

# OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY



## Cashel Community School Prospectus 2021 - 2022

[www.cashelcommunityschool.ie](http://www.cashelcommunityschool.ie)

“Fostering high expectations and positive engagement in learning among students”

Department of Education and Skills - WSE Report 2015





**"A snapshot of what our school can offer your child."**



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## Mission Statement

In valuing the rich traditions on which the school is founded, Cashel Community School caters for diversity, embraces change, promotes mutual respect and partnership through a broad range of learning opportunities which nurture the development of responsible young adults.

## Co-Educational School

- Broad range of subjects up to Leaving Certificate
- Excellent academic record
- Excellent range of sports and cultural activities



The school will commence accepting applications for admission to 1st year/ASD Classroom	9/11/2020
The school shall cease accepting applications for admission	30/11/2020
The date by which applicants will be notified of the decision on their application for admission	17/12/20
Applicants must confirm acceptance of an offer of admission by	15/01/2021

Note: the school will consider and issue decisions on late applications in accordance with the school's admission policy. Policy available at [www.cashelcommunityschool.ie](http://www.cashelcommunityschool.ie)

## Message from the Principal

At Cashel Community School, we value each student as an individual and as part of a community. We seek to develop all aspects of their personhood and are committed to providing students with an educational experience that will develop every aspect of their being to their fullest potential through student-centred, values-based education.

Students of Cashel Community School can access a rapidly expanding curriculum from which they may choose a wide variety of subjects, both practical and academic, delivered by a dedicated and highly motivated staff. We offer an extensive range of subjects for both the junior and senior education cycles with the widest possible range of extra-curricular activities available for students.

The school boasts a range of facilities that includes computer rooms, IT supported classrooms, science laboratories, music department, art studios, technical workshops, equipped gymnasium, sports playing courts and pitches.

Pastoral Care is an integral part of the holistic education offered in the school and is catered for through a structured Peer Support System, Tutors, the Chaplaincy, Guidance Counselling and Learning Support Education, together with well-established discipline structures, thereby ensuring all students have the opportunity to learn, grow and develop in a safe and caring environment.

Since the amalgamation of the three second level schools in Cashel in 1994, Cashel Community School has been at the core of the life of the community and education in Cashel and surrounding areas. The school has fused the best traditions of the three amalgamated schools and has embarked on building a history all of its own. The exceptional achievements of our students in both the Junior Certificate and Leaving Certificate ensure that Cashel Community School has established an outstanding academic record which has facilitated our students progress to virtually every faculty in a variety of third level colleges. I invite you to become part of this history and together we can foster and enhance a reputation for excellence in the fullest meaning of education.

John Gallagher (Principal)



## Message from the Deputy Principals

Community schools combine the academic style education of the traditional Secondary School and the practically orientated programme of the Vocational School. In Cashel Community School we are enormously proud of our academic and extra-curricular programmes. We foster the individuality of each student within a very caring school community.

Our pastoral care programme provides a strong support network to our students and their parents. We foster relationships between staff and students which are respectful and we implement a Code of Behaviour, (agreed by all partners in the school community) which supports teaching and learning within a caring and safe environment.

"Enthusiasm" is synonymous with all our activities, curricular and extra-curricular. We are enormously proud of our reputation as an innovative, happy school.

We look forward to welcoming you into our community and to working with you as your child makes the transition to secondary school. We work closely with our feeder schools to ensure that your child is comfortable and happy with this new stage in life. Please contact us at any time if we can be of any assistance to you.

Margaret Moore & John Murray  
(Deputy Principals)



## Assistant Principals

### Year Heads

1st Year	Mr T Galvin
2nd Year	Mr TJ Quinn
3rd Year	Mr C. Farrell
Transition Year	Ms M. Neavyn
5th Year	Ms E. Kirwan
6th Year	Mr. J O'Neill

### Coordinators

Adult Education	Mr M. Cusack
Evening Study	Ms N. Sheils
Transition Year	Ms. Maria Neavyn

**Virtual  
Open Night  
Mon 9th  
November  
7.30pm**

Further information from the Principal  
062 61167 / 61026  
[www.cashelcommunityschool.ie](http://www.cashelcommunityschool.ie)



# Enjoyment in Achievement

## The Addams Family

"Each year since its foundation the school has prepared and performed a musical. Such activities require careful planning and a great deal of behind the scenes effort from the teachers and stage-hands involved, as well as those who perform on the stage. This is evident from the fact that the staging of the recent show involved the efforts of over a hundred students." WSE Report

