

Cashel Community School

Newsletter March 2018



Senior Boys Choir Success

The Senior Boys choir of CCS travelled to Co. Cork for the Feis Maitiu competition. They sang two songs – *Riu Riu Chiu*, a 16th Century Spanish piece arranged by Michael McGlynn and *Poor Wayfaring Stranger*, a Traditional Spiritual piece arranged by Victor C. Johnson. The boys sang very well and took home *The Cash's of Cork Perpetual Trophy*, thereby retaining the award which was won by the CCS Senior Girls' choir in 2017.



Front L-R: Eoghan Tegerdine, Adam Skeffington, Ciaran McKenna, Elio Bonelli

Second row L-R: Richie Crowe, Alex Maksimavs, Eoin Foley

Back L-R: Ms Bradley, James O'Sullivan, Ben Keating Hogan,

CCS Senior Choir Success

On Friday the 9th of March 2018, Cashel Community School's Senior Choir travelled to Limerick for the Limerick Choral Festival's Post-Primary Mixed Voices competition in The Redemptorist's Church.

They sang two contrasting pieces. The first was *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* written by Thomas A. Dorsey. The second piece the choir performed was *White Winter Hymnal* written by Robin Pecknold and arranged by Michaela Maher.

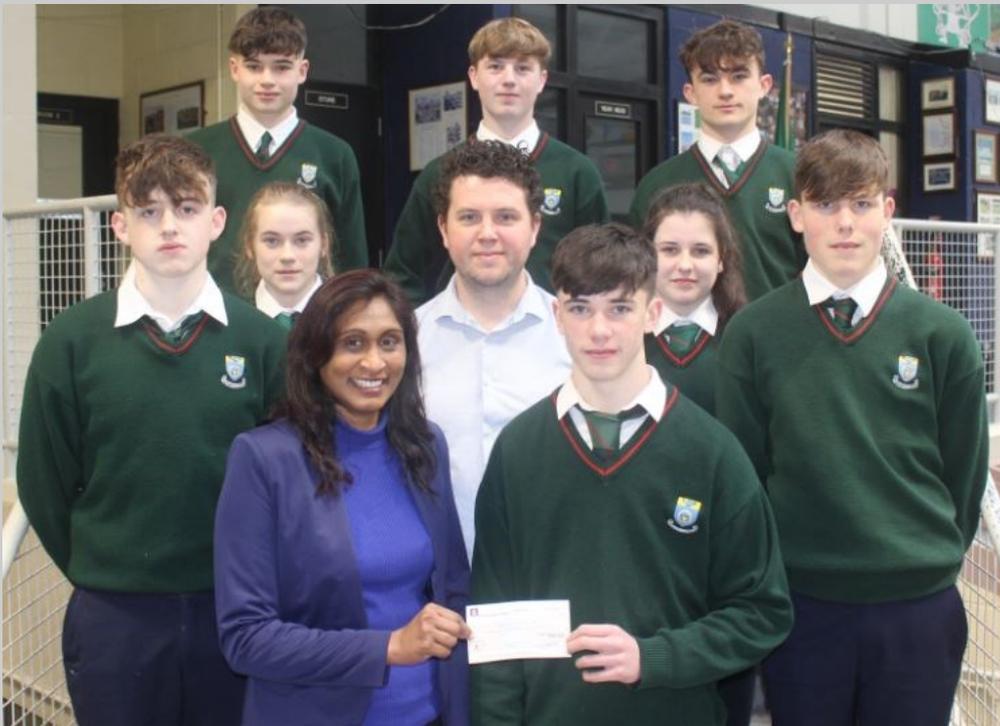
The choir sang against schools from Connaught and Leinster. Well done to all involved. This is the CCS Senior Choir's sixth time taking first place in this competition.

Congratulations to the choir and their music teacher Ms Liane Bradley.



TY Donation to South Tipp Hospice

Transition Year Students from the woodwork project class present a cheque to South Tipperary Hospice. The group made and sold personalised Christmas decorations to raise the funds for the hospice which was their chosen charity.



TY students and Mr. Des O'Connor (Woodwork Teacher) presenting a cheque to Ms. Sinaida Jansen (South Tipperary hospice) in CCS.

Enterprise Day

Cashel Community School's first year Business Studies pupils participated in an Enterprise competition in association with event sponsor, Bank of Ireland.

First Year pupils worked in teams to research local businesses and to present their findings to their peers and teachers.

The school was delighted to welcome Tipperary senior hurler Seamus Callanan to present the prizes and address the pupils. Seamus complimented the pupils on their teamwork, research and presentation skills. John Cooney of Bank of Ireland also commended Cashel CS on the excellent outreach work to local businesses and how they are embracing their call to citizenship in their local area.



