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## Coláiste Éanna Newsletter

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### Nóta ón bPríomhoide:

A Cháirde,

I wish to express my sincere thanks to you for your understanding and support in what has been a difficult week for our school community. We will continue to keep you informed via email.

I also wish to acknowledge all the hard work and efforts of our third year students, who undertook their Junior Certificate Irish Oral Examinations during the week. Thanks also to their teachers for their support and work.

Next week the mock orals in French and Spanish will commence for our Leaving Certificate students. We wish them every success in their studies.

Congratulations to our first and second year basketball teams on their victories yesterday over Oatlands. Both teams won by in excess of 30 points. MVP of the second year game was Alex Heavey. Well done to all involved and their coach Mr. O'Sullivan.

Finally, a reminder to those concerned: The assessment morning for First Years 2019-2020 will take place next Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> February (details below).

Le gach dea-ghuí,  
S. Ó Murchú  
Principal

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

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> February	11:00-15:00 16:00 -18:00	TY Joyce visit to Criminal Courts <b>LC French Mock Orals (4pm -6pm)</b> Students should check notice boards for exact times.
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	11:00 – 13:00 19:00 - 21:00	Internet Safety Day for 1 <sup>st</sup> Year Students  Subject Seminar for 3 <sup>rd</sup> & TY students for Leaving Cert 2021  <b>LC Spanish Mock Orals (7pm – 9pm)</b> Students should check notice boards for exact times.
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	13:00 13:00 -17:00	1 <sup>st</sup> Year Basketball “B” v Coláiste Éoin  <b>LC Spanish Mock Orals (1pm – 5pm)</b> Students should check notice boards for exact times.
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	16:00 - 20:00	<b>LC French and Spanish Mock Orals (4pm – 8pm)</b> Students should check notice boards for exact times.
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> February		
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	09:30 – 11:30 12:00 – 14:00	<b>Assessments for 1<sup>st</sup> Year Sept 2019</b> Ballyroan Boys and St Colmcille’s SNS All other Primary Schools

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## Careers' Corner

Parents/Guardians of students in Third and Fourth Year who may wish to consider their subject-choices but are unsure of the implications of such choices are advised that [www.qualifax.ie](http://www.qualifax.ie) provides a very useful method of research.

Students/Parents/Guardians are advised to go onto [www.qualifax.ie](http://www.qualifax.ie) and complete the following steps:

click on '**students**'

then click '**useful tools**'

then click '**minimum subject requirements**' and select '**Leaving Certificate Requirements**'.

Select a Leaving Cert subject and continue to search for courses in third level that '**do require, may require or don't require**' that particular L.C. subject to meet matriculation and courser entry requirements

Please be advised that all information regarding subject-choices can change on an annual basis depending on decisions made by the course-providers.

Any Third or Fourth Year student who wishes to discuss their subject-options individually with the Guidance Counsellor can make an appointment to do so.

[Ms. Ruane]

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## EPIC Dublin - Transition Year Workshop



Colm Keegan a poet and author participated in a poetry workshop with transition year students in the school library on the 15<sup>th</sup> of October. Mr Keegan focused as much on

the students wellbeing and their ability to communicate as he did on writing poetry. The incredible openness with which he shared intimate life details created a sense of ease that allowed the participants to open up too. He created a rapport with the students that gave the workshop a conversational feel.

Mr Keegan encouraged individual thought and told us to try not to be “sheep”. This came through when we were asked to read out the poems we had written and it was evident everyone had written from their own point of view. It was a truly enjoyable experience sharing our personal poems with our friends and it gave us a broader view on who our friends really were.

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> of November Colm returned to a group of around fifteen students to provide a Dystopian Fiction Workshop. In this we were writing stories and talking about the importance of writing as it has been in decline due to the invention of mobile phones and technology. He spoke about how reading is so important and teenagers and kids are too busy playing video games to realise that. We were all tasked to write about the same topic but in our own unique way. The theme was ‘The Authority’. We were given a map of the area, which was a visual representation of a Dystopian Dublin in the near future. We were to write about a battle or an encounter between The Authority and The Squad. We got our short stories finished and Colm took them away and said that he would have them typed up for our next encounter.

Colm returned for the last time on Monday the 21<sup>st</sup> of January to complete the Dystopian Fiction Workshop. There were eight students at this workshop. He handed our stories back to us and as a group we read them out so everyone could hear. All of us had really different stories and it was fascinating to see how eight students could write about the same topic but were all so different. He helped us improve our stories and they all turned out really well and will be put on the website epicdublin.com.

The workshop took place as part of the South Dublin Libraries Epic programme which was rolled out to schools around South Dublin. The final showcase is on the 28<sup>th</sup> of March in Tallaght Library. Thanks to Mrs Hartnett for organizing the workshop and for Colm coming in to work with us. It was a privilege to be involved.

*[Ryan O’Dwyer TY Joyce]*

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## **Student Enterprise Competition**

The school final of the Student Enterprise Competition took place on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January. There was an overall entry of 32 groups this year between TY and 2<sup>nd</sup> Year. All of the prize winners advance to the Dublin County Final later in the term.

### **Results:**

#### **Senior Category:**

1<sup>st</sup> – Focail Bheaga (Donal Monahan, Ryan O’Dwyer, Jake Andrews)

2<sup>nd</sup> – Buttonheads (Cathal Mullen, Joseph Whelan, Charlie McGowan, Joseph Fanning)

3<sup>rd</sup> – Pet Aid (Sean Harmon, Ruaidhri Doyle, Andrew Leader, Filip Krolikowsli, Eoin Daly)

4<sup>th</sup> – Right Fix Hurleys (Thomas Culleton, Davy Keogh)

#### **Intermediate Category**

Winner – Diarmuid Connolly





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