstanding results in 2016. Gavin is presently studying Architecture at The University of Limerick. Gavin was also an All-Ireland winning member of the 2016 Tipperary minor hurling team. We wish him every success in the future.



Congratulations to Jack Dwan, Eoin Craddock, Luke Galvin and David Manning on receiving their respective sports awards in senior hurling, junior football, junior hurling & soccer, and senior football for their outstanding achievements this year. Well done!

C-SAW's Joe Leahy raised Clonmel School's Amber Flag in support of TY students 'Positive Mental Health Week' ceremony

Thanks to Joe Leahy from C-SAW who came in yesterday to raise the school's Amber Flag and to support the school's Transition Year students who organised a Candle of Hope ceremony for the school in aid of South Tipperary Positive Mental Health Week.



Coláiste Phobal Ros Cré - Cairde

In Coláiste Phobal Ros Cré every effort is made to ensure that first year students settle into their they school. CAIRDE is a group of sixth year students who volunteer to look out and monitor first year students throughout the year. Each year the response from the sixth year students to join CAIRDE increases. Apart from making friends and keeping an eye on their designated class groups, the CAIRDE arrange special events to help the first years integrate – e.g. céilí, soccer leagues and CAIRDE afternoons.

On Friday the 8th of September, CAIRDE with the help of Ms Connolly Hogan, Father Lorcan, Ms Hassett and Mr Haugh organised a workshop with first year students. During the workshop first year students were given an opportunity to voice any concerns or issues they might have since starting secondary school.

The members of CAIRDE 2017/2018 are

Joe Ahern, Jack Bourke, Leah Brooks, Orlaith Cleary, Erica Deane, Mark Fanning, Cián Fletcher, Joseph Fogarty, Éimear Gleeson, Oonagh Gleeson, Roisín Guidera, Bradley Hartnett, Ciara Hogan, David Jones, Chloe Landy, Theresa Larkin, Patrick Lee, Aoife Maher, Emily Maher, Neil Maher, Rachel O'Brien, Josie Poyner, Debbie Siu, Roddy Teehan, Jade Touhey Moloney and Aoife Tynan.



CAIRDE 2017/2018 with Mr Flynn and Mr O'Connor

Thurles Leaving Cert geography students head for the Burren

Our Leaving Cert Geography class ventured off to The Burren in Co. Clare to carry out a Geographical Investigation of Karst features. Despite come inclement weather, spirits weren't dampened as our young geographers thoroughly enjoyed the experience that was capped off with a well earned trip to McDonalds!



St Ailbe's School host Blitz

St Ailbe's school was the venue for this year's ETB boys basketball blitz on Tuesday the 10th of October. The event was very well supported, with teams from St Ailbe's school, Newport College, Coláiste Chluain Meala, Coláiste Phobal Ros Cré and a further two teams from Coláiste Dún Iascaigh. The standard of basketball was excellent throughout the competition. Both of the Coláiste Dún Iascaigh teams played brilliantly to reach the final taking the gold and silver medals. Coláiste Chluain Meala were victorious in the bronze medal match, defeating Newport in another hard fought contest.



Thurles reach Munster Final

COLÁISTE MHUIRE CO-ED THURLES reach Munster Football Final: Well done to our U15 Gaelic Football team on reaching the Munster football final where they will play the North Mon from Cork city. Pictured in the photograph are the panel that enjoyed victories over Comeragh College, Killorglin College and Pobalscoil San Nioclás to reach this stage. Maith sibh!

TIPPERARY ETB CAPITAL PROJECT NEWS

BORRISOKANE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Construction of Dressing Rooms /Sports Wall Borrisokane CC funded by Parents Association & School; Consultant has been appointed, planning application is being prepared and it is expected works can be completed during summer 2018.

COLÁISTE DUN IASCAIGH, CAHIR

Carpark Extension; A contract has been awarded to the contractor with the lowest priced tender in November. The contractor is on site and work will be completed in early December.

ST AILBES, TIPPERARY TOWN

Roof Works; A tender has recently been published on eTenders for 'Consultancy Services for Small Works'. Plan is to have the design team appointed and work is expected to be completed in summer 2018.

CTI, RAHEEN ROAD, CLONMEL

Refurbishment of Toilets; A contract to be awarded to contractor with work expected to be completed during Christmas break.

NEWPORT COLLEGE

Works to sewers & water mains; Consultant has been appointed, leak testing will be completed during Christmas school holidays and it is planned that works will be completed during summer 2018.

NENAGH COLLEGE

Toilet refurbishment Work; Consultant has been appointed, leak testing will be completed during Christmas school holidays and it is expected the works will be completed during summer 2018.

COLÁISTE PHOBAL, ROSCREA

Roof Works; Consultants have been appointed. A Tender for this work is currently being prepared.

SCOIL RUAIN, KILLENAULE

ASD Unit; Consultants are working with the department of Education to finalise a design for the extension to accommodate the 2-classroom ASD Unit. Temporary prefabricated classrooms are approved with the Department. A tender process has been completed the prefabricated classrooms are expected to be on site early in 2018

MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS

Applications for a number of major refurbishment/ accommodation projects have been submitted and we are following up on these with the Department:

Coláiste Phobal, Roscrea: refurbishment project added to the Major Project list 2019-2021.

Nenagh College: Additional accommodation application submitted in 2016. Application to be progressed.

Coláiste Mhuire, Thurles: School has approval for a 2-classroom ASD Unit. Major refurbishment application to be addressed with Department of Education and Skills.

Newport College: An application for temporary accommodation has been submitted to the Department of Education and Skills as a temporary measure. An application for a permanent extension has also been submitted the Department.

FURTHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING

The tendering process has begun for the goods and services for the Archerstown Training Centre.

RECRUITMENT

Tipperary ETB would like to extend a warm welcome to all our newest staff members across our Schools/ Centres/ Training Services and Administrative offices. We wish you all the success in your new roles.

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