

Spórt (ar lean)

Peil na mBuachaillí-Carlow Senior Final: The Senior football team from GCC played in the Carlow Post Primary schools Gaelic Football finals recently, under lights at IT Carlow, and had a great game against Tullow Community School. The game ended in a draw. Maith sibh agus míle buíochas do Mháistir Ó Cinnéide.

Sárimreoirí Peile na Bliana: Congratulations to Andrew Mac Eochaidh who was honoured with selection on the County Carlow Post-Primary All-Star Gaelic football team at corner forward. The ceremony was held in the Haughton Building, IT Carlow. Míle buíochas le CLG Cheatharlach, IT Cheatharlach & Máistir Ó Cinnéide.

Peil na gCailíní: The Junior and Senior girls Gaelic football team had a very challenging session this term. The Juniors lost three of the four games played but they showed great determination and will come back stronger next session.

The Seniors will not advance from the group stages, either, having played three out of four games. Míle buíochas do Iníon Ní Fhearáil agus a deartháir, Damien, a thugann aire do na foirne seo.

Rugbaí: Moving on from last year's success, rugby in GCC has grown in popularity with a lot of students deciding to take up the sport. Our senior boy's most recent game saw them enjoy a win in a local derby against Presentation College Carlow. They will play the first round of the Senior Development Shield against Bridgetown College in the New Year. Unfortunately our juniors were knocked out of the Junior Development Shield on a score line of 26-19 against Mountrath CC but still look forward to taking part in a Carlow league which is due to commence in the new year.

Our Junior girls took part in a Tag Rugby blitz in Athy, recently. Despite the extremely harsh conditions and with some inexperienced players, the girls finished second overall. The girls also look forward to taking part in further blitz's for tag rugby and 7's rugby in the new year.

Míle buíochas do Iníon Ní Iréis, Máistir Ó Laochra agus Ruairi Dunbar.

Rámhaíocht: Our Transition year students are involved in an indoor rowing programme in conjunction with Carlow Regional Youth Services, Rowing Ireland and Carlow Rowing Club. A group of students are trained first of all and then they in turn teach the rowing skills they've learned to first year students in the school who go on to participate in indoor rowing blitzes. Well done to all involved. Míle buíochas do Iníon Ní Iréis a d'eagraigh é seo.

Sacar: The Under 15 and 17 boys soccer teams are through to the semi-finals of the league. The under 17s are also in the Leinster cup quarter final.

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Eanáir 2019

Spól Nuachta

Staidéar Gnó: Congratulations to the students from the Junior Certificate class of 2018, David Ó Callanáin & Alexandria de Cuirtéis who were awarded certificates, recently, in recognition of the excellent results they achieved in their Junior Certificate Business Studies. The awards ceremony is jointly organised by the Business Studies Teachers of Ireland and WIT School of Business. Comhghairdeas libh.

Scoláireachtaí: Congratulations to the scholarship winners from the Leaving Cert class of 2018. Congratulations to Clíona Ní Shé who was the recipient of the very prestigious Naughton Scholarship. Clíona is studying Maths in Trinity College. Congratulations, also, to Aodhán Ó Sluáin & Liam Ó Braonáin who were the recipients of the UCD Entrance Scholars Award. These scholarships were awarded based on their Leaving Cert results. Comhghairdeas leo.

Turas Innealtóireachta: Students from 5th & 6th year Engineering classes had a very informative tour of the Autolaunch factory in Muine Bheag in October. Míle buíochas leis an Máistir Ó Flaithearta a d'eagraigh é.

Obair Dheonach: Transition Year students helped the Rotary Club with their annual Remembrance Tree Campaign in the run up to Christmas and have also helped Carlow Lions Club packing hampers for the local needy before they are distributed by St. Vincent de Paul. Maith sibh.

Lá Folláine: Third year students had a "Wellbeing" day in St. Laurence O Toole's Clubhouse recently which was facilitated by Carlow Regional Youth Services. Míle buíochas.

Scileanna Staidéir: All students completed a course, earlier in the term, about study skills and how to cope with the stresses of exam preparation. This course was provided by "The Super Generation". Míle buíochas.

Seachtain Eolaíochta: Students from Rang a 5 in the Gaelscoil were treated to an exciting array of experiments carried out by our own Máistir Ó Cinnéide as part of Science Week. There were squeals of delight as unexpected explosions and firestart-

Cruinnithe: - Parent Teacher Meetings for 1st, 2nd, 4th & 5th year

Seó: - "Hairspray": The transition year students will take to the stage, early in the New Year, with their production of "Hairspray" under the direction of their teacher, Máistir Ó Néill. Students will get an opportunity to display both their dancing and vocal talents and the whole transition year group will take part in some way in the production. Míle buíochas do Mháistir Ó Néill as ucht an obair go léir.

