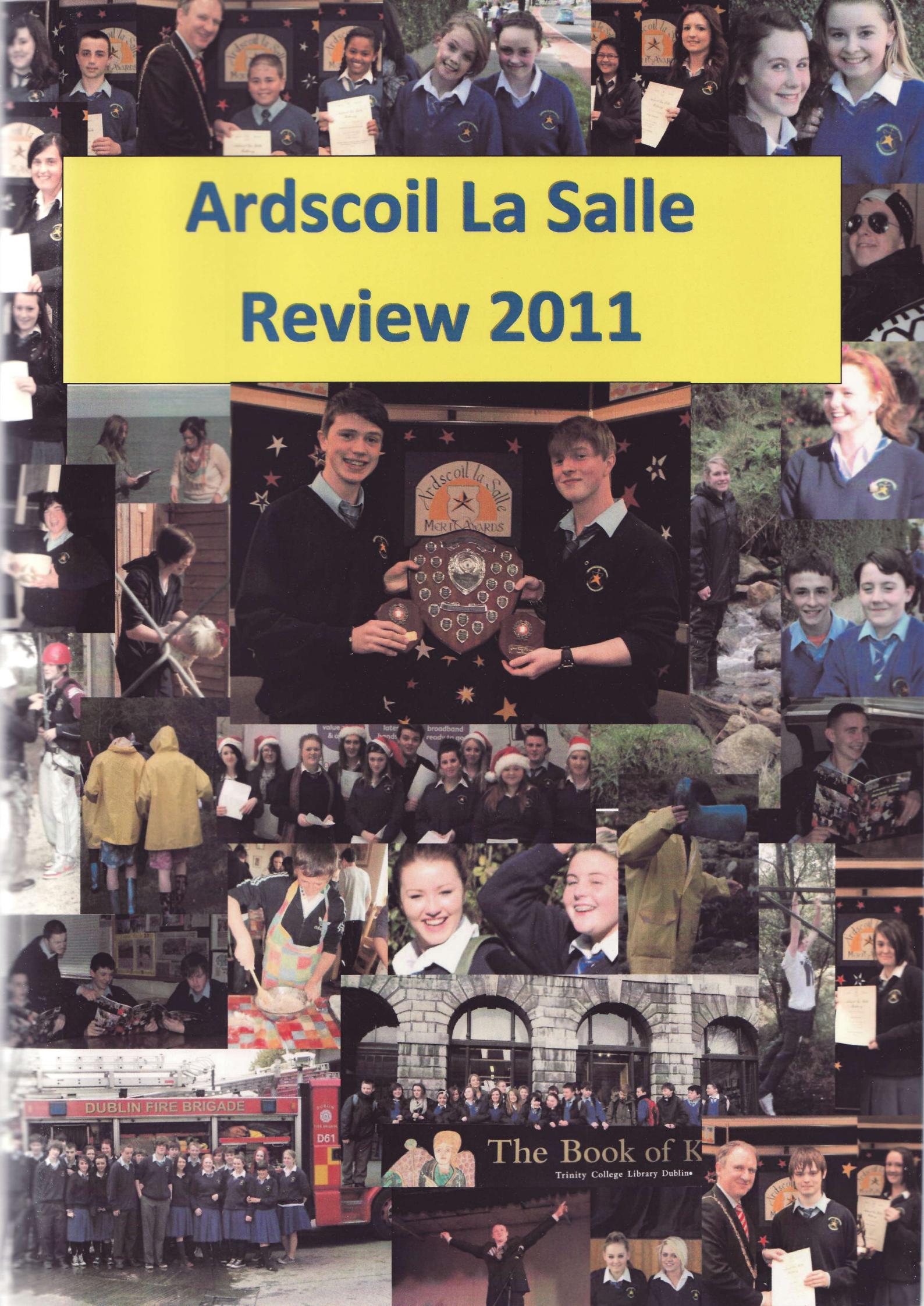


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Foreword

As I approach the end of my first year as principal, I am reflecting on the events that took place this year. It has been a very busy and activity packed year. The school welcomed the visit of two inspectors from the Department of Education and Skills last November as part of a Whole School Inspection. They were very happy with the teaching and learning in all classrooms visited. The school participated in the 'Catholic Schools Week' where religious services took place all week in the school. The highlight being a full mass held in the study hall. One of the more recent events occurred when elections were held for the new student council. This is an important step for the students and school as it allows for more communication and discussion on items that students are concerned about.

This year I have enjoyed working with all members of the school community and am very appreciative of the commitment of the teachers, parents, students and the members of the Board of Management to the running of the school.

The new school website at www.ardscoillasalle.ie is up and running. All aspects of it should be available for use by September next. Part of the site is for the use of the students and teachers to allow access to all school materials such as course material, assignments, results and attendance.

As mentioned in a previous newsletter the school had planned to improve the sports and IT facilities. The school now offers a new fitness centre in the sports hall for the use of the students and teachers. All students, including fifth and sixth years, will be able to avail of this facility during their PE classes. It is also available after school on a Thursday from 3.30 pm to 5.00 pm. All classrooms in the school now have an excellent short-throw projector and PC available for teacher and student use. As well as making subject presentations there is access to the network and Internet for research purposes.

Good luck to all our third and sixth year students sitting the Junior and Leaving certificate exams in June. It is a stressful time for them but June is nearly upon us and the exams will soon be over. Best wishes to the sixth years in their future careers. I trust their time in Ardscoil La Salle will stand them in good stead.

Finally I wish all teachers and students a good rest over the summer months. Looking forward to meeting up with you all at the end of August.

Gerard Cleary

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Fundraising



As ever the students and staff have shown great generosity of spirit and have put much time and effort into fundraising for various causes. Congratulations to all concerned and thanks to the parents and the local community for their support.

Transition Year students raised in excess of €800 for JASPER. Juvenile Arthritis (JA) is one of the most common childhood autoimmune diseases affecting up to one in every 1000 children. The Transition Year students were also involved in raising money for the ISPCC. Each year the ISPCC relies on the kindness of the public to raise just over 90% of the funding needed to carry out its work.



This year the staff were thanked by the St. Francis Hospice for the cheque of €1000 they received. This was raised by a number of the ladies on the staff when they got sponsorship for walking (or running?!) the Women's Mini - Marathon last June.

The ladies are getting geared up for a repeat performance this June!



Ms. Cunningham and Ms. McGovern were delighted with the efforts made by their Glee Club members when they raised money for Cystic Fibrosis. CF is Ireland's most common life-threatening inherited disease. People with CF are prone to constant chest infections and malnutrition.

First Years



1.1 Back Row: Conor McCormack, Sebastian Gadek, Adam Quinn, Glenn Reilly, Eoghan Farrell, Matthew Carter, Daniel Murphy, Shane Carr. **Middle Row:** David Groark, Luke Evans, Lee Conroy, Chloe Byrne, Louise Gillanders, Jack Gillanders, Joshua McDonnell, Jamie Byrne. **Front Row:** Rebecca Hansard, Orla McKay, Shannon Eichelberger, Amy O'Toole, Claire Smith, Chloe McCormack, Nicole McMahon. **Absent:** Dylan Leech, Karl Hatton, Shantel Flynn.



1.1A Back Row: Aoife Eustace, Mark Grace, Thomas O'Connor, Gerard Colton, Sean Plummer, Sarah Bernes, Keith Hale. **Middle Row:** Jordan McGuinness, Bernard Hanlon, Aaron Dalton, Conor Reilly, Dillon Erb, Jonathan Daly, Daniel Loftus. **Front Row:** Aaron Beatty, Shauna Walsh, Lauren Keegan, Suzanne Nolan, Eamonn White.

Absent: Ciaran Coates,
Temiloluwa Abioye (Temi)(Right),
Jamie Murphy (Far Right).



First Years



1.M Back Row: Conor Leach, Aaron Campbell, Ryan Hickey Hoolahan, Ryan Foster, Aaron Gifford Murphy. **Front Row:** Kyle Grehan, Gavin Maughan, Sarah Johnson, Carla Cassidy, Amy Mulhall, Gianluca Parravani, Dean Lennon. **Absent:** Mark O'Reilly.

