



St Fintan's CBS Newsletter



Welcome to the final edition of our school newsletter for 2010/2011. Our Leaving and Junior Cert students have finished class work and are studying at home for their forthcoming exams. We wish them well for the weeks ahead.

THOUGHT FOR OUR EXAM STUDENTS

The pen is in your hands, the rest is still unwritten!!!

TRIP TO DELPHI

Our first year students recently enjoyed a fun-filled trip to Delphi Adventure Centre Co. Galway. Together with Mr. Carrig and Mr. Carr students participated in numerous activities such as kayaking, abseiling, zip line, bog walking, gorge walking, pier jumping and archery. A truly memorable experience was had by all.

RE NEWS

First Years celebrated the end of their first academic year in St Fintan's with individual class masses. Many students participated in the masses reciting prayers of the faithful and reflections.

A special examinations mass was celebrated for Third Years on Thursday the 18th. Fr Ryan prayed for all who are taking state exams this Summer. He also included the special intentions of some of the students during the Mass.

6th Years celebrated their Graduation Mass in Ballykisteon Hotel on the 25th May. Together with their teachers they worked very hard to make this special day a great success. A big thank you to Miss Slater who gave up a lot of her free time to help prepare the songs for the night.

SCHOOL JACKETS

School jackets can still be ordered for September. Orders and measurements will be taken on Thursday, 2nd June from 3-5pm. Jackets cost €45 each and a deposit of €20 to be paid Mairéad by Thursday.

SOCCER

For the first time in a number of years St. Fintans C.B.S entered two soccer teams into the North Munster Soccer League. The under 14 team had a great season with victories over Shannon Comp and Crescent. As a result they went through to the semi finals. They beat Croom on the day after extra time and penalties. In the final they came up against an excellent St. Clements side which were better on the day. Well done to the under 14 team for doing so well!

The under 16 team had an extremely successful year. They were crowned North Munster Champions. The first ever soccer trophy to be won in St. Fintan's C.B.S. They topped their group without losing a game or conceding a single goal. In the semi final they registered a comprehensive 4-0 win over St. Nessans. Croom were their opponents in the final. Croom had also come through the group stages without a loss. Croom started the match much better than Doon, having a two goal advantage at half time. A different Doon team came out in the second half. They showed excellent skill and determination to come back and win the match 3-2 with goals from Darragh McKenna and their captain Johnny Barrett. Congratulations to the under 16's on making history in St. Fintans C.B.S.



HURLING NEWS

St Fintans CBS Doon 2-8
Castletroy College 1-4

In a hard fought game played in Ballybricken, underdogs St Fintans ran out seven point winners against a fancied

Castletroy team that had claimed the scalps of Ard Scoil Ris and Charleville CBS. St Fintans qualified for the final after good wins over John the Baptist College Hospital and Hazelwood College Dromcollogher. This game played in wet and windy conditions saw a plucky Doon outfit outthrust Castletroy. The halftime score read 2-3 to 1-3 after 2 very good goals by Kevin Stapleton and Tom Fox. Good points were also scored by Dean and Adam Coleman. The 2nd half saw the impressive Doon defence hold Castletroy to only one point. The final score line read Doon CBS 2-8 Castletroy College 1-4. While this was an excellent all round Doon team performance, players to stand out included Jack Hayes, Shane O'Connell, Tom Fox, Richie English and man of the match, captain Sean Ryan Wall.



Team and Scorers

Darragh Stapleton - Doon
Shane O'Connell - Doon
Jack Hayes - Doon
Con Berkery - Cappamore
Stephen Ryan - Doon
Sean Ryan - Cappamore
Michael Dee - Murroe Boher
Richie English - Doon
Tony Berkery - Doon
Dean Coleman - Doon (0-2)
Eamon Sheehan - Cappamore
Tom Fox - Eire Og Anacarty (1-2)
Kevin Stapleton - Cappamore (1-1)
Pat Ryan - Doon (0-2)
Adam Coleman - Cappamore (0-1)

Subs: Kevin Heuston, Pat Cummins, Andrew O'Brien, Stephen Cummins, Cian McNamara and Billy Mulcahy. Panellists- David Orr and Darragh Donovan. Mentors - Mr Hassett and Mr Daly

BUSINESS NEWS

Mr Hassett, Mrs Ryan and Mrs McEvoy recently organised a very successful Enterprise Day. This saw all first years present their Team Enterprise research projects. The standard was extremely high and the winning groups teams were as follows:

Kerry Group: Eamonn O'Donovan, Eddie Campbell

And Alan Spillane

Coca Cola Shane Stapleton, Cian Rush and James Ryan

Paddy Power Ryan Mawdsley, Harry Kinnane and Joe Lonergan

Also as part of Enterprise Day, Stephen Kinsella, Economics lecturer at U.L., gave a very insightful talk to our Senior Cycle economics students. This was very well received by all who attended.

