

# CDI NEWS

## WELCOME !

**Dear Parents, Guardians, Staff, and Students,**

**As we approach the end of another academic year it is with pleasure that we present the final edition of our school newsletter and many thanks to Ms. Lonergan and her TY team.**

**First and foremost, I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all parents and guardians for your unwavering support throughout the year. Your dedication to your child's education, involvement in school activities, and active participation in parent-teacher meetings have made a significant impact on the success and growth of our students. Your partnership has been invaluable and has truly made a difference in our school community. We would also like to extend our deepest gratitude to our remarkable staff. Day in and day out, they have demonstrated unwavering dedication, passion, and resilience. Their tireless efforts, both in and outside the classroom, have nurtured our students, helping them reach new heights academically and personally. Their commitment to providing a nurturing and stimulating environment is truly commendable.**

**As the state examinations approach, we want to wish our students the best of luck. We have witnessed their hard work, determination, and perseverance throughout the year, and we have every confidence in their abilities to excel.**

**Finally, as the school year draws to a close, I want to wish everyone a joyful and rejuvenating school break.**

**Once again, thank you to our parents, dedicated staff, and hardworking students. Together, we have created an enriching and supportive educational community. We look forward to continuing this journey of learning, growth, and success in the upcoming year.**

**“Learning together to achieve and succeed”**

**Peter Creedon  
Principal**



# Athletics

CDI students at the county schools track & field in Templemore taking home 3 golds 3 silvers and 3 bronzes in the individual events

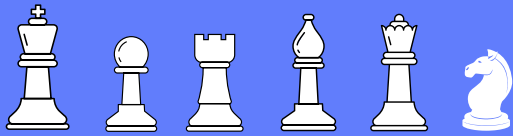


Well done to our athletes who took part in the East Munster competition in Waterford. The team were lucky enough to come home with four bronzes, a silver and a gold





# Chess



CDI visited High School,  
Clonmel for a very enjoyable  
and competitive Chess  
Challenge on 24/4/23



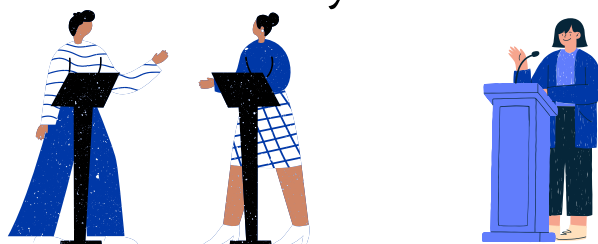


# Debating Society

## "The Last Word"



The debating team held The Last Word competition on the motion  
"This House believes the development of AI should be halted until its potential risk and hazards can be fully assessed."





# Soccer



Congratulations to the under 14 soccer team who reached the FDC Munster Final. ⚽⚽ They defeated 9 other schools on the day in Cahir Park AFC conceding only one goal in the process. Well done to all players. ○ ○



Senior soccer had a 3-1 victory versus Rockwell College in the Tipperary Perpetual Richard Wood Cup. This was a last competitive game for many of our sixth years as Colaiste students and was a great way for them to sign off.

Senior soccer girls who drew 1-1 with Borrisokane





# Soccer



Under 16 soccer side who reached the Munster semi final. A bicycle kick from Leigh Murphy and sensational long range effort from Lorcan Butler brought us to the lottery of a penalty shootout. Captain Daniels Lakis would prove crucial, saving 3 penalties and scoring 1 to lead his side to victory. Well done to these boys on reaching a Munster Semi Final in consecutive years.



Junior girls soccer team enjoyed a competitive game drawing with At. Ailbes 3-3.





# Soccer



Well done to the senior girls soccer who beat Borrisokane in a very exciting county league final during the week. Best of luck to Caoimhe, Ava and Rebecca who played their last game for the school.

U16 side defeating St Paul's Waterford in the FDC Munster Cup Semi Final. Missing some key men, huge effort was required and the boys stood up to the challenge. Rowan Barrett stood out on the day and hit a fitting winner.



Hard luck to the under 14 soccer side who lost out in FDC Munster final on penalties to Abbey CC, Waterford. The game finished 1-1 at full time, goal from Conor Collins.







