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Nóta ón bPríomhoide:

A Chairde,

Over the last two weeks our teaching staff have been engaged in School Development Planning and Junior Cycle In-service. As you will see from below, our students have been engaged in many academic, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities.

Following deliberation among the staff, it has been decided that the Mock Examinations for the current academic year will take place from 25th February – 8th March, 2019. The post-mock Parent/Guardian – Teacher meeting for 6th year students will take place on 21st March.

Le gach dea-ghuí,

S. Ó Murchú
Principal

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**An tSeachtain Seo Chugainn...
(Next Week ...)**

Monday 15 th October	13:00	TY Beckett – Visit to Courts of Justice TY Joyce Poetry Workshop with Colm Keegan
	14:00	U14 Football V Salesian’s College
Tuesday 16 th October	13.30	U16 Hurling Dublin “A” Semi-final v Ardscoil Rís (Alfie Byrne Park)
	16:15 – 18:15	TY Parent-Teacher Meeting (Core Subjects)
Wednesday 17 th October		LC English visit to Macbeth – Mill Theatre
	10:00	Poetry Ireland Workshop with Sarah Crossan
Thursday 18 th October	09:30 – 13:00	Career’s Fair in Br. Donovan Hall
	13:30	U19 Basketball All Ireland Cup – Galway U16 “B” v Oatlands (Away)
Friday 19 th October		5 th & 6 th Year Art Trip to National Gallery U19 & U16 Basketball (Oatlands College)
	13:45	U15 Soccer v Templeogue (Away)

Careers' Corner

Any senior students who are interested in applying to attend UCD after their Leaving Certificates are advised to set-up an account at www.myucd.ie in order to register for information events. Upcoming evening-events include:

UCD Business Open Evening on October 15th
UCD Science, Computer Science and BAFS Open Evening October 23rd.

Sixth Year students are asked to check www.qualifax.ie each week for a list of events which are due to take place throughout the country in relation to Universities, Apprenticeships and Colleges.

We are delighted to be in a position to invite **PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF SIXTH YEAR STUDENTS** to attend our **Future Options 2018/2019** event which will take place in the Sports' Hall on **Thursday October 18th**.

The parents/guardians of Sixth Year students are welcome to come into the Sports' Hall between **9.50 a.m. and 10.40 a.m.**

Sixth Years will also be in attendance at this time (they will be released from classes to attend).

A number of Universities, Colleges, Apprenticeship-groups and members of the Gardai and Army will be in attendance. It is hoped that students will use this opportunity to engage with these representatives to research their potential future studies or career areas.

We are inviting in the parents of **Sixth Years**, to allow them an opportunity to ask questions that can be answered by the representatives of the various groups on the day.

Parents are kindly requested to leave the Sports Hall by 10.40 a.m. to allow representatives the time needed to set-up for our other year-groups.

[Ms. Ruane]

Third year CBA 2 Business

Third year business students will be undertaking two important assessments for their Junior Cycle Business in the period Nov 12th – Dec 14th as follows:

CBA 2: Nov 12th – Dec 7th

Assessment Task: Dec 10th - Dec 14th.

Next week students will receive two documents from their Business Teacher:

Information for Parents

Guidelines for Students

There is a detachable reply section on the first form that needs to be returned to the Teacher to acknowledge that you have seen these documents.

Students should purchase a cardboard document wallet to store all work related to CBA 2.

Students should consult with parents on selecting a topic of interest that they wish to research and do a 3 minute presentation on for their CBA 2.

Parents are again reminded that medical and dental appointments should **not be arranged if at all possible** during business classes during that period.

[C. Joyce, J. Scanlon, T Mc Namara, P. McManus]

Transition Year News

FAI Coaching Course

Well done to the 33 TY students who completed their FAI Kickstart Coaching Course last week. This involved a full day of classroom and pitch based coaching with two FAI coaches. Many of these students are now going to use these new skills as part of their Gasice Community Involvement and coach in various local football club academies. This was a great opportunity for the TY students and the day was a great success.

[Mr. Conway]

Innovation in Learning and Teaching – Cross-Curricular and Team Teaching

On Wednesday 3rd October the 6th year Physics class and the 6th Year Music Class collaborated and took part in a joint lesson on Harmonics. The concept of harmonics appears on both the Music and Physics Leaving Certificate Syllabi.

Physics students study the mathematical and scientific properties of harmonics whereas music students study harmonics in the context of music performance e.g. how to play them and recognizing harmonics aurally.

The aim was to bring both classes together, in order to give the students a deeper understanding of harmonics. In order to fully understand harmonics as a musician, an understanding of the science behind harmonics is necessary. Equally, in order for the physics students to appreciate harmonics, an understanding of their musical application in performance is extremely beneficial, rather than solely working on mathematics formulas.