A Rising Star



Above: First Year student Chloe McCormack Grant in costume for a stage production of *Jane Eyre* during the year, along with other actresses, including Andrea Corr.

Chloe played the part Jane Eyre who tells the story of a young orphaned girl who survives a wretched childhood unbroken in spirit and integrity to eventually fall in love with the troubled Mr. Rochester.

Chloe is currently working on the second series of the BBC production *Roy*.

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Second Years



2.1 Back Row: George Whelan, Jake Burke, Eric Whelan, Daniel Hennessy, Kevin Leech, Ryan McSherry, Ultan McCarthy. **Middle Row:** Mark Somers, Jason Ryan, Kai Tsigidin, Adam Cooney, Paul Brown, Jennifer Reynolds, James O'Doherty, Leon Murphy, Megan O'Sullivan, Conor O'Hara, Adam Powell. **Front Row:** Rachel Tracey, Eve Breslin, Donna Maher, Shauna Mulvaney, Sarah Kelly, Loren Wilkes, Gemma Walsh. **Absent:** Shauna Scanlon, Dominik Zwardon, Jordan Clifford, Tracey Bethel.



2.1A Back Row: Catriona O'Brien, Graham Maher, Conor Tyrrell, Jordan Ryan, Ivan Cerednicenko, Michaela O'Brien, Louise Smith. **Front Row:** Craig Connor, Darragh White, Alexandra Scott, Clodagh Murray, Niamh Brown, Robert Whelan, Sean Brady. **Absent:** John Crabtree, Eric Kelly, Dave Kennedy.

Second Years



2M Back Row: Gary Conroy, Alex Kenny, Dylan Byrne, Paul Cummins. **Front Row:** Calvin Ryan, Elisabeta Sardaru, Margaret Johnson, Jake Byrne. **Absent:** Craig Blake, Rhys Loy, Eric Whelan, Victoria Wood.



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Third Year



3.1 Back Row: Colin Sheeran, Gavin Hickey, Barry Davis, Danil Chatuncev, Daniel Williams, Vivienne Foster, Laurynas Liutvaitis, Megan Carpenter, James Culleton. **Middle Row:** Keith Stafford, Dylan Smith, Kristina Lee, Betelehem Mesfein Mekonen, Holly Doyle, Molly Dunne, Ciara Farrelly, Brian Dillon, Craig Griffiths. **Front Row:** Jordan Kearns, Laura Horan, Ciara Manning, Amy O'Sullivan, Dianne Murphy, Hannah Mooney, Shannon Kelly. **Absent:** Aaron Daly, Gemma Gaughan, Lee Lynch, Joshua Redmond, John Reyes.



3.1A Back Row: Jake Keegan, Adam Keegan, Daryl Sherwin, Dean McMahon, Stephen Dolan. **Middle Row:** Glenn Radley, Lee Walsh, Andrew O'Leary, Hayley Mooney, Hayley Tierney, Stephen Kenny. **Front Row:** Lee Harris, Derek Doherty, Fazil Veliyev, Amy Blackmore, Jennifer Connolly, Luke Coates, Aaron Dale. **Absent:** Carlita Clifford, Andrea Doran, Hannah Fagan, Melissa Gray, Cian Lenihan, Adam Loughman, Daynagh O'Brien, Megan O'Neill, Lynne Smith.

Third Year



3M Back Row: Colm Smith, Shauna Slattery, Dylan Byrne, Shauna Smith, Ciaran Fagan, Mr. Brennan. **Front Row:** Matas Gudaitis, Jade Blake, Nicola O'Sullivan, Jonathon McMahon. **Absent:** Shannon Cassin, Eric Kearns, Adam Kelly, Lee Kelly.



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Transition Years



Back Row: Ciaran Cordial, Christopher Reilly, Jonny Ryan, Denis Samoila, Ian Reynolds, Liam Craig, Daniel Guerin, Dean Gilroy. **Middle Row:** Sinéad Leonard, Chelsey Murphy, Amy Woods, Jade Connor, Leanne Byrne, Tracey Kelly. **Front Row:** Karlin Hamilton, Erica Eichelberger, Niamh McEvoy, Louise Daly, Dale Twomey, Ross O'Rourke. **Absent:** Shannon O'Shea, Cian Flood, Kim Carroll.

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Fifth Years



5.1 Back Row: Dovydas Savicius, Ian McGuinness, Adam Dale, Sam Gormley, Gary Gaughan, Samuel Johnson, Sean Smith, Keith O'Brien. **Middle Row:** Ian Corr, Sean Kane, Nicole Pollard, Molly Woods, Linda Fitzgerald, Emily Gilligan, Jennifer Singleton, Kate O'Toole, Ciaran White **Front Row:** Elizabeth Blackmore, Aoife Flynn, Monique Comendador, Nicole Nestor, Shaday Bates, Shauna O'Halloran, Heather Doyle.



5.2 Back Row: Ridwan Osomoku, David Conroy, Aleks Bloch, Glen Conroy, Daniel Gainullins, Ben Daly. **Middle Row:** Lee Caulfield, Kelly Lawlor, Lauren McKenna, Nicole Murray, Niamh Byrne, Aoife McGearty. **Front Row:** David Keoghan, Ian Maher, Craig Rafferty, Eric Dixon, Andrew Benson, Kenneth Cummins, Sam Woolhead. **Absent:** Alex Bonnie, Pauline Healy.

Fifth Years



5.3 Aleksandrs Zbenovics, Robyn Roche, Ruben Da Silva Lemos, Ryan Kenny.

Absent: James Brady, Hayley Doyle (right), Matthew Meehan, Darren Moloney, Shannon O'Loughlin.



Maser, a famous graffiti artist, came to the school to do a mural with the 5th years. Sean Smith, Nicole Pollard, Emily Gilligan and Eric Dixon took part in filming, photography and making the beats for the film. Maser and the 5th years took a day to come up with the ideas and to make up stencils for spray painting. In the mural they put positive messages and a picture of one of the De La Salle Brothers - but with a modern twist. To spray paint the whole mural took one day. You can now see it in our Study Hall.

It brings the school to life and it is really inspiring.

Shane Higgins and Jason Conroy helped out the four students with the film, photography and sound.

Everything turned out amazing and it was great working with everyone.



Sixth Years



6.1 Back Row: John McNally, Lee Gilroy, Conor O'Brien, Stephen Hatton, Darren Brabazon, David Bernes, Gerard McShane, David Noonan. **Middle Row:** Timothy Kelly, Sean Cummins, Paul Gallagher, Emmet Doyle, Sean Barrett Byrne, Christopher Buckley, Kevin Lee, Shane Gilroy. **Front Row:** Aisling Farrell, Aisling Carroll, Ciara Bregazzi, Shauna Quinn, Rebecca Murphy, Siobhán Scanlon, Eva Daly. **Absent:** Ruairi Hallissey, John Kennedy, John McNally.