# Teachers V Students Soccer

Another great win for staff in the annual Staff V Students soccer match. Game ended 1-0 with Mr. Condon getting the winner!





# Hurling



## **U15 Hurling 2022/2023 roundup:**

**There was a panel of 60 players approximately between 1st/2nd and 3rd years. Good numbers augers well for the next number of years.**

**Tipp U15 B**

**Blitz on November 8th-won two- lost one**

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**Hennessy Cup Final V Cashel CS on November 22nd**

**A game with plenty of goals. We lost by 4. It was our first time playing CCS in a competitive match.**

## **Munster U15 C**

**We had wins over the following teams.**

**Blarney**

**Kilmacthomas**

**Mallow**

**Reaching the Munster semi final-lost to Coach ford College by a point after extra time.**

**Very enjoyable year with increased numbers out training and going to matches.**

**Captain Jack McGonigle lead by example all year.**

**Thanks to Mr. Butler and Mr. Dwan for their hard work and dedication all year.**





# Ladies Gaelic Football

Junior ladies footballers enjoyed a blitz in Rockwell College

Great to have three teams with 45 girls from the school taking part!



U14.5 girls football who won the county A championship.





# Camogie



Senior Camogie panel enjoying the Tipp Colleges senior County blitz in Borrisileigh

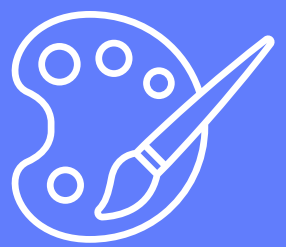


First year hockey girls enjoyed a team building day. They visited Splash World and went roller skating in Activate Waterford.

# Hockey



# ART



Canadian story board artist Andrew Dorland gave a presentation on his career as a professional artist working in tv and film production amongst other commercial art opportunities he has had to date. Andrew discussed with the students his journey into the art world, the ways to become a professional artist and other career building tips in a talk aimed at those interested in working in the creative sector.

Andrew works as a freelance

Artist and his catalogue of clients include Disney, game board design, comic book work and much more.

[www.andrewdorland.com](http://www.andrewdorland.com)



# French



L'année Scolaire 2022/2023: Français

L'année scolaire a été marquée par plusieurs événements importants pour nos étudiants de français langue étrangère (FLE) ici à Coláiste Dún Iascaigh.

Les élèves ont participé à diverses activités y compris des concours de poster, le déjeuner français où on a découvert des escargots, le pétanque, les jeux de rôle, l'art, la musique, des débats et même un tournoi de BINGO.

C'était notre grand plaisir d'accueillir Alix en échange scolaire pour nous expliquer la vie en France et nous encourager dans nos études.

Dans l'ensemble, l'année scolaire a été une expérience enrichissante pour les élèves, qui ont pu développer leurs compétences linguistiques, découvrir une nouvelle culture et établir des liens avec des élèves d'autres pays.





# TY updates



Transition Years enjoying their retreat in Monroe, Clonmel.



Transition Years enjoyed their last hike of the year. Over 20KMs along the Knockmealdown mountains taking in Bay Lough and Mount Mellary



Transition Years enjoyed a day out at Basecamp Adventure Park where they did paintballing and archery.





# TY updates



TY students undertaking their Irish Board Musical Theatre exam today at the Cahir campus. Congratulations to all on achieving a distinction.

Transition Year Gaisce trip to Birr Adventure Centre. Students enjoyed some kayaking, swimming and hiking and camped out overnight in the lovely fresh air.



Transition Years finished up their An Choill Bheag programme with the last of their visits to the Inch Field where they planted plenty of Native Irish trees.





# TY updates

Transition Year JP2 Students held a prayer spaces day in our local Church St. Mary's.

The students had 3 workshops to plan and prepare their space





# Achievements

Well done to @ClonmelRFC, Under 14 Pan Munster Cup Champions. The boys played in Thomond park against UL Bohs and were also successful in East Munster Cup and East Munster league. Well done to all, especially students from the Coláiste involved.



Congratulations to Coláiste Dun Iascaigh girls on the Tipperary Ladies Football team who won the Munster U14 Final, All Ireland semi final and progress to play Derry in the final. Well done girls and best of luck in the All Ireland Final!