SPORTS DAY

Without a shadow of a doubt the highlight of the last week for most students was our Sports Day, last Friday 27th May in Doon GAA field. Over 20 teams participated. A wide variety of events, ranging from Tug of War to Golf putting were enjoyed by teachers and students alike. There was keen competition between all of the teams involved. The final event of the day involved a number of 100m races between the various year groups. There were some notable performances from students such as Michael Dee 2nd year, Dean Coleman 3rd year and Jonathon Barrett 5th year. A sincere thank you to the Doon GAA club for the use of their facilities during the day and also to all of the teachers and students who helped to make the day a great success. The sports day will now become an annual event and many students are already looking forward to renewing rivalries in next years competitions. Special thanks to Mr. Carr for all his hard work in organising this enjoyable event.

TY HORSE RIDING

The TY class went horse riding twice this year in Boskill Equestrian Centre with Miss Davis, and it was a great success. On their first visit they received a class on basic skills and then on the second visit the class spent a full day trekking around the Caherconlish area. Horse riding was a new TY activity this year and was enjoyed by all. Photos can be seen on facebook at Boskill Equestrian Centre.

AWARDS CEREMONY

The 14th Annual Awards Day was held on Thursday 19th May. The prizes were presented by local businessman and past pupil (class 1994) TJ Crowe of Crowe Meats Dundrum. Mr Bourke spoke about the importance of encouraging, praising, affirming and rewarding students for their efforts throughout the school year. The coordinator of the event Mrs Joan Moore awarded nominees and overall winners of each category.

Category

Name

1 st Yr	lobhar Stokes-Rodriguez
2 nd Yr	Josh Morris
3 rd Yr	Brian O'Dea
3 rd Yr	Luke O'Dea
T Y	David Landers
LCA	John Horgan
5 th Yr	Brian McCarthy
6 th Yr	Paul McNamara
1 st Yr Business	lobhar Stokes-Rodriguez
Junior Business	Ciaran J Ryan
Senior Business	Cathal Whelan
Junior Music	Ruairi Moloney
Senior Music	Darren Ryan
1 st Yr Scientist	Kevin Ryan
Junior Scientist	James Ryan
Senior Scientist	Eamonn Sheehan
1 st Yr Art	lobhar Stokes-Rodriguez
Junior Art	Tomás Moore
Junior Technology	Conor Dee
Senior Technology	Tony Berkery
1 st Yr European Language	Liam Cummins
Junior European Language	James Ryan
Senior European Language	Eimhin O'Meara
Junior Woodwork	James Ryan
Construction Studies	Fionn Carew
Best School Attendance	Darragh Hayes, Cian Rush, Ben Leonard, Ruairi Moloney, Eoin Keating, Richard Leonard, Gillan Piveteau, Ciarán D Ryan, Colin Ryan, Brian O'Dea, Richard English, Patrick Lundon and Paul McNamara
Best Achievement Award In Junior Cert 2009	Denis Leonard
Best Achievement Award In Leaving Cert 2009	Kian Eichholz
Enterprise Award	T Y Mini Company
Torneo Sports	
1 st Year Hurler	Brian McPartland
Junior Hurler	Michael Dee
Senior Hurler	Liam Ryan (S)
1 st Year Footballer	Joe Lonergan
Junior Footballer	Shane O'Connell
Senior Footballer	Owen Roche
Junior Soccer Player	Shane O'Connell

Senior Soccer Jonathon Barrett
1st Yr Spike ball lobhar Stokes-Rodriguez
2nd Yr Spike ball Anthony Foley
Golfer Barry Murphy
Junior Athlete Gearóid Loughman
Senior Athlete Tony Berkery
Sports Personality Liam Ryan (S)

SAFE DRIVING SKILLS

In conjunction with FRS Training LTD., and organised by Ms. Treacy, students from 3rd to 6th yr recently took part in a Tractor Safety course in Newport. The Aim of the course is to create safety awareness amongst teenagers working with tractors. This training programme is designed for the use of tractor/machinery within the farm and does not include road usage. During the one day course students were made aware of the following:

- Safety Checks Before Starting
- Setting up a good driving position
- Safe driving
- Hitching tractor to other implements
- Operating trailed machinery from tractor
- Checking the Terrain
- Practical driving skills

5TH YEAR MENTORING PROGRAMME

Our 5th year Motivation Programme culminated with the highest 5th year achievers going on a trip to Dublin with Mr Carrig and Mr Carr.

They were brought to UCD where they were given a tour of the college by students. They got the opportunity to enquire about courses and life in the college. Pdraig O'Ceidigh (CEO Aer Arann) gave the students an inspiring talk about his experiences and those of his family and friends. He related all of these to the aspirations of the 5th years ahead of their Leaving Cert next year. The group then checked in at Bewley's Hotel in Ballsbridge. Here the students were given a talk by Ray from *Raising Aspirations*. This was designed to motivate them to raise their goals in their future years.

This was followed by a meal in the hotel restaurant. Some were obviously used to bigger meals at home as they still managed to get through 4-star Pizza shortly afterwards. On Saturday the group went into the city centre for some sight-seeing and shopping before hopping back on the bus to the school.