The lesson was a great success and will become a regular occurrence each year for the Music and Physics Departments. Many thanks to Aoife O Reilly, our Leaving Certificate Physics teacher, for welcoming the Music department into the Physics room

[Mr. Quinn]

“Our Butterflies”

Monday 3/9/18

Today our Science teacher, Ms O'Reilly, got us five caterpillars. She said in a few weeks they will turn into butterflies. We were so excited for them to become butterflies. The caterpillars are so independent; they eat the food that came with them in the container. The caterpillars were originally the size of a raisin but they grew very quickly as they ate the food - they grew to the size of a finger. They were black with yellow markings.

The caterpillars spent their time climbing to the lid of the container and spinning silk around the bottom. After three weeks, they remained at the top of the container, curled into a J shape, and created a cocoon around themselves.

Thursday 4/10/18

When we arrived into school on Tuesday of this week, four out of the five butterflies had hatched. They now had beautiful red and black wings. The type of butterfly is called a

'Painted Lady'. They looked completely different to the caterpillars that arrived to the school.

We were all very excited to have new butterflies in there to keep us company during class. We were very happy they had survived and thrived as we took care of them. We now feed them strawberries and sugar water.

At the end of class today, we released them to the World of unknown. We hope that they fly away happily and not get eaten by a dog!



[By Cillian O'Neill and Adam Tuohy (1st Year)]

U16 Hurling

Well done to the U16 hurling team on a resounding victory on Monday in the Dublin 'A' quarter final against St. Aidans of Whitehall by a scoreline of 6-23 to 1-9. The majority of the scores came from Rhys McDonnell and Davy Keogh, who contributed 4-17 points between them. However, for long periods it was the backs, and particularly the full back line who were the stars of the show. A much stiffer test awaits in the semi-final, which will be away next Tuesday to North Dublin group winners Ardscoil Ris. Match takes place at 1.30pm in Alfie Byrne Park.

Team: Brendan Creegan, Thomas Culleton, Barry McGuire, Oran Dunne, David Monahan, Rian Power, David Keane, Rhys McDonnell, Kevin Mullarkey, Josh Corcoran, Adam Dalton (Daniel Daly), Sam Doyle (Ross Mullarkey), Leon Kennedy, Davy Keogh, John Farrington (Stephen Pullan)

[Mr. Conway]

Table Tennis

The school has entered two teams in the Leinster Schools Table Tennis Cup and League Competitions. One team is at Under 13 level and one at Under 15. The draw will take place on October 18th at 7pm in Blackrock College. Mr O'Gorman will represent the school. Team lists and fixtures will go on the School Sports notice board and in the Sports Hall the following week.

[Mr. O'Gorman]

Chess

We wish the School's Chess Team every success this weekend at this year's Milfield International Schools' Competition held in Glastonbury, England.

Congratulations to Eoin Harrington who has just passed through the 1000 barrier in the national chess ratings with a score of 1034, Eoin is now the highest ranked Chess player ever in Colaiste Éanna. He is being hotly pursued by Dylan McBrien who is currently on a score of 921.

Any student wishing to enter the school's internal competition "The GW Cup" should give their names to Dave or simply turn up to chess any Friday night throughout October and register.

[Mr. Grant]

Student Council News

Please note the Student Council Members for 2018/19 are as follows

6th Year:

Manus Coughlan
Ben Bruce
David Riordan
Kelvyn Fields

5th Year:

Jack Byrne
Shane Kohlmann
Rory Duggan
Ciarán O'Reilly

TY

Davy Gannon
Gary Coughlan

3rd Year

Colm Aherne
Matthew Burke

Canteen:

Ben Bruce has been discussing various items with the Canteen Manager, Eilish Doyle. Ms Doyle has expressed her delight in how things are going. The Council are open to any viable suggestions for the canteen and all suggestions will be considered. To date Halal food is available and students should also note that there is an allergy sheet on display.

2nd Year Representatives:

The Student Council is looking for 2 representatives from 2nd Year. Council members have spoken to each class group and any student interested should contact one of the other council reps or Mr Merriman directly.

3rd Year Issues.

A very important aspect of the Council is to listen to the student voice in the school. Kelvyn Field has agreed to meet with 3rd year students to discuss issues that they have raised.

Poster Competition:

The council are planning an anti-litter poster competition. Details to follow.

Halloween Fundraiser:

We will be having our annual Halloween colours day, when 6th Year students get to dress-up and all others get to wear casual clothes. The event is a charity to raise funds for a dedicated charity. The chosen charity will be announced closer to the date.

[Mr. Merriman]

Coláiste Éanna Parents' Association

The winners of this months' Parents' Association monthly draw are:

1 st Prize	(€250):	Niamh Ring
2 nd Prize	(€100):	Anne Sheils
3 rd Prize	(€50):	Elizabeth Doran

The next meeting of the Parents' Association will take place on Tuesday, Nov 6th at 7.30pm, in Room 37/38 (ERST Building).

[Parents' Association]

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