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## Coláiste Éanna C.B.S. Newsletter

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### Nóta ón bPríomhoide:

A Chairde,

Early this morning, 12 students and 4 members of staff departed for Kolkata on the 2018 India Immersion Project. We wish them a safe trip and look forward to hearing the presentations on their experiences on their return.

We would like to thank all the Coláiste Éanna C.B.S. community for all their hard work since the end of the Christmas term. As always we negotiated the 'January Blues' by supporting each other. It is sincerely appreciated.

We also keep our sixth and third year students in our thoughts and prayers as they prepare for their mock examinations.

**Mid-term break commences** at the end of class tomorrow, and school reopens on Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> February. Please note that the school will also be **closed on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February** to facilitate teacher training on the new Junior Certificate.

Le gach dea-ghuí,

S. Ó Murchú  
Principal

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## Mock Leaving and Junior Cert. Exams

Please click on the following link (using Ctrl+Click) to view the Timetables for both the Leaving Certificate and Junior Certificate Mock Examinations which commence after Mid-Term.

<http://www.colaiستeeanna.ie/2018/02/07/mock-exams/>

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### Information from Guidance Counsellor

We are inviting **Fifth Year** students who wish to complete an aptitude test in school, to do so in the Spring of 2018. It is not mandatory to complete an aptitude test and is up to individual students and their parents/guardians if they wish to complete one. We are offering the C.A.T. 4 examination for Senior Students (the DATS test which was previously used has now outdated norms). **The exam will be an online examination and costs thirteen euro per student.** It will be completed in school as it needs to be supervised by a Guidance Counsellor, so it cannot be completed elsewhere. It should be completed in approximately two hours.

Any student completing the examination must bring working head-phones on the day of the examination.

The date for the examination is yet to be finalised. For students who wish to take the aptitude test, the money will be collected during the week of February 19th - 23rd, and must be left into the Guidance Office in an envelope with the student's name on it. It is requested that students ensure that the correct money - (thirteen euro) is in the envelope. A profile needs to be set-up in advance for each student completing the examination, which is why payment must be given before we finalise the ordering of the examinations. Students will receive feedback verbally regarding their examination results. Please feel free to contact me at the school should you need any clarification regarding this.

*[Ms. Ruane]*

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## Chess Club

Any student wishing to participate in the 2018 Irish Junior Chess Championships being held this year in Shannon Co. Clare on the 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> of April please submit your names to Dave ASAP. The approximate cost of this trip will be about €90 per student, the cost covers transport, food, accommodation and entrance fee.

Please note that chess runs in the school every Wednesday from 1-4pm and on Fridays from 3:30-10pm. We provide ICU professional coaching on both days with mentoring from senior players, feel free to come along and have a look for yourself.

*[Mr. Grant]*

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## Basketball

Congratulations to the First and Second year teams on comfortable wins over St. Andrews yesterday. MVP was Alex Kiernan. Last week, the Second year team beat Templeogue while the first year team lost by 4 points. Both teams are on track to qualify for the Leinster quarter finals as things stand.

*[Mr. O'Sullivan]*

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## Parents Association

The Parents Association Monthly Draw Winners for January were as follows:

1st	Angela Hickey	€250
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Fionnuala Keogh	€100
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Daire Keogh	€50

*[P.A. Committee]*

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## Student Enterprise Awards

The Student Enterprise Awards Final was held last Monday evening. 34 groups of TY Students had developed product ideas and were interviewed on the evening by the judges (volunteers from the Parents Association). Results as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place      Re-Lumination      Rory Duggan and Fionn McBride
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place      Connolly & Co.      Oisín Connolly, Jordan Gallagher, Ben Tierney and Jerry Yong
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place      Timber Themes      Shane Brown, Jamie O'Flaherty and Conor Russell

All of these groups, along with Colm Ward of 1<sup>st</sup> Year, will be going forward to the County Enterprise Final which takes place in the coming weeks.

We would like to especially thank the judges who gave up their time to examine the reports and conduct the interviews.



*[Mr. Conway]*

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## Sign Language Classes

Congratulations to the following boys who participated in the Irish Sign Language beginners course over the last 10 weeks.

**Patrick Farrington, Rory Duggan, Ciaran O'Reilly, Mati Karski, Kelvyn Fields, Ryan Sanchez and James Clarke**

All students did very well with Mati Karski winning the overall Irish Sign Language Award for 2017/18. The students will present a cheque for €210 to the Holy Family School for the Deaf Cabra at a later date. Our thanks go to Ms. Derval Cleland for organising and facilitating this course.



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