## Leaving Certificate 2020, High Achievers, Third Level Courses

- Jennifer Fogarty.....Medicine, UCD
- Eoin Foley.....Veterinary, UCD
- Elma Casey.....Business, UL
- Aoife Lenihan.....PE & Maths, UCC
- Jack Currivan.....Physiotherapy, UL
- Aisling Lonergan.....Medicine, UCC
- Ciara Croke.....Nutritional Sciences, UCC
- Mairead McCarthy.....Pharmacy, Deferred
- Sophie O Shea.....Accounting, UCC
- Joe Fitzgerald.....Physics & Astrophysics, UCC
- Fiona McGrath.....Pharmacy, Queens Uni
- Ava Ryan.....Radiography, UCD
- Marjorie De Castro.....Biological Sciences, UCC
- Claire Delaney.....Primary Teaching, MIC
- Catherine Brzezinska.....Games Development, LIT
- Zak Flanagan.....Mathematics, UL
- Grace O Dwyer.....Commerce, UCC
- Aine Reade.....Law, UCC
- Megan O Donnell.....Primary Teaching, MIC
- Zoe Heffernan.....Computing & Philosophy, UCC
- Niall Quigley.....Primary Teaching, MIC
- Patrick Hickey.....Engineering & Technology Teaching, UL
- Paraic Brosnan.....Electrical Apprenticeship, ESB
- Sinead Furlong.....Science Teaching, UL
- Stephen Browne.....Construction Management, UL
- Elio Bonelli.....Journalism, TUD

## Academic Excellence 2020

Highest Leaving Certificate Results



Jennifer Fogarty Eoin Foley Aoife Lenihan



Jack Currivan Aisling Lonergan Joe Fitzgerald

## Student of the Year



Jennifer Fogarty



## Best Junior Certificate 2020



Artis Skietnieks , Aoibhe Quirke , Aoife White



Junior Cert Students 2019 with Year Head Ms. Emily Kirwan

"The core values of respect and support as well as pride in ones achievements are unchanged. I am lucky to be part of a teaching staff who genuinely care about their students and who go above and beyond to help them achieve their full personal potential"

Sinead Kelly past student and Maths Teacher in CCS

# Senior Cycle Programmes



## Leaving Certificate

Students follow a core of English, Irish, Maths, Computers, Religion, Careers and a choice of 4 option subjects. Students also have access to independent career advice from our three qualified Career Guidance Counsellors along with visits to careers exhibitions and college open days.



## Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme

Cashel Community School also provides students with the option of availing of an enhanced version of the existing Leaving Certificate known as the Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme (LCVP) which establishes links between school and society through modules on preparation for work and enterprise education. This allows them to add modules on Preparation for Work and Enterprise Education to their Leaving Certificate subjects.



"It has helped me become more innovative, creative and enterprising. It has really helped my confidence and communication skills"

- Molly McGrath

"Students worked very well independently, were well-focused on the task in hand and displayed a good awareness of their responsibility for their own learning"

DES - WSE Report 2015



## Transition Year

Transition Year is an extra year at Senior Cycle which allows the student to mature as a person, develop a wide range of skills and experience the adult world of work.

- Core subjects including MOS exams (Certified Microsoft exams) French/German
- Modules, including areas such as Engineering, Construction Studies, Home Economics, D.C.G, Music, Art.
- Work Experience (3 weeks)
- Community Involvement (subject to Vetting Rules)
- GAA Coaching Course
- GAISCE-The President's Award
- Workshops including Self Defence, Law, Mindfulness, Gaeilge, Humourfit!
- Musical
- Guest Speakers
- Outings which include, Young Scientist Exhibition, Ploughing Championships, French/German Film/Theatre
- Certificate in Basic First Aid
- TY Retreat
- Gym classes



## TY Project

Once again this year all TY students are involved in an ongoing and formal Project.

The projects are in the following 6 areas: Art, Young Social Innovators, Young Scientist Competition, GAA Future Leaders Course, Media Studies, Journalism.

Each student chose one area in September.

1. The Art group are working on a collaborative Mural, which will depict their perspective on the Covid -19 pandemic.
2. The Young Social Innovators group is hoping to create a sensory garden space to enhance student wellbeing. The students will think about how to include the 5 senses into their garden plan. Their project will be entered into the Regional heats of the Young Social Innovators Competition, and from there, possibly, to the Grand Final, which takes place in Dublin, in May.
3. The Young Scientist group will work, during the year, on a series of Projects of interest to them, with a view to entering this prestigious Competition in January 2022.
4. The GAA Future Leaders Course is in its third year. It aims to cultivate Leadership and Coaching Skills within the students participating, with a view to them actively helping out, in leadership roles, with their local Clubs and beyond going forward.
5. In the Media Studies class the students gain an understanding of character, setting and plot, in action films. Exploring camera angles, sound effects and the stereotypes associated with video games will follow.
6. The Journalism course will enable students to learn all about newspapers and the writing, analysis, preparation and photography that is involved in putting a newspaper together.