Bliain na Gaeilge 2018: Students from second year right up to sixth year took part in the Gaelfhíseán competition (run by Conradh na Gaeilge) during the last school year. They made a video with the help and expertise of former student Andrew Mac Raghnaill. The competition celebrated Bliain na Gaeilge 2018, marking 125 years since the Irish language revolution. The students composed a song "trí mheán na Ghaeilge" entitled 'Teanga na Tíre' and performed the song along with dance moves for the camera. The video was very successful and won a cash prize of €1000 for the school. Míle buíochas do Bhean Mhic Raghnaill, Iníon Ní Inglís Ní Éideáin agus Andrew Mac Raghnaill. Comhghairdeas libh.

Team Hope: Team Hope Boscaí Nollaig: TY students had the opportunity to help out with the final sorting of the shoeboxes that were collected all over the county. In total over 5,000 boxes left the depot in late November. Maith sibh & míle buíochas do Iníon Tennyson a d'eagraigh é sa scoil.

Gaeilge 24: On Tuesday November 13th GCC celebrated Gaeilge 24 whereby students undertook the challenge to speak Gaeilge non stop for 24 hours! Iníon Ní Inglís Ní Éideáin and the Coiste Gaeilge organised various activities including a cupán tae for students and a Tráth na gCeist where 1st year students from Presentation College joined our own students for spraoi agus spórt. Maith sibh. The challenge, which is run by 'Conradh na Gaeilge', promotes the Irish language at home, in school and within our local community. The committee put in a lot of hard work, annually, towards achieving the 'Gaelbharrtach' and "Gaeilge 24" is a wonderful opportunity for the students to organise activities to achieve this goal. Teachers in the school did an excellent job promoting the event and supporting the students also. Students proudly wore their "Gaeilge 24" T-shirts and wrist bands. Míle buíochas do chuile dhuine a chabhraigh le seo.

Boscaí Staire: BI 4 took part in a shoe box project in History, this term, where they did some excellent work on various topics. It is the first time that students from GCC took part in this project and the winners received certificates for their work. Comhghairdeas libh.

Filíocht - Poetry Aloud: Three of our students reached the semi-final of Poetry Aloud competition with Caitlín progressing to the final on December 7th. Comhghairdeas libh agus míle buíochas do Mháistir Ó Laochra.

Idirbhliain: Transition year students have been very busy this term and here are some of the activities they took part in:-

- * Cúrsa le Stephen Dargan.
- * Ger Carey "Live and Laughing"
- * Taithí Oibre (Work experience)
- * "Les Miserable" sa Bhórd Gáis Energy Theatre
- * Gaelbharrtach & Gaeilge 24.
- * Team Hope—Shoobox appeal.
- * Bootcamp le Joe Dunny.
- * Garchabhair (First Aid course) - Michael Kinsella.
- * Bord Fiontraíochta Cheatharlach: Cúrsa Fiontraíochta (Course on Enterprise).
- * Driving Skills course.
- * Course on Developmental Aid with Jim Kirwan.
- * Voluntary work with Carlow Rotary & Lions Clubs.

Míle buíochas do Iníon Ní Bhriain & na múinteoirí go léir a eagraíonn na gníomhaíochtaí seo.

Spórt

Nóta Buíochais: Well done to all our students who are doing so well in so many fields and a special "Míle buíochas" to their teachers/coaches who support them, give freely of their time and provide such opportunities. We are also very appreciative of parental involvement, support and assistance especially with travel.

Cispheil: The first 3 months have been extremely busy with games. Our Junior Girls team (U16) had a slow start to their league campaign but went on to become the outright winners of the U16 South East League. We have a small panel but they sure make up for it in determination and guts. Our girls produced the performance of the season in the final in Waterford against last years winners Presentation College Wexford who beat us by 1 point in last years final, winning 27-10. Pres Wexford so the win was all the sweeter. After Christmas we are off to Cork to take part in the All Ireland Playoffs, with the prize of a semi-final game in the National Basketball Arena.

Our senior boys team lead by Seán Ó Bruadair, were expected to make the final of the U19 league but crashed out in the semi-final to a well drilled CTI Clonmel team who, on the day, were the better team. We played Waterpark College Waterford in the U19