Tipperary minor football teammates Shane, Ronan



Congratulations to 1st years Liam Kelly and Conor Hurley, members of Moyle Rovers club who beat Commercial's in the south u15A final.





# Achievements



Congratulation to CDI students, members of Rockwell Rovers club who won the West U15A final.

Rockwell Rovers		
1	Luke O'Dwyer	
2	Alex McNamara	3
4	Tadhg Loneragan	John Fitzgerald
5	Ronan O'Carroll	6
7	Jack McGonigle	Conor Hally
8	Louis O'Donoghue	9
10	Cameron Fitzpatrick	Shane Cummins
11	Adam Collins	12
13	Olan O'Gorman	Kieran Moloney
14	Will Burke	15
Subs: 17. Rowan Barrett 18. Ryan O'Grady 19. Darragh Browne 20. James McConnon 21. Charlie Pollard 22. Sean Mahaffy 23. James Julian 24. Matthew McGrath 25. Seamus Heman		



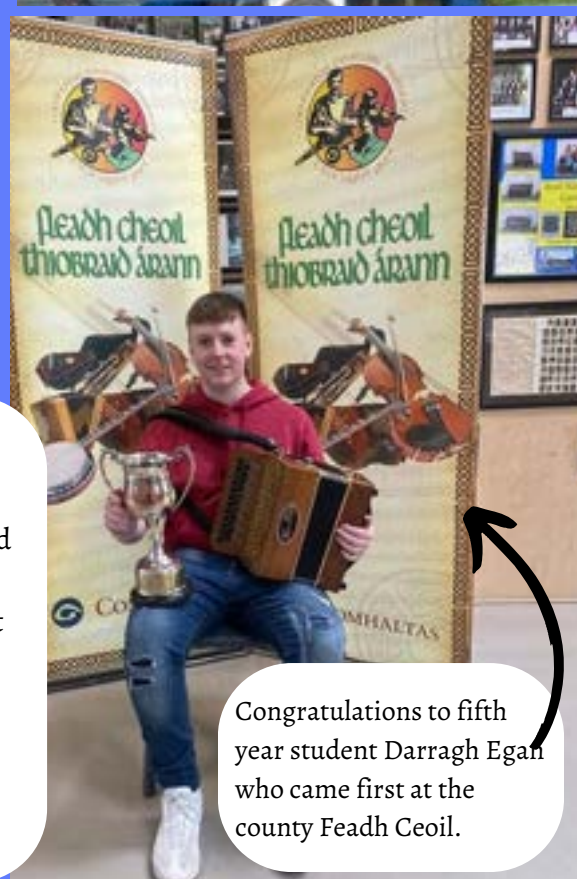
AIB Entrepreneur Award. The presentation of the AIB Entrepreneurial Award 2023 was made by representatives of AIB in the Coláiste on 21/04/2023. Congrats to "Ard Foireann"



Congrats to CDI student Sean Morrissey who won gold in junior male category. Inaugural IFAF field championship 2023



Congratulations to Rian O' Keffe on being awarded 1st place at National Student Enterprise Final 'My Entrepreneurial Journey' entry.



Congratulations to fifth year student Darragh Egan who came first at the county Feadh Ceoil.



# Achievements



Congratulations to CDI students Padraig, David, Leigh and Patrick who won the under 16 SFAI Munster Final in @cahirpark\_astro defeating the Midlands in the final on penalties. Shout out to David on saving the winning penalty 🏆



AIB Entrepreneur Award. The presentation of the AIB Entrepreneurial Award 2023 was made by representatives of AIB. Congrats to "Ard Foireann"

Congratulations to students Jennifer, Mia, Jessie and Anna on their Scor All-Ireland win. Maith thú, cailíní





# Achievements

Busy weekend for first year student Tommy O'Dwyer, who after arriving back from the first year trip to Manchester headed straight for Rosegreen Raceway and picked himself up a trophy.



Congratulations to Katie O'Connor (Joint Captain) and team/management of the Tipperary U17s who beat Cork in the Munster development final.





# Project Work

Scifest 2023. Held in TUS Thurles.  
2nd year students displayed their  
work on the effects different music  
has on the heart rate. Well done girls



## County Final Student Enterprise 2023



### 3rd Place in Intermediate Category



Anthony Fitzgerald, Head of Enterprise, James Murphy, Danny O' Dwyer & Councillor Noel Connan.