## Young Social Innovators (YSI)

Working in teams of five to 25, TY students identify a social issue of concern to them, explore it and come up with real actions and responses. YSI features regional and national events to which participants are invited. The programme is youth-led, team-based and action-focused.

Benefits of YSI

- Encourages and actively promotes the development of links between the school and local community
- Promotes a school ethos of care and holistic development of young people
- Promotes new opportunities for civic engagement amongst students.





# What the students say...

"You feel welcome in Cashel and no matter where you're from, you make friends in no time"

"It's great because I have made a lot of new friends"

"It's great fun because there are new people and new subjects"

"I like the new subjects that we get to try"

"I really like secondary school because you get to meet lots of new friends and experience lots of new subjects"

## First Year Induction & Links Programme



An induction day is held on the first day of each school year to provide incoming students with the opportunity to familiarise themselves with the school and its structures.



Senior students support our First Years through our Links programme. Sixth Years are matched with small groups and link with them informally as well as formally throughout the year.

## Home School Links

We believe very strongly that education must be based on close co-operation between parents and teachers. We have regular contact with parents through information evenings, parent teacher meetings, class masses and school reports.

By working in partnership we are ensuring that students reach their full potential so that they are prepared for life and are able to take their place in society.



Senior Student Council 2020/21

## Student Council

The Student Council has been functioning in Cashel Community School since 1997. The Council provides a forum for students to express their opinions and enables them to play a partnership role with the staff, Parents' Association and Board of Management.

This ensures that the students play a positive role in our school's decision making process. A member of staff is responsible for liaising

between Principal and Council. The Council meets on a regular basis and delegates report to their classes after every meeting.

The student council has been involved in organising various events such as the variety show and fundraising for local and national charities. Senior members co-ordinate the production of the 6th year Yearbook, the Class Mural and the Graduation night.



## Pastoral Care

- All members of management and staff exercise a caring role towards the students.
- Each class group is assigned a Class Tutor. This teacher regularly monitors the progress and welfare of each student. To assist with this there are scheduled pastoral care assemblies throughout the year.
- Each Year Head sees to the overall progress and welfare of his/her Year Group.
- The Career Guidance Counsellors and School Chaplain are always readily available to assist students who may need personal support.
- Students, of their own accord, can directly approach the Chaplain or Guidance Counsellors. In addition, parents/guardians, management and staff members may request support for a student. The Guidance Counsellors and Chaplain each have their own office where they meet with students individually.
- The School Chaplain gives students spiritual guidance.



## Literacy and Numeracy Initiative

As part of school self evaluation and school development students in first and second year are enthusiastically participating in 'Drop Everything and Read' programme and also in a 'Book in a Bag' programme. These programmes are redesigned to encourage reading for pleasure which will have a positive impact on students' progress in the education system.

## Learning Support Department

Cashel Community School provides a comprehensive Learning Support Service for pupils who have learning difficulties. The Department has five qualified Learning Support Teachers and eight Special Needs Assistants. Learning Support targets the needs of pupils based on their individual assessments providing support on an individual or small group basis.

## ASD Classroom

Cashel Community School in co-operation with the Department of Education and Skills operates a centre for students with Asperger Syndrome. Contact the Principal for further details.

# Curriculum

Cashel Community School provides a comprehensive range of programmes and subjects at Junior and Senior cycle. As a Community School we have a very broad range of subjects on offer, thereby expanding the range of career opportunities available to our students. Boys and girls have equal access to the full range of academic, business, scientific and technical subjects which are on offer.

## Junior Certificate / Junior Cycle

Gaeilge	English	Maths	Geography	Well Being
Science	French	German	Woodwork	Business Studies
Art	Music	History	Metalwork	Home Economics
C.S.P.E.	S.P.H.E.	Religion	Physical Education	Technical Graphics

## Leaving Certificate

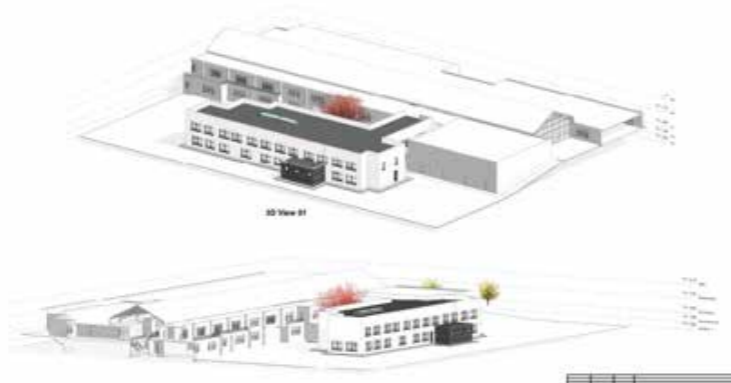
Gaeilge	English	Maths	Geography	Agricultural Science
Physics	French	German	Chemistry	Physical Education
Art	Music	History	Engineering	Home Economics
Accounting	Business	Biology	Religion	L.C.V.P.
Economics	Construction Studies	Career Guidance		
Design & Communication Graphics				