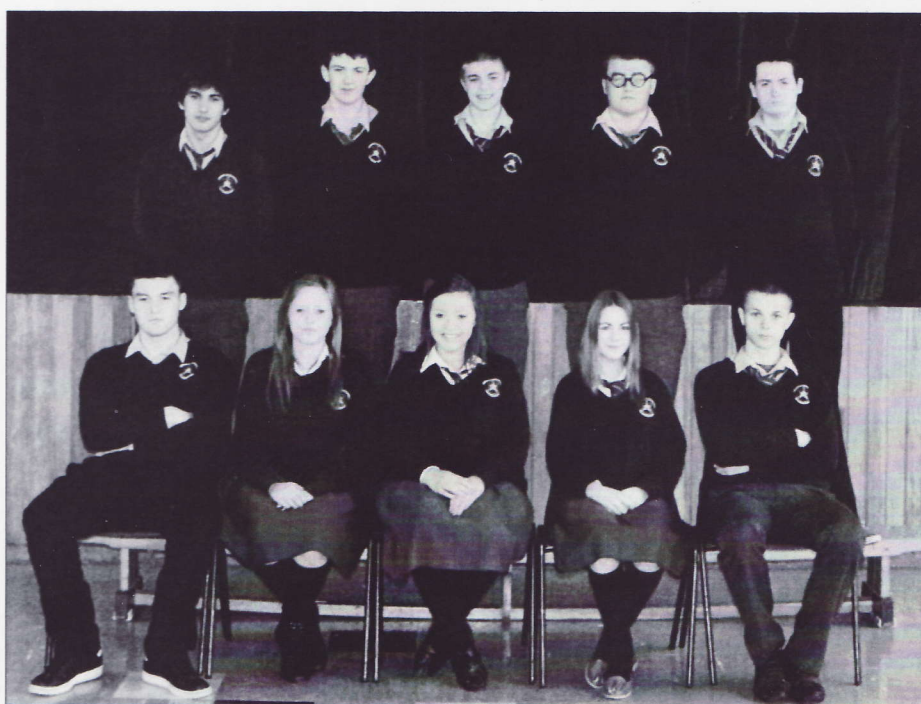


6.2 Back Row: Ainoras Liutvaitis, Eric Dillon, Lee Garbutt, Sean Keogh, Sam Dempsey. **Middle Row:** Megan Hickey, David Healy, Ross Byrne, Kevin Kavanagh Dunne, Orlagh Fitzpatrick. **Front Row:** Megan Lee, Leanne Kiernan, Laura Watters, Nicole Wood, Carla McGrath. **Absent:** Marc Byrne.

Sixth Years



6.3 Back Row: Ryan Daly, Craig Ronan, Keith Keatley, Dean Mason. **Middle Row:** Thomas Murphy, Steven Payne Lyons, Peter Doyle, Ryan Slater. **Front Row:** Glenn Smith, Niamh Fagan, Leanne Fitzgerald, Rachel McMahon, Paul Byrne. **Absent:** John Lacis, Daniel Leahy, Jonathan Giffney (inset, above right).



6.4 Back Row: Daniel Trimble, Josh Wrench, Mark Kelly, Lee Gibson, Graeme Mulhall. **Front Row:** Danny O'Brien, Shauna Kenny, Lauren Conroy, Kellie Marks, Lee Bishop. **Absent:** Evan Carmody (inset, right), Kevin Meade.

Leinster Finalists 2011



Leinster Finalists 2011 (L-R): Leanne Kiernan, Orlagh Fitzpatrick, Stephen Hatton, Gary Gaughan.

Congratulations to the Debating Science Issues team who represented us in the Leinster Finals recently.

Debating Science Issues is a dynamic debating competition which invites young people to engage in debate on the cultural, societal and ethical implications of advances in biomedical science. It is open to students in the senior cycle of secondary school in the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland.

The competition aims to encourage young people to take an active interest in biomedical science and to engage with contemporary research. The judges praised our research, referencing and the delivery of speeches by the team. Mentors Ms. Ní Raghallaigh and Mr. Noonan were very proud of the team. Well done to all.

Transition Year

Why do Transition Year

By Stephen Smith

In TY you get to do a lot of fun things. These range from Driving Lessons to going to see plays. You get to do four weeks of work experience in total. Two of these are in October and two are in March. School work is different because it is done in a fun way with a lot of group work. You learn new subjects, as well as the usual ones. Opening a Mini-Company during the year is great fun! You have to do your projects and team-work all year round, but it is great fun. In all, Transition Year is a great year and is an extra year to mature. I personally think it is great because I've matured and learned new skills. I even went to Trinity College for Technology for a week. Also, they say on average you score 40 more points in your Leaving Cert than if you went straight to senior cycle after your Junior Cert.

Transition Year Activities 2010-2011



Causey Farm, Build a Bank, Tuck Shop, Fundraising for Jasper and the ISPCC, Work Experience, Kippure Adventure Centre, Leprechaun Museum, Fire Station visit, Psycho Spaghetti Comedy, Bridge to College experience, CPR Training, Leadership Training, Squashy Couch, Music...and class!!



Mini-Company Prize Winners



In Ms Hughes' Business class it was decided that TY students would start a mini-company. They opened a tuck shop and made beaded jewellery. To gain a role within the mini-company they had to apply for the positions. During class CVs were prepared, interview techniques were explored and mock interviews were conducted. Interviews were held and the roles were distributed among the class. The name of the company is 'Blazing Beads & Buns'.

Students raised money by selling shares, investing their own money and by having a teachers' car wash. The tuck shop opened after Christmas and was very successful. The students have also made a limited amount of jewellery.

'Blazing Beads & Buns' attended the regional final of a Transition Year Mini-Company Competition 'Get Up and Go'. Students that attended the exhibition were Amy Woods, Erica Eichelberger, Kim Carroll, Niamh McEvoy, Ciaran Cordial, Jade Connor, Louise Daly, Sinéad Leonard and Daniel Guerin. The students were delighted to win second place under the 'presentation' category. It was a great experience for the students and they really enjoyed taking part in the exhibition.

Build a Bank



The TY students opened an AIB bank in the school with the help of the bank representative Sglina. The students worked diligently all year, promoting the benefits of the bank to students and their efforts paid off when there was a big take-up of students opening an account. The launch day of the bank on the 28th of January opened with a table quiz. Prices were geared towards enticing students to get involved and it proved very successful.

The TY students attended a competition in the Carlton Hotel, Santry in which a number of schools were competing. Students in attendance included: Jade Connor, Ciaran Cordial, Niamh McEvoy, Ian Reynolds, Dale Twomey and Amy Woods. They prepared a Power-Point presentation and financial accounts and also performed a very impressive rap and dance combination.

Unfortunately, the team did not claim one of the prizes but they did get a special mention for their creative presentation. They were even asked to perform their routine once more for the camera.

Fun was had by all!!

Merit Awards 2011

First Year

Academic Endeavour:

Jamie Byrne, Shane Carr, Lee Conroy, Shannon Eichelberger, Eoghan Farrell, Rebecca Hansard, Dylan Leech, Conor McCormack, Joshua McDonnell, Glen Reilly, Claire Smith, Sarah Bernes, Aoife Eustace, Keith Hale, Daniel Loftus, Thomas O'Connor, Conor Reilly, Carla Cassidy, Aaron Gifford Murphy, Sarah Johnson, Dean Lennon, Amy Mulhall, Gianluca Parravani.

Academic Endeavour & Excellent Attendance:

Sean Plummer

Academic Endeavour & Contribution to Cultural Activities:

Orla McKay

Excellent Attendance:

Luke Evans, David Groark Peate

Contribution to Cultural Activities:

Karl Hatton

Contribution to School Spirit:

Temi Abioye
Kyle Tipping Grehan

Second Year

Academic Endeavour:

Jake Burke, Kevin Leech, Conor O'Hara, Megan O'Sullivan, Rachel Tracey, Gemma Walsh Brown, Niamh Brown, Catriona O'Brien, Robert Whelan, Darragh White, Margaret Johnson, Calvin Ryan

Academic Endeavour & Contribution to Cultural Activities:

Paul Brown, Ryan McSherry, James O'Doherty, Adam Powell

Academic Endeavour & Excellent Attendance:

Donna Maher, Jennifer Reynolds

Academic Endeavour & Contribution to GAA:

Craig Connor

Academic Endeavour & Contribution to Soccer:

Daniel Hennessy, Paul Cummins

Excellent Attendance:

Alexandra Scott, Dylan Byrne

Contribution to School Spirit:

Eve Breslin, Sarah Kelly

Contribution to GAA: Jason Ryan

Merit Awards 2011

Third Year

Academic Endeavour:

Danil Chatuncev, Ciara Manning, Dianne Murphy, Amy O'Sullivan, Colin Sheeran, Daynagh O'Brien, Daryl Sherwin, Lee Walsh

Academic Endeavour & Perfect Attendance:

Daniel Williams

Academic Endeavour - Contribution to Cultural Activities & Excellent Attendance:

Betelehem Mesfein

Excellent Attendance & Contribution to Cultural Activities:

Gemma Gaughan

Academic Endeavour & Contribution to Cultural Activities:

Holly Doyle, Laura Horan

Academic Endeavour & Excellent Attendance:

James Culleton, Brian Dillon

Excellent Attendance:

Andrew O'Leary

Contributing to Cultural Activities:

Megan Carpenter, Ciara Farrelly, Vivienne Foster, Jordan Ann Kearns, Shannon Kelly, Jennifer Connolly

The John Slattery Award

This award was set up in memory of the late Mr. John Slattery, who taught in this school for many years, encouraging the academic progress of junior students. It is given to a pupil in Junior cycle who has consistently shown a positive attitude to schoolwork and helpfulness and courtesy to fellow-pupils and to teachers, even when the going gets tough. Well done:



Lee Walsh 3.1A

Junior Sportsman of the Year

This award is made to a student who has consistently displayed the highest standards of sportsmanship, combining a high level of athletic skill with team spirit and who, while exhibiting enthusiastic competitiveness, yet always strives to play fair, leads by example, inspiring team-mates to greater effort. The Junior Sportsman of the Year goes to:

Aaron Daly 3.1

Junior Student of the Year for 2011

The award of Junior Student of the year 2011 goes to a pupil who has maintained the highest standards of excellence in all areas of school life over the past three years. This student has been exemplary in character, respectful of others, steadfastly cooperative with and obliging to both teachers and fellow-students. Highly motivated, extremely diligent, conscientious in attendance and punctuality, our Junior Student of the Year consistently strives for and reaches the goal of academic excellence.