Student  
Enterprise  
PROGRAMME





# Awards Night

Academic Achievement Awards Speech – 19 May 2023

Dr Maurice J. Casey



I firstly want to thank Mr Creedon and all the staff here at the Colaiste for giving me the honour of speaking to you all this evening. I am delighted to mark another year of achievement for you, your families, and this school. So congratulations to all of you; students, parents, family and staff. As Mr Creedon mentioned, my name is Maurice Casey and I grew up here in Cahir and attended this school from 2005 to 2011. I have so many positive memories from my time here. I also remember being in your position: sitting in a chair in this room worrying if the speech was going to be dull and long and when I could finally go back home and do what I really wanted to do, which was play the Legend of Zelda. So, I will try to keep my comments relatively brief and hopefully, not too boring. What I want to speak to you about is the importance of curiosity and the role that curiosity has played in my education and career. When I was at your stage, attending this school, I had no idea what the real difference was between an undergraduate degree, a Masters degree and a PhD or how one went about getting one. Universities like Oxford, Cambridge and Trinity seemed to me like intimidating places reserved only for Einstein-level geniuses. Yes, I was clever, but I often doubted if I was that clever. I learned how to study, but I was also interested in hanging out with friends, pursuing a typically tumultuous teenage love life and playing lots and lots of video games. I thought I would need to sacrifice so much to get where I am today. Some people of my parent's generation also hinted at the idea that people from this school would not necessarily reach the best universities in the world. To get there, so they believed, you would need a so-called "elite" education.

But none of that, I learned, was actually true. I learned that I could reach the best universities in the world without sacrificing my friends or my hobbies. Quite the opposite: without my friends, a wide range of interests and this school, I may never have achieved all that much. What I sometimes believed was just a hobby, reading history books, was in fact the route to my career. When I got to universities like Trinity and Oxford, I realised that what mattered more than anything was simply that I had potential and I was committed to putting in the work needed to fulfil it. What mattered was that I had, by the time I reached the leaving cert exams, developed an all-consuming curiosity about the world around me. I now realise that I owe so much of my curiosity to the fact that I attended Colaiste Dun Iasciagh. As I began studying the people of the past who fought for equality, it mattered enormously that I had some idea of what real equality might look like. I learned that real equality looked something like this place right here; a place where financial circumstances are no barrier to entry or opportunity, publicly funded, open to all. And after all of that, I ended up with this strange job title: I am a professional historian. I am a historian, first and foremost, of radical politics in early 20th century Europe, especially Ireland and eastern Europe.

That all sounds very grand but it doesn't really answer the question, once posed to me piercingly by my sister: but what do you actually do? And a related question your parents might be asking themselves: what the hell is taxpayer money being spent on this guy doing? Well, in brief, I wake up every morning curious about something and I get paid to feed my curiosity. For me, it's the best job in the world. Sometimes that involves meeting the descendants of figures from history and rifling through their attics for old documents. Other times it involves travelling across the world to enter into archives and trawl through things like old love letters, secret police surveillance reports and clandestine plots.

And I love this work - I love it because when I reflect on a younger me, who sat in this hall taking my Junior and Leaving Cert exams, I always doubted, and the world often made me doubt, that I could take my passion and turn it into a career. As it turns out, I could do that. And what I want to tell you that you can do that you too. Your academic achievements that are being recognised tonight are proof of that fact. You can set out on a journey that sees you turning your passion into a rich and varied career, and you can think of these years in the Colaiste as an important part of that journey.

Right here, this school, gives you all the raw material to fulfil your potential. Of course, your generation has different opportunities and different challenges than my own or that of your parents. When I think back to my time in school, I think of how fortunate I was that mobile phones were not the all-encompassing surveillance devices that they are today and I did not need to negotiate many of the stresses of social media that I know your generation faces.