# Facilities

- Supervised Evening Study
- Active and supportive Parents' Association co-ordinates the Book Rental Scheme
- Dedicated staff involvement in extra-curricular activities
- Music Practice Rooms
- School tours to a variety of international destinations
- Sporting Facilities
- State of the art gym and equipment
- 5 modern dressing rooms with shower facilities
- Sports Hall for indoor games
- GAA field
- Soccer field
- Basketball/tennis courts
- Games room -board games, cards, etc.
- Camogie field
- Large outdoor play area

## Specialist Room Facilities

Art /Craft Rooms	Technical Graphics Room
Sports Hall	Computer Rooms
Music Room	Physics/Chemistry/Biology Laboratories
Language Laboratory	Home Economics Room/Kitchens
Prayer Room	Materials Technology/ Woodwork Rooms
Library	Fully equipped Design & Communication Graphics Room



# Cashel Community School major expansion unveiled

A Multi million euro development and investment by the Dept of ED and Skills has been welcomed by all trustees of Cashel Community School.

"We, as a school community are delighted by the opportunities that this will afford our students. We cater for diversity and offer a broad range of learning opportunities which nurture the development of responsible young adults". ( John Gallagher)

The programme of improvements provides for additional accommodation comprising four general classrooms, one specialised room, offices, two SEN Classrooms within a designated SEN suite and a garden. It also involves the reorientation of the GP area, stage and current staffroom into a multipurpose student area!!!



# Adult Education Programme

A comprehensive range of Adult Education courses are provided by Cashel Community School. Courses ranging from Hobbies, Computer, Language, Arts & Crafts, Personal & Professional Development are on offer. Courses commence in Autumn and Spring and take place on Monday and Tuesday nights.

Brochures and information about our courses can be obtained from Cashel Community School on 06261167, by email: casheladed@hotmail.com, in the local press and on our website www.cashelcommunityschool.ie

# Healthy Food Week



# CCS Scholarships

## The Meaney Scholarship

The Meaney Scholarship is funded from a bequest to the school from the late Patrick Meaney Esq. He was a local businessman and farmer who bequeathed the proceeds from the sale of his book collection to the school. We are profoundly grateful for this extraordinary philanthropic gesture and we are deeply appreciative of the opportunity it will afford students to pursue

their studies at third level. This scholarship will be awarded to student(s) of Cashel Community School who are studying in a National University of Ireland college. The winners of the Meaney Scholarship 2019 were Kieran Brown, Liam McGrath and James O Sullivan.

## Godolphin Bursary 2019



This bursary is open to all students at Cashel Community School who will sit the Leaving Certificate in June 2019. It will be awarded to a student who intends to continue full-time study at an institute of technology or university in Ireland, or at an equivalent institution overseas.

The recipient will receive a laptop computer along with €1,500 per year of third level study paid in two annual payments of €750 each.

It is a condition of the bursary award that recipients give a commitment to undertake a minimum of 100 hours of voluntary work per 12-month period for the duration of the bursary. Voluntary work can be undertaken with charities, community groups or sporting organisations. The 2019 winner of the Godolphin Scholarship was Emma Ryan



## Hurling Scholarship

The hurling scholarship is awarded to a hurler who displays characteristics such as leadership, being a team player, commitment to training and working hard academically. This scholarship will be an annual event and will reimburse the winner the costs of attending CCS as well as providing support to help this player to develop their skills. The Hurling Scholarship recipients for 2018 were – Oisín O’Donoghue and Ava Gayson Molloy.

## Soccer Scholarship

The Brian Boru Soccer Scholarships will be awarded to two students in first year.

The scholarship consists of a reimbursement of the costs incurred by a student in attending CCS and is therefore of considerable benefit to any family.

Congratulations Callum Butler Buckley and Molly Gilmartin, 2019 recipients



## Making Time for Others in CCS

This ageless statement epitomises the spirit of giving and the culture of Cashel Community School. Staff members voluntarily give generously of their time and energy to numerous school and charitable causes, both local and international, such as

- Syrian refugees
- My Canine Companion
- Nepal Earthquake
- Cuan Saor Women’s Refuge
- Pieta House
- Concern
- St. Vincent de Paul
- Aware
- Acquired Brain Injury Ireland
- Carol and Church Services in local churches

The spirit that is fostered throughout Cashel Community School not only provides much needed funds for the charities but develops and invigorates a social conscience and community spirit in our young adults.