The student who has well and truly deserved the accolade of Junior Student of the Year 2011 is:



(L-R) Cllr Breen, Danil Chatuncev 3.1, Mr O'Brien (Yearhead).

Merit Awards 2011

Transition Year

Academic Endeavour & Contribution to Mini Company:

Erica Eichelberger

Contributing to Mini Company:

Dean Gilroy, Daniel Guerin

Contributing to Mini Company & Cooperative Spirit:

Tracey Kelly, Sinead Leonard, Shannon O'Shea

Contributing to A.I.B. Bank Scheme & Mini Company & Cooperative Spirit:

Louise Daly

Contributing to A.I.B. Bank Scheme & Mini Company:

Jade Connor, Niamh McEvoy, Ian Reynolds, Amy Woods

Contributing to A.I.B. Bank Scheme & Mini Company & Contribution

to Cultural Activities: Ciaran Cordial

Cooperative Spirit: Karlin Hamilton

Academic Endeavour & Contribution to Ladies Soccer:

Heather Doyle

Academic Endeavour & Contribution to Soccer:

Kenneth Cummins

Contribution to GAA: David Conroy

Contribution to GAA & Excellent Attendance:

Glenn Conroy

Contribution to Ladies Soccer & Cultural Activities:

Shaday Bates

Contribution to Cultural Activities:

Elizabeth Blackmore

Contribution to School Spirit:

Ian Corr, Ben Daly, Ciaran White

Contribution to Ladies Soccer:

Linda Fitzgerald, Nicole Nestor, Jennifer Singleton

Fifth Year

Academic Endeavour:

Aoife Flynn, Keith O'Brien, Shauna O'Halloran, Nicole Pollard, Sean Smith, Aoife McGearty

Academic Endeavour & Contribution to Debating:

Gary Gaughan

Academic Endeavour & Contribution to Ladies Soccer:

Monique Comendador

Academic Endeavour & Contribution to Cultural Activities:

Lauren McKenna

Academic Endeavour & Excellent Attendance & Contribution to School Spirit:

Molly Woods

Sixth Year

Academic Endeavour:

David Bernes, Ciara Bregazzi, Aisling Carroll, Eva Daly, Aisling Farrell, Gerard McShane, Rebecca Murphy, Shauna Quinn, Ross Byrne, Eric Dillon, Carla McGrath, Shauna Kenny.

Excellent Attendance: Graeme Mulhall

Academic Endeavour & Contribution to Debating:

Stephen Hatton, Leanne Kiernan.

Contribution to Debating: Orlagh Fitzpatrick

Academic Endeavour & Contribution to Cultural Activities:

David Noonan



Merit Awards 2011

Academic Endeavour & Contribution to Ladies Soccer:

Leanne Fitzgerald

player of distinction, with a strong sense of team spirit and outstanding ability, always generous in victory and courageous in defeat.

Academic Endeavour & Contribution to Soccer:

Dean Mason

*This year, we are pleased to find two students worthy of this award and we **have** great pleasure in awarding the title of Senior Sportsperson of the Year jointly to:*

Contribution to Cultural Activities:

Emmet Doyle, John Kennedy, John Lacis

Contribution to Soccer

Thomas Murphy, Kevin Kavanagh Dunne, Stephen Payne Lyons

Senior Sportsperson(s) of the Year

The Senior Sportsperson of the Year is an all-round sportsperson, a key member of the school team, whether in soccer, Gaelic football or hurling, a



Dean Mason



Leanne Fitzgerald

Senior Student of the Year 2011

When choosing the Senior Student of the Year, we look for an exemplary pupil, a student who has maintained for five or for six years a consistent commitment to study at the highest level, who has achieved excellent results in the Junior Cert and continues to apply the same high standards to preparations for the Leaving Certificate.

The Student of the Year is not only outstandingly able in academic work, but also possesses sterling personal qualities: displaying uprightness, maturity, helpfulness; treating both staff and fellow-students with unfailing courtesy and consideration; always completely reliable, outstandingly honourable, and utterly unassuming.

This year, we are pleased to find two students worthy of the award: Stephen Hatton & David Noonan.



(L-R) Cllr Gerry Breen (Lord Mayor), Stephen Kenny (Past Pupil), Stephen Hatton and David Noonan (Joint Award Winners)

Theatre Trips

Liberty Hall Theatre

-Leanne Kiernan 6th year

As part of our 6th Year course my classmates and I went to see the play '*A Whistle in the Dark*' by Tom Murphy. We got the bus into town and walked to Liberty Hall. It was not a school based production because plenty of other adults also attended. It is a well-known play. It's about an Irish family so there was no 'put on' accent while in play by the actors. It was easy to relate to. It is a small theatre so it was easy to see and very comfortable. The stage set up was good with the props and lights being realistic, but kept simple at the same time. The play lasted about three hours. The actors were very experienced and we remained interested throughout. We all enjoyed it very much and it gave us a better understanding of the novel we are studying.

Mr Noonan took his sixth year English class to a production of Brian Friel's '*Dancing at Lughnasa*'. The play was presented by the Second Age Theatre Company and directed by David Horan and was a treat to behold. This is the company's third presentation of one of Ireland's best loved playwrights, Brian Friel.

Ms Cooper took her first year English class to see a production of '*Jane Eyre*'. The play starred our own Chloe Byrne (1.1) and it was a very enjoyable experience indeed.

Mathematics

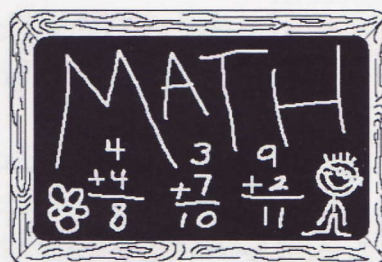
This year a group of students represented us in the P.R.I.S.M. competition and proved to be extremely strong. The national Problem Solving Competition is a challenging one hour examination where our students can pit themselves against students from schools across the country.