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I am convinced that the generations younger than me, including all of you students, sacrificed more in the pandemic than any other generation – sacrifices made for the greater good and safety of our society. For those sacrifices, you deserve so much more than a round of applause: my generation and your parents' generation should do everything in our power to ensure you have a bright and beautiful future. I also know that, when I was here more than a decade ago, secondary school was a more difficult place for my lesbian, gay, bisexual and trans friends than it is today. I hope you have felt this increased compassion in our country impacting your day to day lives. But I know, of course, there is still a way to go. Yet what was remarkable about the Colaiste even back in my day is something that I'm sure is even more notable now: the school's diversity, particularly when it came to children from immigrant backgrounds. I am always proud to tell people that I went to a secondary school where the students in my class of 30-odd people included students from everywhere, from Ballyporeen to Bucharest. When I was a student here, I had a fascinatingly eccentric circle of friends. We are all still close. Each of us bounced off each other and fed into each other's interests. We created one another's personalities. Yes, we were the nerds. But because we were proud of that fact, most other students respected our right to be weird. When I was here, when you arrived late, you needed to sign your name in the front office.

One of my friends, Niall, took a special pleasure in signing in late using the names of various poets on the English Leaving Certificate syllabus. Everyone who was at this school at that time will remember the incredible morning when the intercom requested that Patrick Kavanagh make his way to the front office to explain his frequent lateness. Niall didn't budge, because he was not Patrick Kavanagh, but when the intercom crackled again, a frustrated voice declared 'Would Patrick Kavanagh, AKA Niall McGuire please make his way to the office'. I was also blessed with brilliant teachers, some of whom I see here today, including Mr Brennan on camera down at the back and Mr O'Brien with his own camera up front. I particularly want to give a shout out to Ms Byron, who taught me history and helped set me on the path to my career today, and Mr McCarthy, now a principal in Clonmel, who introduced myself and my friends to entirely new ways of seeing literature and music.



And I learned so much after in school study, as I hid the novels and history books that interested me most within the dull school textbooks that I was supposed to be reading. It may not seem like the case to you right now, but to study here and more broadly to grow up in this part of the world at this moment in Ireland's history is, in a way, to have won a kind of universal lottery. You have unprecedented opportunities to follow your own path. Of course, what looks like success for you will be different to what success looks like to your friends. My route through universities is not for everyone, but if you would like to follow in my footsteps, I'll give you advice that can be summed up in a few words: you have to read. – read, read, read and read. If there is one thing that I did differently than many other people in the school when I was here, one activity that helped more than anything in my academic career, it's that I read. I read a lot and I read constantly. Sci fi, history books, novels, whatever – read widely because that is how you expand your curiosity. And learn another language, particularly if you, like me, entered this school only with the ability to speak English. Learning a language will transform your world. You don't need to sacrifice friends, passions or happiness to reach the best universities in the world, but you do need to practise paying attention, which is something of a lost art in the social media age. One of the best tools you can use to recover that skill and enhance it is through reading. I am sure that all of you will spend much of secondary school thinking about where you are going to end up, worried if you have the potential to get there. I want to reassure you that the very fact that you are in this room tonight means that you do have that potential. But, of course, remember that realising your potential can be a lot of hard work. So long as this school exists and places like it, places where opportunities are open to all, and so long as young people like yourselves continue to flow through it, to discover within these rooms your passions and interests and to do so together, we, all of us, have a reason to be hopeful. On that note, I simply want to thank you for listening to me and congratulate you all once more on your successes. Thank you.

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# Awards Night





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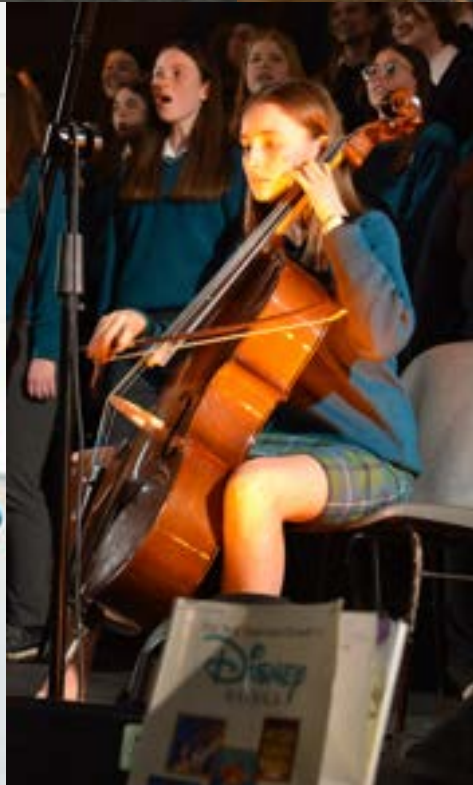


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# School Tours

First year history classes 1E and 1F visited the beautiful Cahir Castle recently.