“It is in giving that we receive”



Since 2002, students have raised €100,000 through the annual Concern Fast. In recognition of this achievement, Concern International took a group of students and staff to visit its health care, education and development projects in Kenya, in 2011.

Pride of place goes to the phenomenal success of the school’s involvement with the Niall Mellon house-building project in South Africa. In recent years the school has raised over €200,000 for the Niall Mellon Building Blitz. The school has also supported a number of fundraising activities for Pieta House including a Fun Run which raised over €13,000 in May 2013.

“My experience as a student in CCS was a positive one right throughout my six years here, and my experience as a teacher has not been any different so far. CCS has such a unique environment in that even with 800+ students in the school, students all know each other and mix with each other before school, at lunch times and after school.”

Pat Muldoon Past student and PE Teacher

## Where are they now?



Brendan O’Dwyer  
Pharmacy  
UCC



James O’Sullivan  
Physics & Astro Physics  
UCC



Kieran Browne  
Engineering  
NUIG



Liam McGrath  
Mathematical Sciences  
UCC



Karin Blair  
Mathematical Sciences  
UCC



Andrea Gherasim  
Psychology  
UCD



Sarah Delaney  
Radiography  
UCD



Aisling Gorey  
Bio Medical Science  
UCC



To date the school has developed and published, in consultation with parents, students, staff and Board of Management the following policies: Admission, Homework, Substance Abuse, Bullying, Attendance Policy, Code of Behaviour, Acceptable Internet Usage & Safety Statement and Healthy Eating Policy. Copies of the above policies are available in the school office. All personnel working in the school operate and adhere to the “Children First” national guidelines for the protection and welfare of children published by the Department of Health and Children.



Addams Family Nov 2019

# Students involved in County, All-Ireland and World events

## Music in CCS.

The school is lucky to have a number of school choirs up and running in Cashel Community School. All groups competed nationally in 2019 to great acclaim. We are very proud of all their achievements to date and wish them every success in the upcoming competitions. A particular joy was the Senior school choir winning the same trophy in Feis Matiu Cork 3 years in a row. - Well done all!

- 1st year Choir - 1st place Feis Maitiu – Loreto Cup.
- Equal Voice Choir - 1st Place Chamber choir – Perpetual Shield and 2nd place in Midleton Feis.
- Senior Choir - 1st place Feis Maitiu – Cashes Of Cork Trophy.
- Past pupils Choir - 1st place at the AIMS music Festival New Ross.
- Equal voice choir – 3rd place Kilkenny Choral Festival March 2019



Tipperary under 16 camogie representatives



South Tipperary Soccer  
Alex O'Sullivan, Lee Hayes, Cian Ryan



Provincial Soccer Representatives  
Emer McCarthy, Emily McGrath, Ruby Quinn



World Championship Dancing  
Lauren Fitzgerald, Amy Browne



Munster Senior School Swimming Team



Cross Country Running  
Gráinne O'Connor



Virtual Choir 2020 – The Prayer



Mixed Voice Choir - Winter Song



Virtual Choir 2020 – You will be Found



Equal Voice Choir



Silver Gaisce Award Winners



2019 All Ireland winning past pupils return to CCS

The winners of the Gerry Ryan Art Award for 2019 were Heather Barnett TY and Julianne Bongcaras 5th year.



# Parents' Association

Cashel Community School has a dynamic Parents Association since 1994. It encourages all parents to participate and support the activities of the school, and acts as very valuable liaison with the school management.

Its many activities include:

- Book Rental Scheme
- Organise Debs with Student Council
- Guest speakers invited to meetings speaking on drugs, health, any topic related to parents concerns

Monthly meetings provide comprehensive reports from Secretary, Treasurer, School Principal and all committees. A.G.M. held annually in October, and the association is affiliated to PACCS. All parents are welcome.

## Leadership Day in CCS



Recent Student Leaders in CCS

Leadership Day is a School initiative which acknowledges the achievements of students who take leadership roles in our school. It celebrates students who model good example, commitment and positivity in the school.

## Parental Involvement

Homework can take a variety of forms including:

- Written assignments
- Creative Assignments
- Learning Assignments
- Revision Work
- Oral homework
- Collecting information for projects
- Listening to tapes or CDs
- Preparing for debates, role plays etc.

Parents can be supportive by demonstrating study and organisation skills, explaining problems, or just encouraging students to take a break. Effective parent involvement comes when a true partnership exists between schools and families. Creating that partnership, especially around academics, is what works for student achievement.