Our top junior students were:

1. Brian Dillon (3.1)
2. Daniel Williams (3.1)
3. Glen Murphy (1.1), Dianne Murphy (3.1)

Our top senior students were:

1. Stephen Hatton (6.1)
2. Rebecca Murphy (6.1), David Bernes (6.1)
3. Gary Gaughan (5.1)



The Complete Sixth Year Survey

Category	Nomination	Winner
Most likely to take over Oprah:	Lauren Conroy Sam Dempsey Rachel McMahon Shauna Quinn	Sam Dempsey
Future Showbiz Star:	Niamh Fagan Darren Brabazon Siobhán Scanlon Christopher Buckley	Niamh Fagan
Best Smile:	Lauren Conroy John McNally Ryan Daly Rebecca Murphy	Rebecca Murphy
The next Albert Einstein:	Stephen Hatton David Bernes Thomas Murphy Peter Doyle	Stephen Hatton
Most School Spirit:	Siobhán Scanlon Lee Gilroy Leanne Kiernan Christopher Buckley	Siobhán Scanlon
Most Likely to Succeed:	Evan Carmody Thomas Murphy Carla McGrath Shane Gilroy	Shane Gilroy
Most Likey to run for President:	Lee Gilroy Lee Bishop Thomas Murphy Rebecca Murphy	Lee Gilroy
Best dressed:	Peter Doyle Megan Hickey John McNally Mr McElhinney	Peter Doyle

The Complete Sixth Year Survey

Category	Nominations	Winner
Most Charming:	Sean Barrett Stephen Hatton Glen Smith Thomas Murphy	Stephen Hatton
Class Chatterbox:	Craig Ronan Megan Lee Siobhán Scanlon Paul Gallagher	Megan Lee
Most Musical:	John Lacis Christopher Buckley Glenn Smith David Noonan	David Noonan
Most likely to be Remembered:	Evan Carmody Darren Brabazon Daniel Leahy Lee Gilroy	Darren Brabazon
Best person to be stuck on a Desert Island with:	Jonathan Giffney John McNally Daniel Leahy Kevin Kavanagh Dunne	Kevin Kavanagh Dunne
Most likely to save the Planet:	Stephen Hatton Darren Brabazon Peter Doyle Ciara Bregazzi	Stephen Hatton
Most Artistic:	Sean Cummins Peter Doyle John Kennedy	John Kennedy
Most Likely to Work as a Teacher at the School:	Lee Gilroy Leanne Kiernan David Noonan Rebecca Murphy	Leanne Kiernan



The Complete Sixth Year Survey

Category	Nomination	Winner
Most Likely to be a Professional Footballer:	Dean Mason Kevin Kavanagh Dunne Stephen Payne Lyons Adam Currivan	Dean Mason
Most Likely to Win an Oscar:	Stephen Hatton Aisling Farrell Lee Gilroy Christopher Buckley	Christopher Buckley
Most Likely to be a Millionaire:	Thomas Murphy David Bernes Christopher Buckley Stephen Hatton	David Bernes
Most Likely to Win X-Factor:	Christopher Buckley John Lacis Josh Wrench	Christopher Buckley
Most Likely to Star in 'Home and Away':	Keith Keatley Kellie Marks John McNally Sean Barrett Byrne	Kellie Marks
Most Reliable:	Rebecca Murphy Sam Dempsey Eva Daly Leanne Fitzgerald Stephen Hatton	Eva Daly
Most Positive Attitude:	Keith Keatley Stephen Hatton Siobhan Scanlon Niamh Fagan Lee Gibson	Siobhan Scanlon

Sixth Year Memories

Emmets love poem for Beatrice.

Rachel laughing during English class and everyone copying her and then she got caught.

Ms. Hackett telling **Rachel** that she belongs in Portrane!

Running out of Religion because **Lee** chased us with a spider.

Christopher asking the Irish Oral Examiner to "repeat that" – in English.

Ms. Smith telling **Glenn Smith** she would like to wrap him up in cotton wool and feed him soup.

Mr. Mythen giving a second year a three - legged chair by accident.

Laura asking how she can draw her hand in the box as it won't fit.

Back in third year when **Sam** spilled a chemical on his trousers and **Mr. Dever** telling him "quick- take them off!". Then Sam sitting there with two hair dryers.

Megan falling over her chair in Home Economics.

Sam saying in Irish "I want to be a computer when I'm older".

Megan threatening to call our mums if we didn't bring our money in for the grad!

Keith Keatley falling through his chair on the first day of school.

Mr. Brennan calling **Graeme Mulhall** a 70's 'dance' star.

Stephen Hatton's miming at the talent show.

Shane robbing the baby from biology.

Mr. Noonan doing a high kick and spin in English.

Mr. Coyle joining in on snow day.

Emmet falling up the stairs during Action Track.

Mrs. Ahern saying "in relation to that".

David's love poem for **Ciara**.

Ciara, Lee, Shauna and **Rebecca** playing tag in fourth year German.

Ms. Smith walking Boo Boo outside our Irish class.

Sam Johnson saying to Mr. Pender "Sir, can we do a countdown" before the bell went in 1st year

Graeme laughing like Boicey out of 'Only Fools and Horses' in history

Mr. Breen saying "you tango with me you lose"; when people tried messing in 2nd year.

Mr. Brennan asking **Mr. Coolahan** to put on the kettle over the intercom after school in 3rd year.

Ms. Baird telling **Lee** to stop winking in class.

Stephen Hatton's valentine cards.

Ms. Clarke's holy version of 'we will rock you'

Mr. O'Grady calling **Shane Gilroy** 'Ribena boy'.

Mr. McElhinney's bad jokes.

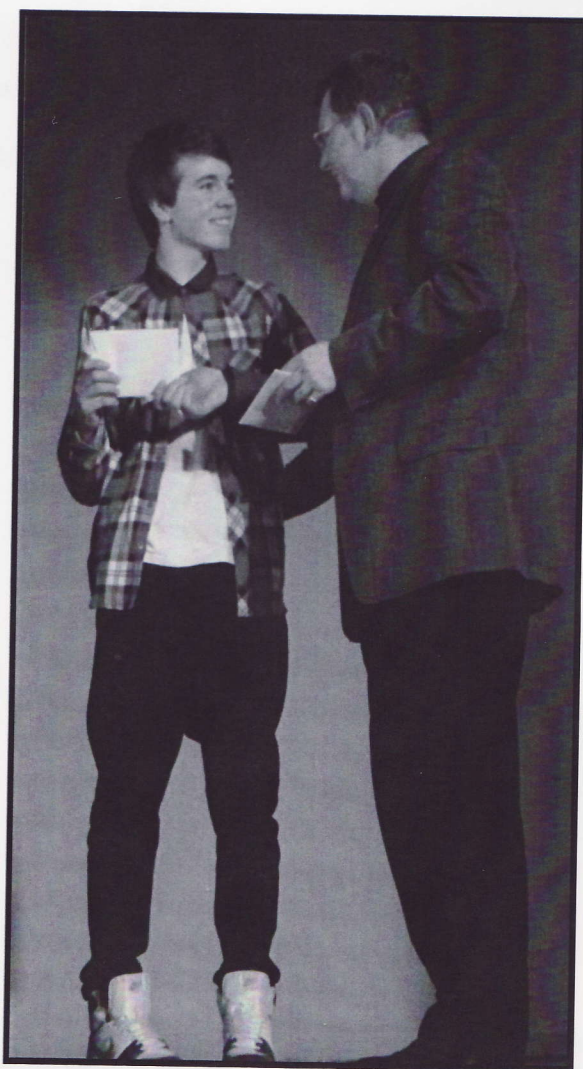
Craig Ronan nearly blowing the school up when he lit the bunsen burner on fire in 3rd Year science.

Glen Smith letting out crickets in Irish.

Mr. Noonan calling **Rebecca, Ciara** and **Shauna** 'harpies' and the name sticking.



Talent Show



***Ciarán Cordial receiving the award
for first prize for the 2011
Talent Show from Mr. Noonan***

The Ardscoil La Salle 2011 Talent Show was a huge success, again attracting quality talent in each category. There were sixteen entrants in total, with each act giving their very best. The hall was full to the brim on the night. **Ciarán Cordial** (TY) scooped the first prize with an original dance arrangement, while **John Lacis** (6th Year) and **Elizabeth Blackmore** (6th Year) took 2nd and 3rd prize, respectively. All participants put in lots of effort and it really showed on the night.

Mr. Noonan was very pleased for them all indeed. Many thanks to the Glee Club for light entertainment on the night. Thanks also to Stephen Hatton (last year's winner) for doing MC on the night, and to David Noonan for taking care of lighting and sound. Finally, well done to John Kennedy on his superb photography for this event. A great night was had by all.

THE BEST SHOW EVER





Field Study



On a fine Autumn day some 6th Year geography students went to Balscadden Bay, in Howth, in order to carry out their field study. The students were required to do many tasks, from measuring the height of the waves to analysing material in the water. Students eagerly took down their results and drew sketches and took photographs of what they had seen. Those with the most sensible footwear even braved going into the water to measure the height of the incoming waves. Since then students have been working on writing up a report based on their findings, which is required as part of their Leaving Certificate. The study accounts for 20% of their exam and we wish all of them the best of luck!