Junior Cycle History students enjoyed a trip to Waterford Treasures museum.



First Years enjoyed their trip to Manchester, after a very early start leaving the school at 4:30am!

They visited the Manchester Imperial War Museum and had a stroll around the city centre.





# School Tours



Transition Years enjoyed their time exploring  
Berlin this week





# Talks and CPD



Claire Kennedy and Denis O Shea of Buttimer Engineering talking about apprenticeships available in their company this year to CDI Engineering Students.



CDI staff members at today's CPD from Kinia in ICT.

Fifth Year students visit Horizon Offsite Etek in Cahir. The tour guide was past pupil Deivids Mates who graduated from CDI on 2018. Darragh Ryan Design manager gave a talk on the company and the design and manufacture of buildings from low gauge steel.





# 25 Years of Coláiste Dun Iascaigh

Construction of Coláiste 1996



Michael Martin Minister for Education Opens School



## Staff Members at Official Opening



Mrs. Barry and Choir Sing at official Opening  
1997





# Creative Writing



I hate people

Always have and always will. Probably of my own doing, honestly.

This may be your first time reading this, maybe your thousandth. But you know me. I am in all your favourite stories. Joker to Batman. Voldemort to Harry Potter. I am here for you to loathe, and for that reason I loathe you. However, instead of the friendly, happy-go-lucky hero telling you the story, I am here to tell you how it REALLY is. Apologies if I get snappy, I'm not used to being listened to.

Introducing your generic hero. You all know him. Generous. Heroic. Always a big grin on his face... that sickening, grotesque, plague-coated smile. Proper comic book style. Honestly, I find it cute. You all bend over backwards for your perfect heroine yet despise public officials? They're all the same, except the latter doesn't run around with their mother's favourite towel wrapped around their neck and their underpants on backwards.

Tell me, what difference is there? They're both just public facades... actors, essentially, and just as overpaid. Even more so, in HIS case. If I knew saving kittens from burning buildings would earn you the nicest flat the city can offer, I would have started years ago.

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Apology number one.

I don't think straight. I sometimes stray away from the topic at hand. It tends to run away from me often.

I also have a facade of my own, in all honesty. At least my therapist said so. So I shouldn't complain. Except I don't do it for the money. I don't get anything from it apart from public despise and humility. It can really start to drain a man.

I knew from the start that me and my weak mindset wouldn't be able to handle the constant ridicule of the everyday person, so I split my identities. I think that may have messed me up more than the hatred did in the beginning, but I knew that I would need it later in life. Three long, draining years later, I now know that was the right idea.

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Apology number two. I doubt you want to hear my sob story, so back to him.

There is no tangible way to describe him.

He's a dark, light, blond-haired brunette with greenish, blueish, brownish eyes. I guess I've never really been close enough to see without him trying to blast my face off with whatever he calls those "powers" of his.

Oh yes, and emotional. I must have done something to personally upset him. I haven't seen a young adult with such a melodramatic attitude since those time wastes people call "sorority parties".

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Apology number three.

I've been narrating my own pitiful existence over a slightly soggy bruschetta the last fifteen minutes while trying to watch the news and now I don't know if the measly robbery I aided in made highlights.

I truly do hate people. Including myself.





# Creative Writing



I Think There's A Monster Under The Bed?

I walked home

My feet blistered in calloused splinters borne of tarmac

Dress shuffling behind me like a timid daughter of my own

And clutching my bag to my chest like a soldier his rifle

Heavier than a cannonball it is, but I trudge on for however long my burning arms

Will allow the thought.

In my arms it walks with me as I escape to work

And no-one sees a thing

All along the trip I see little anonymous forms

Scurrying about in dawn's dew-soaked underbrush

Rodent-looking wyes pierce my skin and stare at me.

I quicken my pace.

Unsafe?