(National Parents Council, 2014)



- Homework has a positive effect on student achievement at second level.
- Parent expectations and aspirations are a critical contributor to student success.
- Parents should create an environment of support within the home.
- Parents should always reward effort rather than results.
- The Record Book is signed on a weekly basis.



The position of captain is given to those athletes whom the rest of the team respect and trust to lead the team in the right direction. This position is a great honour which comes with great responsibility including giving consistent full effort, demonstrating good sportsmanship, treating officials with respect and setting goals for your team.

## Sports

Cashel Community School offers a choice of sports:

**Hurling:** Munster and County Tipperary competitions at: First Year, U-14, U-15, Junior (U-16½), Senior (U-17, and U-19). Won Munster U-16½ in 2010 and Corn Phádraig in 2011 & 2019

**Gaelic Football:** played at the same levels as Hurling, Tipperary U19 Football Champions 2018/19. 2 CCS Teams Tipperary A & C Under 14 Football Winners May 2019

**Swimming:** Compete at Munster Level

**Soccer:** Munster and Southeast Region: First Year, U-14, U-16, Senior. Won U-16 in 2010.

**Camogie:** Munster Colleges: First Year, Junior, Senior: championships and leagues.

**Ladies Gaelic Football:** played at the same levels as camogie.

**Girls Basketball:** All-Ireland school girls league 'B' grade: First Year, 2nd Yr., U-16, U-19.

**Handball:** National competitions, First Year, Junior, Intermediate, Senior. All-Ireland Junior champions in 2010.

**Rugby:** Munster – First Year, U-15, U-16.

**Pitch & Putt:** teams (open to all ages) are entered in Munster and All-Ireland competitions.

**Equestrian Activities:** Hunter Trials, Junior and Senior, All-Ireland competitions.

**Tennis:** Munster schools, U-16, U-19.



# 11 major titles in 2 years – Go GAA !!!!

## 4 All Ireland titles and 7 Munster titles

- Won Munster Senior B Hurling Final 2019/20
- Won Munster Junior B Ladies Football 2019/20
- Won Junior B Camogie – Munster and All Ireland Medal Winners in 2019/20
- The senior and junior Camogie teams won the Munster and All Ireland C titles in 2018/19
- The Junior Ladies Football team won the Munster and all Ireland C titles in 2018/19
- Senior ladies football team won the Munster C football title in 2018/19
- CCS won the Tipperary U19 A football title in 2018/19
- Ger Browne – All Ireland Senior Hurling medal winner in 2019
- Orla O Dwyer – All Ireland Intermediate Ladies Football medal winner in 2019
- Eoghan Connolly, Aaron Browne and John Ryan were U20 Munster and All Ireland Hurling Winners in 2019



2019 All Ireland winning past pupils return to CCS



## ALL-IRELAND JUNIOR CAMOGIE CHAMPIONS 2019



Hurlers in Action



Basketball

Exercise and sports participation has long been established as an important factor in reducing the risk of many physical problems such as cardiovascular disease and obesity. That said, the importance of sports and games in Cashel Community School encompasses more than just the benefit of physical activity. We believe it's an integral part of increasing students' self-esteem, while developing confidence and mental alertness.



Rugby



Camogie



Soccer

The emphasis on sport in Cashel Community Schools centres around the students experience of having fun, being challenged and receiving affirmation. We want our young people to engage in sport and an active lifestyle. Student participation in sport and exercise results in a feeling of achievement, and being part of something, as well as the enjoyment students get out of working together with their friends and peers, thus nurturing their social skills and thereby building character.



Soccer Scholarship Winners



Soccer

# Student of the Year



Jennifer is a diligent, determined and independent young lady with a deep interest in developing community spirit, culture, education and the power of helping others. Jennifer took 7 higher-level subjects for her Leaving Cert, achieving the maximum 625 points. She is no stranger to the school awards system having previously received multiple class awards and creative writing awards. Jennifer received a Certificate of Excellence in TY. She was heavily involved in the school Student Councils, culminating in her being elected the Chairperson of the Student Council for the 2019-20 school year. Jennifer was a 6th Year Link student helping first year students settle into life in Cashel Community School.

She has great credibility with both the student and staff body and is a very deserving winner of this accolade. When we think of this student we are struck by the energy and enthusiasm that emulates from her and of course there is that smile which reflects her character and personality. We wish her all the best in her medical studies in UCD.

Student of the Year

## Sports Awards



## Awards

### Student Awards

We aim to provide a broad education and to turn out students who are not only academically qualified but also good citizens. To motivate students towards the highest possible goals the school has developed an Awards System, which recognises student achievement across the full range of student activities. Awards include academic, full attendance, sports, music, art, creative writing and special achievements.