TY Field Trip

By Ciarán Codial and Shannon O Shea

We started our day at 8.15 am It took us about an hour to get to Kippure Adventure Centre. When we arrived we got changed into our waders and we were ready to start our day. First we did a River Study in the River Liffey. From this River Study we were able to find out the depth, the speed and the capacity of the river.

Kippure is surrounded by Wicklow Mountains National Park, a 280-acre estate. The river is in its youthful stage and flows through the estate forming typical granite landscape. After we had completed the river study we were allowed do some orienteering and then we went home.



Celebration of Catholic Schools Week

Ardcoil La Salle celebrated Catholic Schools Week. During the week the school seized the opportunity to celebrate the contribution that Catholic Education makes to their community. Many services were held in the school and students, teachers and parents were invited to become involved in the vibrant faith community which characterises our school. The theme *Catholic Schools - Rooted in Jesus Christ* is inspired by the *Pastoral Letter of Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI to the Catholics of Ireland*, which was published on 20th March 2010.



Taking part in Catholic School's Week.

SPSN - School Parent Support Network Support Group for Parents of Secondary School Kids

The SPSN aims to provide a supportive structure for parents/guardians and families. The aim is that ways can be explored together to help support parents to be confident. Help is offered to deal with parenting issues, especially those presented through the struggles and challenges of adolescence, school life and the peer culture of today. It is run by volunteer parents under the guidance of Sr. Antoinette Keelan who is also involved with St. John's Education Centre. The drop-in centre shares the same building, but it is a separate organisation. The SPSN has the use of a cosy sitting room where parents can meet for a chat, share information and, if need be, have access to a counsellor. The SPSN is a support and a "listening ear" for parents where no problem is too small.

Phone Service / drop-in centre available Mon-Fri 10.00am to 12.00pm.

St John's Educational Centre, Holy Faith Grounds, Glasnevin, Dublin 11.



Yahoo! and Business in the Community



Business in the Community Ireland is a unique movement of companies across Ireland committed to responsible business practices. Our purpose is to inspire, engage, support and challenge companies to continually improve the impact they have on society, specifically in the community, environment, marketplace and workplace. BITCI also works with hundreds of companies nationwide through its innovative social inclusion programmes.

Schools' Business Partnership

Adding value to the Department of Education & Science 'School Completion Programme' this programme aims to positively impact on educational inclusion and address key issues in areas of educational inclusion in Ireland. The programme does this by matching one school with a large local business and engaging in various programmes. Through the Schools' Business Partnership a menu of programmes has been developed to address key educational issues for these schools across the country. Ardscoil La Salle has been partnered with **Yahoo!**, from East Point Business Park.

Skills @ Work

For the past five years we have been involved in the Skills @ Work programme. Employees and managers from the partnering business provide students with a firsthand insight into the diversity of employment roles within a company. For employees this provides an opportunity to enhance and develop presentation skills and recognition of the contribution of different staff roles within the company. This also presents companies with an opportunity to recruit strategically into the company through partnership with a local school. **The programme provides site visits, 'A Day in the Life' talks, CV workshops, mock interviews, company overviews, interview skill techniques and many other sessions such as workplace etiquette, teamwork, etc.** This programme has had a great success in this school. We work closely with the Human Resource Department of Yahoo! to provide this programme. We are delighted with the help and advice they provide our Transition Year students in the area of careers each year.

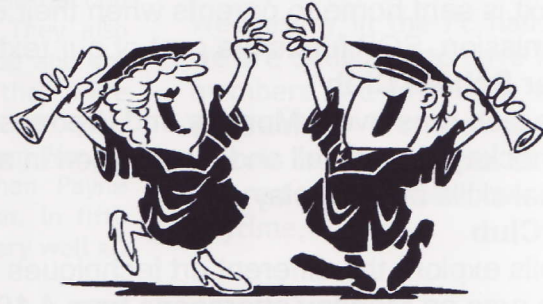


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Yahoo! Staff-Student Mentoring Programme

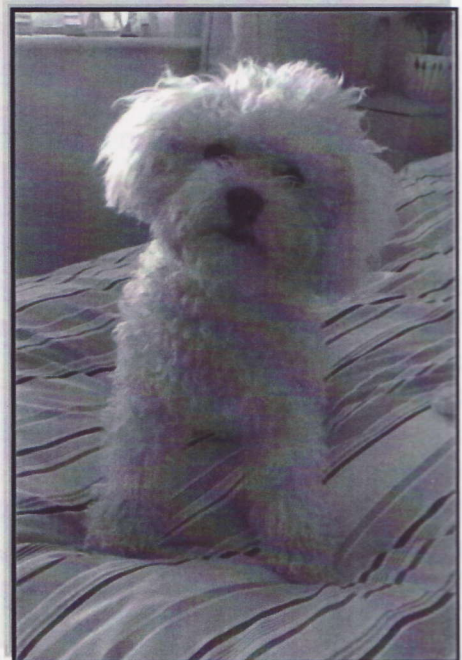
We hope to start this programme this coming year. It is another of the SBP programmes that we feel will benefit our pupils. The final two years of education are probably the most important for many students' academic careers. The Student Mentoring Programme provides students with a mentor from the outside world of work to encourage and assist them through this period.

The programme encourages the student to stay in school, promotes their self-esteem and develops their awareness of the workplace.



It's a dog's life!!!

Boo Boo Smith was born on the 3rd August 2007 she had 3 sisters and 2 older brothers. As she seemed the quietest little dog (she prefers being called "fur person", by the way) of the lot, she was chosen immediately. Like her owner, (some people maintain) she has a complex, deep personality that needs careful handling. Her diet is rich and varied chicken, beef, liver, wood, plastic and pine cones. Her brush with possible fame was short lived however as in two competitions we entered, we came last in **all** categories.... she went left when she was supposed to go right and decided to have a little sleep on top of the obstacles. Another embarrassing moment was getting stuck in the neighbours cat-flap. All that could be seen of Boo were little back legs and a tail. The indignation of it all! Her wardrobe is expensive.... **17** coats, **10** T-shirts, **10** jumpers and **2** pyjamas (sorry Boo!). Although Boo has attended the De La Salle for 3 years, she is not *quite* ready for the Junior Cert, preferring to spend her time running along the beach or in the mountains, eating, sleeping and don't forget praying – yes, she goes to mass every Sunday.... "Just let me have one cat please."



School Completion Programme

The School Completion Programme sponsors the following programmes in the school either directly or with the provision of equipment:

Absenteeism Tracking

A text is sent home to parents when their child is absent from school without permission. SCP funds the cost of our text system.

After School Club

This club runs every Monday and Wednesday for 1 hr 30 mins. Pupils can play pool, air-hockey, fooze-ball and play-station in a supervised setting. Emphasis is put on social skills and fair play.

Art Club

Pupils explore the different art techniques under the guidance of the art teacher. This club runs on Monday afternoons from 4.10 - 5.30 pm.

Breakfast Club

Provides a warm breakfast in supervised surroundings for those who wish to partake. The breakfast club runs every morning from 8.30 - 8.55 am.

Cooking for Fun

Junior students cook easy and fun dishes. This runs on Tuesdays 4.15-5.30 pm.

Curriculum Support

3rd and 6th Year pupils who are not reaching their potential despite working hard in and out of class are targeted for extra tuition.

Fitness Club

The school fitness centre is open to all pupils from 3.30-5.00pm.

High Interest Books

Finance is provided to purchase high interest books for the Learning Support & Resource Department.

Indoor Football

Junior pupils take part in 5-a-side football on Thursday afternoons from 3.30 -5.00pm

Rock School

Pupils learn the basics of guitar, bass, drums and keyboards. This club runs on Thursdays from 3.30 - 5.00 pm

St. John's Education Centre

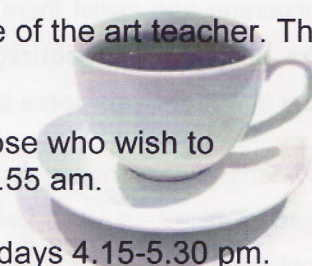
The SCP funds the cost of this programme for the school. (For further information see our web page).