The steps of work my sanctuary, with brick masonry and marble towering past the sky above

I shake the miasma of thought from my head

And shuffle forward, letting my hand on my bag loosen

And the other grabs the handle.

I enter through the door

Appearing underneath a bed where I'll wait forevermore



# Creative Writing



And I stand in her pool of blood wondering what love even is, and how he can love her too. Swearing at myself for trusting it. Love! With its sweet words and manipulating acts. You don't know how far in you've jumped until you're drowning. Praying dear god gives you a whiff of air, with every gasp your lungs scream a little louder.

A light breeze brushed its fingers on my arm and awoke the goosebumps that were now crawling under my skin. And suddenly I'm aware of how bad the weather has gotten over the last few hours and I stroll over to shut the window.

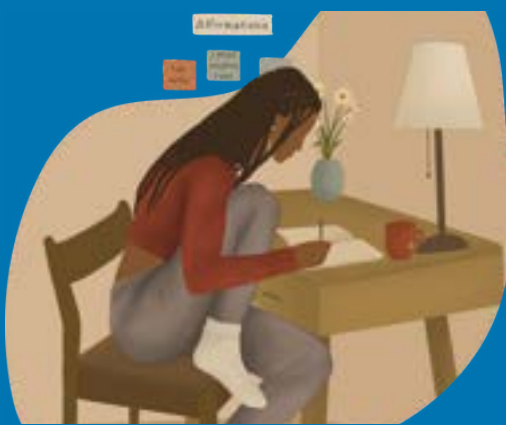
The rain was slapping every inch of land and slowly disintegrating the footpaths, creating puddles that will soon dry to become clouds and it will rain again. It's a repeating cycle, it's like people we are either chasing or being chased. We want to be loved. We can't escape it.

I look down at her and almost feel calm for a moment, motionless like the body in front of me, unable to.. "Why did he chose you!?" I scream, filling my ears with rage again and cutting off all other emotion.

The body on the floor whimpers but the wind outside howls louder and slams leaves at the tinted windows.

"He loves you" she whispers "he's told me so much!" but I can't comprehend what's being said. "He won't love you if you're gone, but while you're breathing the same air as him he will always want you" I mumble

- Anonymous





# 5th Year Doneraile Walk

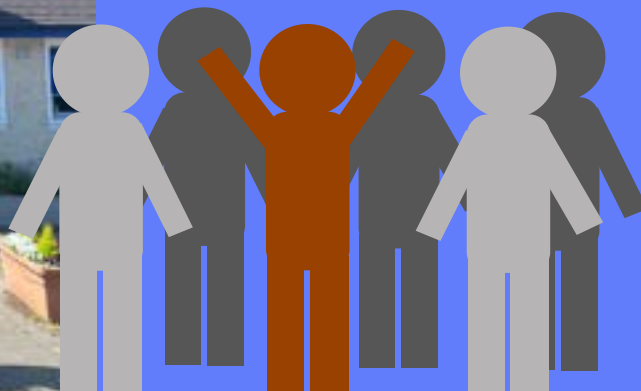




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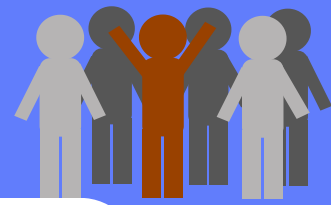


5th EAL  
enjoying hot  
chocolates and  
saying goodbye  
to exchange  
student Marie.  
Tschüss!





# Leading Learners



Teams games tournament with 1st years in learning zone time.



We were actively involved in supporting teaching and learning in the school. We aimed to bring students together to achieve and succeed in their learning and to bring out the best in everyone.

We supported Ms. Fennessy and Ms O' Mahoney with the First Years in the Learning Zone. This was valuable experience where we learned to teach classes, coach small groups and guide students to develop study strategies and exam techniques.

Every Monday after school we helped facilitate our First Years after school club "Junior Dun."

This initiative has been a great addition for incoming first years. We have formed positive relationships with them and hopefully helped with their transition into secondary school education. Some of us are also involved in cooking, crafts, and interactive games such as a connect 4 tournament and science experiments with Ms. Mahoney or sports coaching with Mr. Byrne. We also work with them to complete their homework and assist them to prepare revision notes. Over the year we organised fun events in the school like the teams' games tournament, spelling bee and revision quizzes at the end of their "Learning to Learn" module. We wanted to ensure the first Years had fun while learning, but also help them make friendships and connections with each other.

