



Senior Ladies Football Team Win Munster

Cashel Community School 3:8 Ursuline Thurles 2:5

CCS claimed their first Senior Ladies Football title having only entered a team for the first time four years ago. Both Cashel and the Ursuline had superb wins against Cork opposition in their Munster semi finals to reach the final. Kate Gayson Molloy opened the scoring for Cashel with a superb point against the wind but the Ursuline hit back with two points. Cashel got the first score of the second half from Sarah Delaney, before the Ursuline hit back with a goal following a superb initial block from Cashel full back Katelyn Fleming. The Ursuline were on top, even though they were playing against the wind but Cashel showed great determination and resilience to keep their attacks at bay. Sarah Delaney then added a point to the Cashel scoreboard and with just over ten minutes to play, Cashel were ahead by two points so it was all to play for. The final whistle blew to the relief of the Cashel supporters and history was made. Katelyn Fleming as team captain accepted the cup on behalf of her teammates. Cashel had superb performances from all fifteen players who started and the three subs used added energy and fresh legs when required. It would be wrong to single out any individual, even if Caoimhe Perdue, who was outstanding, received player of the match. This could have been given to numerous players on the day. Cashel now look forward to an All-Ireland semi final against the Leinster champions.



CCS student hits the right note at Limerick Féile

David Barnett, a fifth year student in Cashel Community School competed in Limerick's Féile on the 1st of February last. He won first prize in the senior French Horn competition at the age of just seventeen. His repertoire on the night comprised two pieces, Mozart's Horn Concerto No.3 and Bozza's En Irlande. David started playing the French Horn five years ago and quickly proved himself to be a very talented musician. He studies with Liam Daly and he hopes to study music in the Cork School of Music. He plays with the school orchestra, most recently for the production of 'Beauty and the Beast'. He is studying Music for the Leaving Certificate in 2019. In addition he is a member of Banna Cluain Meala-where his talent was originally nurtured. We look forward to further accolades as he continues to hone his talent.



CCS Senior Hurlers book Munster Final Spot

CCS qualified for this year's Munster Post Primary Schools Senior B Hurling final, after edging past Bandon in St Ita's GAA pitch near Youghal. While Cashel started well, it was not reflected on the scoreboard after 20 mins, with only 3 points to 2 lead. The Tipp school found the swirling nature of the wind difficult and clocked up seven wides, many from long range. However, as half time approached Mossy Skeffington scored the first point from play in the game and a minute later scored a vital goal after a brilliant pass from Ross Bonnar, leaving Cashel ahead at half time 1-5 to Bandon's 0-2. On the resumption Bandon immediately went after Cashel's lead and scored the first three points of the half, leaving only three between the sides. Against the strengthening wind, the Tipperary school rallied again with Ross Bonnar netting and Colm Moloney immediately adding a free for Cashel.



Bandon, who competed in the Harty Cup last year, responded with the next 6 points to level the score at 2-06 to 0-12 with ten minutes left. Cashel showed heart and desire from here to the finish, taking a one point lead twice, only for Bandon to equalise. With time up Cashel attacked again winning a close in free, with Colm Moloney holding his nerve to score his 5th free of the game. Bandon had a number of minutes of injury time to get an equaliser but the Cashel defence held strong. There were scenes of great joy for Cashel and utter devastation for Bandon when the final whistle blew.

CCS qualify for Munster Senior Soccer Cup Semi-Final

Cashel Community School met St. Caimin's of Shannon in the quarter final of the Munster Senior Cup in Anacotty. In an evenly fought first half, the Shannonsiders took the lead on 40 minutes when their centre forward got inside the Cashel cover to finish calmly to the net.

After the interval, Cashel changed their formation and started to dominate. They were rewarded after 60 minutes when a cross by Jak Hays was finished to the net by Dean Harding. St. Caimin's got a goal and took the lead again. Cashel responded with two more goals by Cian Bargary and Riain Quigley respectively. Cashel are through to the Munster Senior Cup semi-final where they will meet Mount Sion of Waterford in W.I.T.



Gaisce awards - Silver Medals

Gaisce, the President's award, is a self-development programme that encourages young people to find their passion, get active and make a difference in their community. It is a direct challenge from the President of Ireland to young people, to dream big and realise their potential. There are three levels of Gaisce awards: bronze, silver and gold. Current sixth year students Chelsea Kenny, Stephen Foley and Lorna Hoare recently received a silver medal each. The awards ceremony took place in The Source Arts Theatre. MC on the night was Tipp FM's Owen Lonergan and the inspirational guest speaker was Niall Scannell, Munster and Ireland Rugby player. The Silver Gaisce Award challenges students to step outside their comfort zone and get involved in their community, get physically fitter, develop their personal skills and partake in a venture journey. This year our Silver Awardees travelled to Ballymacarbry in Co. Waterford where they trekked for 50km over three days. We are very proud of our students' achievements. Our awardees are now determined to continue their Gaisce journey and some have already begun their journey to their Gold Award.



Cashel C.S. bow out of Munster final with a stylish and committed display

On Saturday 17th February Cashel Community School's senior hurlers played in the final of the Thomais MhicCholm cup. Having beaten Bandon by that slimmest of margins the lone point, it was their fate to lose by that elusive point to a Mitchelstown team. A massive turnout of support from staff, families and friends watched from the sidelines as Cashel matched Mitchelstown CBS play for play throughout the match. Cashel's Eoghan Connolly was 'man of the match'- an indication of just how close this game was. Cashel scored 19 times, a remarkable tally. It was very gratifying to witness such a spirited display which had been forged by a huge amount of training and commitment.

Having congratulated the victors the Cashel team regrouped and returned to the school later that afternoon. Speaking at a reception to honour their achievement the Principal, John Gallagher thanked the team and paid tribute to their coaches Brendan Ryan, Anthony Roche and Donal O'Dwyer. Mr. Gallagher thanked the parents and supporters who consistently brought players to training sessions even during the Christmas holidays and early mornings before school started.

The school is hugely proud of their achievement and we look forward to further success next year.



CCS in Junior Camogie Munster Final

Our Junior Camogie team made the trip to Dungourney outside Midleton to face St. Marys Midleton in the Munster Junior Camogie Final. Facing a formidable opponent which included fifteen members of last year's beaten Munster finalists, a young Cashel team was always going to be up against it. However the CCS team displayed a fighting spirit and a maturity well beyond their years.

On the day CCS came off second best to a very skillful and experienced Midleton team. Of the CCS team that took to the field, thirteen are eligible to play in the same grade next year. Their gutsy performance, and their willingness to improve augur well for the future.

Credit goes to the full panel of players as well as their coaches Ms. Ruth Barry and Mr. Trevor Galvin.