Student Mentoring

Senior students, mainly transition years, act as mentors for first years, helping them settle into school life. Mentor training involves leadership, team-building and responsibility. All mentor activities are sponsored by the SCP. (For more information on this programme see our relevant web page).

Transition Year

The SCP gives financial support to enable all students take part in the more expensive activities associated with this year.



Sport

U18 Boys Soccer

The U18s got through to the quarter finals of the Leinster cup where they were narrowly beaten by Tempogue. They also qualified from their group in the North Dublin league and got through to the quarter finals in that also where they were defeated by Collinstown. They performed very well all year winning 6 out of 8 games played. Lee Bishop, Dean Mason, Kevin Kavanagh Dunne, Adam Currivan and Stephen Payne Lyons from sixth year all deserve a special mention. In fifth year Kenneth Cummins and Glen Conroy performed very well all year.

U16 Boys Soccer

Versus: St. Finians, Swords **Result: Drew 3-3**

2-0 down at half time but fought back to earn a well deserved point and could possibly have gone on to win the match. Goals were scored by Luke Coates, Barry Davies and the very impressive Stephen Dolan. Best on the day were Craig Griffiths, Glen Radely, Stephen Dolan and Barry Davies.

Versus: Rosmini **Result: Won 3-1**

Ardscoil got off to an excellent start in this game, leading 2-0 after 15 minutes with 2 goals from Cian Lenihan. Rosmini fought their way back into the game with a well worked goal but Luke Coates rounded off an excellent performance with a neat finish to give the Della the win. Best on the day were Colm Smith, Luke Coates, Sam Woolhead and Craig Rafferty.

Versus: St Josephs, Fairview **Result: Won 5-2**

This was the U16s most impressive victory of the year so far. It was an excellent team performance from all who played. After being under a lot of pressure for the whole of the first half the Della led 2-0 at half time with the goals coming from Luke Coates and Cian Lenihan. In the second half two further goals from Luke Coates and a splendid free kick from Barry Davies ensured the win.

Best on the day were James Culleton, Mattie Meehan, Colin Sheeran, Barry Davies, Luke Coates and Cian Lenihan.

Dean Mason:

Congratulations to Dean Mason (6th Year) who was part of the victorious Leinster schools' team that won the inter-provincial schools competition held in Athlone in October. Dean represented the school remarkably well performing to a very high standard and has since attended trials for the Irish schools' team. Well done Dean and keep up the good work.

Ladies Soccer

The girls have been training every Wednesday in the PE hall. This year we are delighted to have lots of new members and beginners taking part in training. We are continuing to recruit new members so all ladies interested are welcome to join us anytime.

New School Fitness Centre Opened

The long awaited school fitness centre opened to pupils and staff alike on March 1st. The centre is available for use by students every Thursday after school from 3.30 - 5.00pm. We look forward to seeing many fit and healthy pupils in the school.

Anatomy and Sports Workshop

Three of our TY students were chosen to participate in an anatomy and sports workshop at TCD Erica Eichelberger, Ian Reynolds and Karlin Hamilton were the lucky Transition Years on this occasion. This event was run by the Trinity Access Programme. All involved had a great time.

Table Tennis

First Year

This team included: Conor Reilly, Jack Gillanders, Karl Hatton, Daniel Murphy, James O'Doherty and Shane Carr. This team trained very hard and won their first league match 6-0.

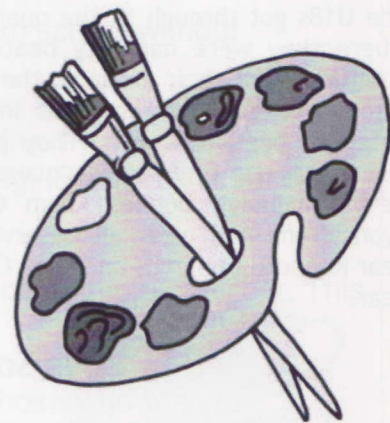
Senior Team U18's League

This team included: David Bernes, David Noonan, Emmet Doyle and Darren Brabazon. The boys won 2 out of three games, with a convincing 5-1 victory against CCC.



Creative Engagement

Ardscoil La Salle participated in Creative Engagement, a project organised by the National Association of Principals and Deputy Principals (NAPD). This project received a grant to run a number of workshops and Art teacher Ms. Higgins was the co-ordinator. Students were involved in several workshops including Batik, Graphic Art, Filming, Photography and Sound Engineering. These workshops were facilitated by outside artists and professionals in the field. The school was opened up to pupils and their parents in the evening and a warm reception greeted them, including tea, coffee and biscuits. An Art Exhibition displayed artworks from all year groups and prizes were awarded.



Winners

The winners were: **1st Year**-Sean Plummer, Cynthia Wapa and Shauna Walsh, **2nd Year**-Calvin Ryan and Dylan Byrne, **3rd Year**-Dianne Murphy and Amy O' Sullivan, **TY**-Stephen Smith, **5th Year**-Sam Woolhead, Sean Smith and Emily Gilligan, **6th Year**-Megan Lee and Sean Cummins.



Shauna Walsh

Sean Plummer

Mural

The mural produced by 6th year students was based on positive phrases leading on from a gallery visit to see the work of the graphic artist Maser, who then came to work with the student for two days in school. The exhibition 'They are us' displayed recent work done by Maser and Damien Dempsey and aimed to raised money for a new medical van for the Dublin Simon Community with which they were successful in raising almost €30,000. The work can be seen on www.theyareus.ie.



Some Babies! Our Sixth Years

Guess Who? The names are at the bottom of this page!



1. Chillin with Barney



2. Bonnie Baby



3. Ahh this is the life



4. Wanna bit?



5. Pretty in Pink



6. Prince Charming



7. Stand back, I got this



8. Smileee



9. Peek-A-Boo



10. What a cute Bucko!



11. Tongues out!



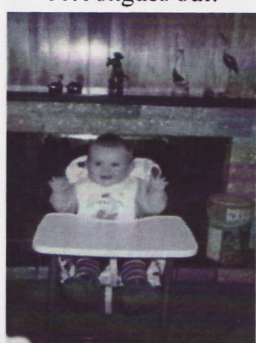
12. You talking to me?



13. Press-up time



14. Scrub-a-dub-dub



15. Where is dinner?



16. Like my hair do?

1. Adam Currivan 2. Aisling Carroll 3. Carla McGrath 4. Cathal McCarthy 5. Ciara Bregazzi 6. Conor O'Brien 7. Emmet Doyle
8. David Noonan 9. Eric Dillion 10. Christopher Buckley 11. Eva Daly 12. Lee Bishop 13. John Kennedy 14. Glen Smith
15. Gerard McShane 16. Josh Wrench



Some Babies! Our Sixth Years

Guess Who? The names are at the bottom of this page!



17. Giddy up!



18. Smiles all round ☺



19. What a star



20. Lets go surfing



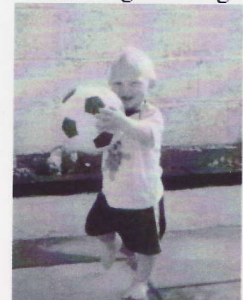
21. Time for Din-Dins



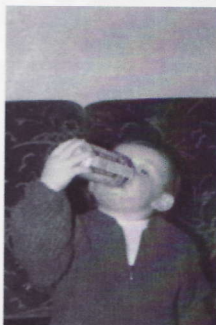
22. Cheeseee



23. Off to school



24. Its my ball!



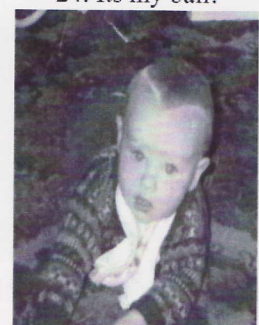
25. This tastes funny



26. Who likes my bag?



27. A real live princess



28. Can I have that?



29. More please!



30. Are you serious?



31. Ready for take-off!



32. What a cutie!

17. Orlagh Fitzpatrick 18. John McNally 19. Lee Gibson 20. Ruairi Halissey 21. Leanne Kiernan 22. Leanne Fitzgerald
23. Kevin Lee 24. Kevin Kavanagh Dunne 25. Keith Keatley 26. Niamh Fagan 27. Megan Hickey 28. Lee Gilroy 29. Paul Byrne
30. Rebecca Murphy 31. Rachel McMahon 32. Ross Byrne

Some Babies! Our Sixth Years

Guess Who? The names are at the bottom of this page!