Left to Right: Seamus Callanan (Tipperary Hurler), Micheál Hassett, Claire Whelan, Deirdre Reddan (Business Teachers CCS), Ruby Doherty, Ellen Butler, John Cooney (Bank of Ireland), John Murray (Deputy Principal CCS)

Winning Teams

Ruby Doherty and Ellen Butler - Rossa Pottery

Dean Mulcaire, Ellie Butler, James O' Sullivan, Aoibheann Ryan - Paul Ryan Tree Surgery

Ciara Fleming, Alice Fleming and Mikaela Lawrence - Dundrum Nurseries

International Women's Day

Transition Year students in Cashel Community School celebrated International Women's Day on Thursday the 8th of March. The students wanted to mark this day in conjunction with the celebration of the *centenary of women's suffrage and representation in Parliament*. Inspiring posters were displayed in the female bathrooms and a display board celebrating inspirational women reminded students of the great achievements of women such as Mary Robinson, Veronica Guerin and Adi Roche. A panel of female speakers were invited to talk to the students. Students dressed up as suffragettes to mark the struggle and sacrifices involved in achieving the right to vote. Topics such as resilience, self-compassion and ambition were discussed, the panel also shared with the students the advice they found most useful on their life journey, some of the challenges they met along the way and they also shared their quotes from their favourite authors. Students were reminded that with hard work, ambition and a little luck anything is possible. Students were left uplifted after this day of celebration and the panel were thanked for giving their time to inspire the students.



CCS TY Students Bóthar Project

There was great excitement as students in CCS welcomed local farmer and past student Raymond Vere Hunt with a calf for their Bóthar project. The local farmer donated the cow when he learned about the Transition Year project .

The calf was then transported to Shelton Abbey prison as part of the prison's restorative justice programme. The prisoners who will hand-rear the calf get a sense of responsibility and a sense of what it is to do good, which is as important as part of their rehabilitation. Bóthar representative Pat Mullins told the students about his experiences in Rwanda and reminded students to be grateful for everything they have. In September 2020 the students hope to visit the prison to see their cow before she flies out to Rwanda .This cow will become a lifesaving hero in Rwanda as it will produce twenty times more milk than a local cow.

The students still need to raise money to cover training & preparation of a Rwanda family to receive the animal, transportation of the animal & full veterinary back up .



Munster League Win for CCS

On Wednesday 21st of March, our Senior Camogie girls, captained by Ciara Moloney, took to the field in Leahy Park Cashel, for their last game of the year, the Munster League Final against St Augustine's of Waterford.

Cashel got off to a flying start with Caoimhe Perdue and Aine O'Dwyer showing their experience in mid field and Sorcha Ryan very strong in defence at centre back. The physicality of the game was relentless as the girls from both sides battled hard to get the upper hand. Cashel came out on top by half time, thanks to goals from Leah Baskin and Aoife Linehan who had worked tirelessly in the half forward line, the score line reading 2-6 to 1-5 at half time.

The second half was riveting to watch, with both Cashel and St Augustine's picking off some incredible scores. The gap was reduced to a goal for a large part of the second half but the Cashel girls held on for a win.

The final score, Cashel Community School 3-12 St. Augustine's Dungarvan 2-10



MEP Visits CCS

Liadh Ni Riada Ireland South MEP recently visited Cashel Community School to address our sixth year Business, Economics and Accounting students about the European Union. She was accompanied by local Tipperary County Councillor Martin Browne.

She dealt with areas such as EU policies, how EU laws are created and the overall impact of the EU on Ireland since we joined in 1973. Liadh also received lots of questions about the implications of Brexit on the EU as a whole and more importantly how it will impact the island of Ireland.



Back Row: Sean Ryan, Mr. Micheál Hassett (Business Teacher), Quentin Thompson,

Front Row: Matthew Hewitt, Jane Grogan, Liadh Ni Riada, Eimear Allison & Dearbhla Minogue

CCS TY Students Discover Franglais

Cashel Community School TY French students welcomed back past pupil Sinéad Magner to facilitate a workshop on Franglais – the rising trend of the use of English within the French language. It was a great honour for the school to have Sinéad to facilitate this workshop as she has excelled in her study of French since leaving the school in 2013.

Her accomplishments began in her undergraduate studies in Maynooth when she was awarded several prizes for her studies in French namely Maynooth University Prize for “Best final year dissertation”, French government Medal and NUI prize for “Proficiency in French” for her final year work and the Dr. H.H. Stewart “Literary Prize in French.” Her studies of English and French included a year attending university in France. At present Sinéad is completing an LLM in Gender, Conflict and Human Rights in Ulster University. Whilst in Cashel Community School Sinéad was taught by Ms Lisa Williams.

Her workshop focused on the use of Franglais and how the French are now borrowing words from social media and fashion in English and integrating them into modern day French.



CCS Trip To Amneal

A group of fifth year Engineering students enjoyed a very informative trip to Amneal Pharmaceutical plant in Cashel. Coordinated by the plant manager Mr. Gearoid McDermott the students were given a tour of the plant and shown the assembly lines for making the inhalers. Students also received a detailed account of what happens at the plant and were guided in the direction of career opportunities and further areas of study. The students found it highly beneficial and the school hopes to further the connection with the company by linking up with them for Engineering projects and further visits.



Junk Kouture Finalists

CCS entered a number of outfits for this year's Junk Kouture competition. We are delighted that one of our designs, entitled 'Curtain Call' has reached the regional final, out of over 500 entries. The group of designers is comprised of Sinéad Furlong, Zoe Heffernan, and the ensemble is modelled by Aoife Linehan. The outfit was created using discarded curtain poles, rings, a broken mirror and a tie back.