The aims of the awards are:

- to promote excellence
- to reward and encourage talent
- to foster and reward high achievement
- to encourage students to excel academically and personally
- to acknowledge student initiative and effort
- to create a sense of pride in students
- to recognise students who are involved in significant voluntary, community and charitable activity

### Positive Behaviour Merit Award

A merit system was introduced in April 2010 as a further enhancement to our code of behaviour. Staff can award students with a merit for any part of a student's involvement in school life either academic, pastoral or extracurricular. Students are presented with certificates to acknowledge these merits during ceremonies held throughout the year. The beginning of this school year saw the merit system widened to encompass all junior and senior students in our school.



Creative Writing Award



Junior Choir Award



Junior Music Award



CCS Awards 2019



5th Year Class Awards Winners



2nd year class



Sports Awards 2020

# Achievements

Leaving Certificate and Junior Certificate 2019/2020 Award Winners  
 Jennifer Fogarty - Winner Meaney Scholarship, Top Leaving Cert 2020 maximum points (625)  
 Emma Ryan - Godolphin recipient 2019  
 James O Sullivan – Winner Meaney Scholarship, Godolphin Bursary Awardee 2018 , Top Leaving Cert 2019 maximum points (625), Awarded Quercus Scholarship To UCC Cork  
 Kieran Browne – Winner of Meaney Scholarship. Awarded Entrance Scholarship to NUI Galway  
 Liam Mc Grath – Winner of the Meaney Scholarship  
 Donnacha O Dwyer – Awarded Entrance Scholarship to NUI Galway . Winner JP Mc Manus All Ireland Scholarship  
 Caoimhe Perdue – 2019 Awarded Quercus Scholarship To UCC Cork  
 Emma Ryan WIT Presidents Scholarship recipient 2020  
 Emily Coleman – Best Result in Ireland Junior Certificate Tech Graphics, 1 of 19 students countrywide to receive maximum grades at Junior Cycle

## Third Level Entrance Scholarships:

UCD: Thomas Davern and Hannah McSweeney awarded Scholarship 2017  
 WIT: Róisín O'Donnell awarded President's Scholarship 2016  
 UCD: Cathal O'Connor awarded UCD Scholarship 2016  
 TCD: Saroj Gurung awarded JP McManus Scholarship 2015

## Sporting:

- Won Munster Senior B Hurling final- 2019
- Won Munster Junior Ladies Football B 2019
- Won Junior Camogie- All Ireland Final 2019
- Underage County Soccer Teams, Hurling, Camogie, Football, Ladies Football
- Michaela Lawrence U16 International Ladies Soccer Team
- Athletics- bronze team medal- Gráinne O'Connor, Leanne Mullally
- Ger Browne All Ireland Senior Medal Winner 2019
- Orla O'Dwyer All Ireland Intermediate Ladies Football Winner 2019
- Eoghan Connelly, Aaron Browne and John Ryan Munster and All Ireland U20 Hurling Winners 2019
- Orla O'Dwyer and Laura Connolly won All-Ireland Camogie medals. Orla was also nominated for an All-Star.
- Caoimhe Perdue Ireland Hockey International 2018
- Cashel CS Under 17B Hurling Champions 2017 & 2018
- Cashel CS Tipperary Senior B Football Champions 2017 & 2018
- Tipperary U19A Football Champions 2018/2019
- The Senior and Junior Camogie teams won the Munster and All Ireland titles in 2018
- Munster Rugby Ciara and Aoife Fleming

## Cultural:

- Junk Kouture Our Junk Kouture entries focused on the detrimental effect of single use plastics on our planet, our need to be creative with unusual materials such as discarded metal and the benefits of recycling organic matter. Out of these innovative items, we produced a series of unique and eye-catching outfits, two of which reached the highly competitive regional final in the concert hall in Limerick
- Debating Team- The CCS Senior Debating Team took part in the Concern Debates for the first time during the 2019/2020 term, earning the accolade of Best New School.
- Senior Choir U-19 Hilser Trophy Feis Maitiú Cork. 2018
- RTE Sunday Morning Mass Broadcast March 2019
- The production of The Addams Family in November 2019 was very highly acclaimed and was the twenty sixth musical since 1994.
- 25th Anniversary Concert May 2019. Past and present pupils and staff celebrate 25 years on music in CCS
- Darragh Hogan 5th Year chosen to participate in the RTÉ Youth Assembly. He was 1 of 157 chosen nationwide to be a member of Dáil Éireann for a day.
- Pieta Fun Run, May 2013 over 1000 people involved €13,700 raised.
- Young Social Innovators Bronze Medal award in 2014 for project on concussion titled "Without your Brain you have no Game" and also "Do you want Braille with That" in 2012.