33. Yodel-ay-ee-oo



34. Gangstaaa



35. Do I know you?



36. Did I win?



37. I can't hear you ☺



38. Off to the park



39. Group hug!



40. My first speech ☺



41. Jacuzzi time!



42. Check out my ride



43. Clap Handies



44. Help! Let me out!



45. Early talent



46. Here's lookin at you kid!



47. This tastes funny!



48. I'm your guy

33. Ryan Daly 34. Sam Dempsey 35. Seán Barrett Byrne 36. Sean Keogh 37. Shane Gilroy 38. Shauna Kenny 39. Siobhan Scanlon 40. Stephen Hatton 41. Steven Payne Lyons 42. Timmy Kelly 43. Aisling Farrell 44. Paul Gallagher 45. Craig Ronan 46. Daniel Trimble 47. David Bernes 48. Evan Carmody



Some Babies! Our Sixth Years

Guess Who? The names are at the bottom of these pictures!



49. Let's go swimmin'



50. I'm not sure about this



51. Two rays of sunshine



52. I need sunnies!



53. Let's go party!



54. Break time



55. I love school!

49. Lauren Conroy 50. Graeme Mulhall 51. Shauna Quinn 52. Sean Cummins 53. Dean Mason 54. Megan Lee 55. Nicole Wood

Love Yourself Today



Sixth Year Gallery visit Day

The Sixth Year Art class went on a Gallery visit with Art teacher Ms Higgins and they were also accompanied by Ms McCabe. They went to the Hugh Lane Gallery, Parnell Square to see the Francis Bacon Exhibition, a small temporary exhibition space to see a Dublin Graphic Artist called 'Maser' and finally Collins Barracks to see the Irish High Cross replicas. The highlight of the day was the 'Maser' exhibition where the students had a chance to meet the artist and discuss his work. The murals which have popped up around Dublin city are aimed at creating a positive outlook on life in these challenging times. The sale of photographs and screen prints was to raise funds for a medical van for the Dublin Simon Community. One of the messages of the campaign was "Love yourself today."

GUESS WHO?

Can you work out which photograph goes with which member of staff? Study the list below. Put your answers on a page with your name on it and hand these in before June 1st and you are in with the chance of winning €20!

WIN WIN WIN!!



1. Sporty



2. Good singer



3. Don't mess with me!



4. Baby staff



5. Is maith liom Gaeilge



6. Is maith liom Gaeilge



7. Resourceful



8. "You owe me 15 homeworks!"



9. "Page 4!!!"



10. Loves History!
(Middle girl!)



11. Full of 'Glee'



12. Makes the best
hot chocolate!



13. Creative

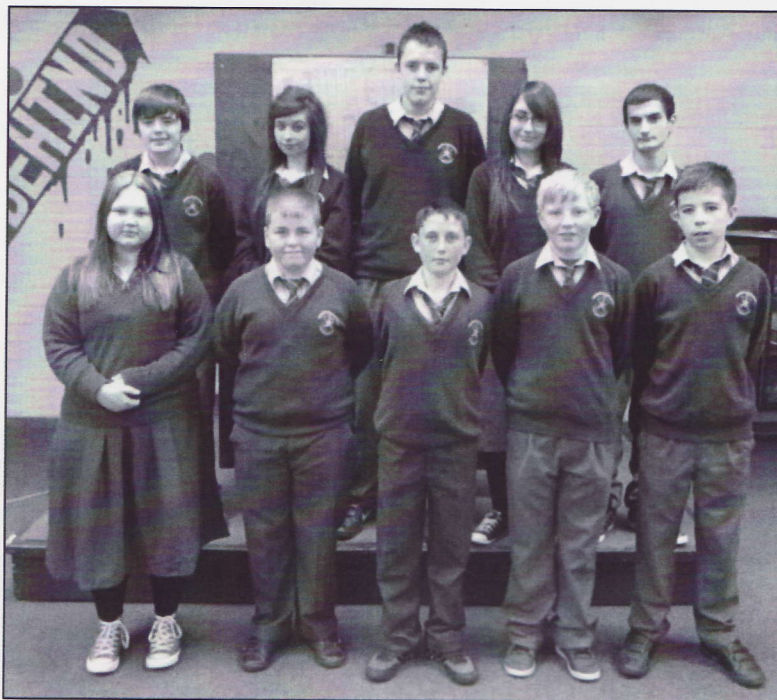


14. Good with numbers

Mr.Brennan, Ms.Higgins, Ms.Hackett, Ms.Baird, Ms.McCabe, Ms.McMahon, Mr.Montague, Ms.Cooper, Mr.Noonan, Ms.McGovern, Ms.Ni Raghallaigh, Ms.Denim, Ms.Colley, Mr.O'Grady.



Student Council



Back Row: Adam Cooney, Amy Woods, Ben Daly, Molly Woods and Fazil Veliyev.

Front Row: Megan Carpenter, Craig Connor, Conor Leach, Eamonn White, Joshua McDonnell.

Congratulations to the newly Student Council that will give students in Ardscoil La Salle both a voice and a chance to organise events and activities to make the school a fun and interesting place to go to every day. The election happened on the 5th of May and a representative was elected from each class. The Council will give its members a chance to use and develop important life skills such as communication, organisation, teamwork, leadership and running meetings.

The Student Council can do lots of good work for student welfare by running mentoring programmes for junior pupils and setting up an anti-bullying committee. It can also organise events to raise money for charity and use the energy and creativity of students to help good causes. Students on the Council will get the opportunity to organise competitions, quizzes, lunch time games and clubs and other fun events. Students will also get the chance to run a newsletter that celebrates students' achievements both inside and outside of school.

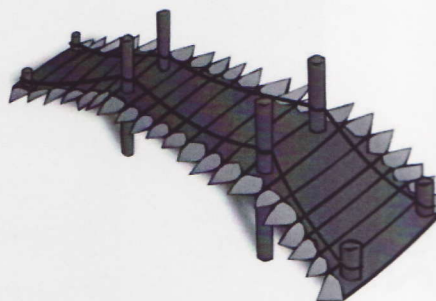
The newly elected members of the Council will have their first meeting in the week after the election with the Student Council Liason Teacher Mr. McElhinney. It will elect its officers and come up with a plan of activity for the next school year and send this plan to the Board of Management. Everybody in the school is looking forward to all the good work that the new Student Council will get up to from next year.

Trinity Access Programme

Bridge to College

By Louise Daly and Sinéad Leonard, Transition Year

Sixteen TY students were invited to Trinity College to participate in the 'Bridge To College' Course. On the first assignment the groups went around the campus asking the students lots of questions. Later we uploaded the interviews onto the computer and made a small movie and presented it to the class. The second day each group uploaded our video to the blog and learned about how to brainstorm properly. Each group was told to make a gadget that might be invented in 2045. One group made a time machine! We put it all into a video and showed it to the class at the end of the day. On the third day we did a workshop on what problems teenagers have while another group did alcohol and drugs and how the person overcomes there problems. Later we were brought back to Trinity College to an award ceremony. Each student received a certificate, including: Ciarán Cordial , Shannon O'Shea, Amy Woods, Louise Daly, Sinead Leonard, Erica Eichelberger, Niamh McEvoy, Karlin Hamilton , Dale Twomey, Kim Carroll, Jade Connor, Stephen Smith, Denis Samoila and Ross O'Rourke.



Trinity Shadowing Day

By Shauna Halloran

On February 15th, a group of 5th year students took part in a 'Shadowing Day' at Trinity College Dublin. Each student was paired with a senior college student on a course which each 5th year was interested in. We were then shown around campus and allowed to attend lectures and classes and experience the atmosphere of college life. The day was extremely enjoyable for all involved and ultimately beneficial for the 5th years who took part as it gave us a look at what life may be like for us after we leave Ardscoil La Salle. This visit was organised as part of the Trinity Access Programme which Ardscoil La Salle participates in, and I benefitted enormously from speaking with a Drama student for the day.



Our Sixth Years 2010 – 2011