# Leading Learners

Last term we decided we wanted to do something to support other students learning in the school. We hope to set up a learning hub. We organised a table quiz to raise money for resources. It was a real community event supported by all the local businesses and attended by students' staff and parents. The night was an immense success. It was a very enjoyable night for us all as it was our first community event. We raised over 2400 Euro for our initiative.

We were also trained as LIFT Leaders, trained to facilitate Leadership round Tables. Some of the values include Listening, Positive Attitude, Respect and Resilience. We all feel very proud to be student Leaders and represent the Student Voice in Teaching and Learning in our school. We have all developed our communication, organisational and presentation skills. We feel confident now to go out there and be future leaders. A big thanks to Ms. Fennessy and Ms O' Mahoney for giving us the opportunity and trusting and believing in us. This was an opportunity that helped build our confidence and we really loved and value our experience as Leading Learners in the Coláiste. Thank You.



**Leading Learners 2022/2023**



**Next Years  
Leading Learners  
(2023/2024)**





# Student Council



700 Euro raised in the Easter raffle,  
thanks to all who contributed.



The student council held weekly meetings discussing a school motto, the need for more waste bins and aiding the cleaning of the school, the council delivered a student friendly support leaflet for all CDI students. Self-defence classes were sourced and sponsored by the council; they were held over a four week period for senior female students.

There was a Ukraine humanitarian collection in school and the local community. 93 boxes of aid were donated. The student's council also held a First year revision quiz.

A very busy year and term, well done to all involved and special thanks to Ms. Morrissey for guiding the council.

# An Cuan



Students Joseph O Sullivan and Sarah Kenny presenting their research.

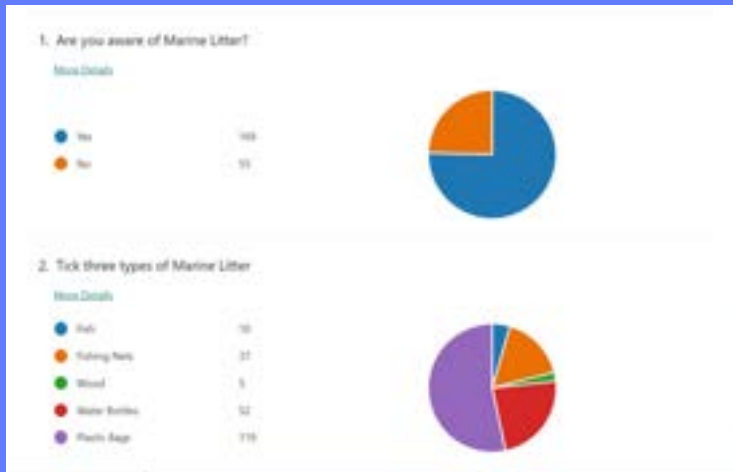
Joseph and Sarah recently acted as co-researchers for Nicola Mannion who is a lecturer in Mary Immaculate College Limerick.

Congratulations to Sarah Kenney who graduated from QQI 6th year. Best wishes for the future!





# Green Schools



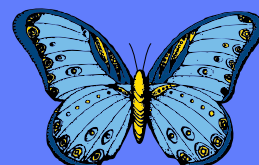
Each student was asked to complete five questions on Forms to establish the understanding students have of our Marine environment.

The Green Schools committee will use these results to continue to develop the CDI Action Plan for the academic year 23/24. Our overall aim will be to do one thing that builds good behaviours that positively influence our Ocean and Marine life for today and into the future.

5. What three ways does climate change affect the Marine environment?



As part of their ecology studies, 5th year Biology students gained hands-on experience measuring environmental factors, identifying plant and animal species and understanding the effects humans have on our ecosystem.





# Sustainability

**Transition Years planting trees. A lovely pocket forest now planted in the school grounds.**





# Sixth Year Graduation 2023





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# Sixth Year Breakfast





# Transition Year Awards 2023

TY Student of the Year 2023 -  
Odhran Williams  
Le Cheile Community Award -  
Gold Award  
TY Gold Medal Winners





# Editors and Photographers

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