James O Sullivan 2019 – Godolphin Bursary Awardee 2018



Kieran Browne 2019 Awarded Entrance Scholarship to NUI Galway



Donnacha O Dwyer – Awarded Entrance Scholarship to NUI Galway Winner JP Mc Manus All Ireland Scholarship



Caoimhe Perdue – 2019 Awarded Quercus Scholarship To UCC



Emily Coleman – Best Result in Ireland Junior Certificate Tech Graphics



Darragh in the Dáil

# School Life



Friendship week



Ross Walsh Affirmation



Christmas Jumpers



School Choir



Title CCS 25 ANNIVERSARY CONCERT May 2019 – Past and present pupils and staff celebrate 25 years of music in CCS



Geography Week



1st year 2019 with Mr Quinn



Darkness Into Light



Junior Council 2019

“Lessons were very well prepared and had a clear, purposeful structure”

DES - WSE Report 2015

# School Life



School Assembly



World Wise Global Schools  
Passpor Award 2019-2021



Remembrance Service



RTE Mass March 2019



Lyric Fm Christmas 2019



Sports Awards



Culture Day



Liam McCarthy Cup  
visits the school



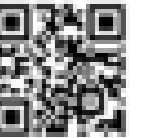
Debating Team

# Young Scientists Winners 2020

## Social and Behavioural Sciences

The Senior Group – 1st prize  
Diarmuid English  
Finbarr English  
Kiril Cariov

This project examines attendance data from our school, to see whether there is a connection between absences and academic performance. Performance is measured here by Leaving Certificate points achieved by a student, which has been linked with that student's attendance information.



Presentation of Award at the RDS Dublin Jan 2020

## YSI – Young Social innovators of The Year 2020 !

Category – making our Community A Better Place  
Gold Award

This year the YSI team researched the misuse of accessible parking places by able bodied drivers . They were appalled at this ongoing issue locally and nationally . They worked closely with Ms Ryan to think more about solutions to this issue .

The students took the idea of a prototype deterrent device flagged by the Cashel Gold Star Initiative and brought it to action assisted by the Engineering Dept in the school .The students prepared their project presentation called a Speak Out and performed in front of judges in Kilkenny last March .The students learned they were one of nine schools nationally to partake in the virtual final sponsored by Virgin Media in October . It was here at this live event that the students discovered they were named the overall Young Social Innovators of the year taking home a beautiful John Rocha designed trophy and prize money of 2,000 euros .

The school has a very proud history of YSI success in the school winning a bronze and two silver national awards previously . The YSI programme is an integral part of the TY programme in the school and promotes many skills every year including civic action ,research, analysis , social innovation, critical thinking , project planning and communication skills.

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful , committed citizens can change the world , indeed it's the only thing that ever has". Margaret Mead



Young Social Innovators Awards 2020

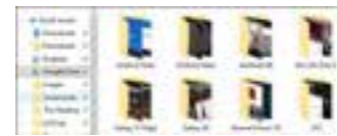


# Google Classroom



Google Classroom is virtual learning platform . Quite simply it's a mechanism for teachers and students to teach, learn, share work and resources (Class notes, handouts, PowerPoint presentations, video clips etc.) through a secure school

Google Classroom



# School Life



Addams Family 2019



1st yr Concern bake sale



Global Schools Committee 2019



Craft Fair Dec 2019



Swim winners! 2019



1st Yr business awards



Man United Trip 2019



Internet Awareness Day 2020



Daffodil Day 2019



Solid Foundations  
available in Cashel  
Community School

## Cashel Community School App



Download the compass school manager App from the App store/google play store to see what's happening in CCS!

**"Students are happy, well cared for and encouraged to maximise their potential."**

DES - WSE Report 2015

# Why choose Cashel Community School?

- High standards of excellence in both academic and extra curricular fields.
- Boys and girls working together in the classroom helps develop confidence in students so that they feel comfortable sharing their ideas and opinions in any situation and excel in University and beyond as leaders.
- We believe that every child matters as an individual and we place great emphasis on pastoral care.
- Each class has its own class tutor whose responsibilities include monitoring the progress and welfare of each student.
- Sixth Year links programme helps First Year students to adjust to second level education.
- Book Rental Scheme.
- Maximum 24 students per class in First Year
- We provide an opportunity for First Year students to experience a whole range of Junior Cycle subjects so that informed subject choices can be made for Second Year on the basis of experience
- Optional evening study
- School Awards Ceremony to celebrate the achievements of all students
- Two full time Career Guidance Counsellors provide individual and group advice on subject choice, further education, training and careers as well as individual support when necessary.
- The school has a full time chaplain and a team of Religious Education teachers who combine with management and staff to create a caring environment with strong Christian values.
- Hot Food available at lunchtime.

View our website on:  
[www.cashelcommunityschool.ie](http://www.cashelcommunityschool.ie)



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