

Dear Parents/Guardians & Prospective Parents/Guardians,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the teachers, SNA's, auxiliary and canteen staff for all of their hard work and commitment to our students during the 2018/2019 academic year. I would like to wish our Junior Certificate and Leaving Certificate students the best of luck in their exams.

We have extended our end of year newsletter to 28 pages this year to include memories of the extracurricular and co-curricular activities that we engage in. I hope you enjoy a snapshot of our very busy school community and I hope that it reflects the efforts we go to to provide a broad educational experience for all.

I would like to thank the Edmund Rice Schools Trust for their consistent guidance. I am confident that the spirit of our founder Blessed Edmund Rice is alive and well in the community of St. Joseph's Secondary School.

Finally to you the parents/guardians, thank you for your support. If we can assist you for your son(s) in any way please do not hesitate to contact us. Enjoy a well deserved rest and keep an eye on our new website for details of the calendar and events for the 2019/2020 year.

Le gach dea-ghuí,

Paul Savage Principal

Wishing all our Leaving Certificate students the best of luck with their exams.



Check out the latest news on our School's Website www.droghedacbs.ie

#### **The Camino Journey**

On Tuesday 16th April, myself and 26 other students and Mr. Kelly, Mr. Connolly, Ms. McEneaney and Ms. Sheridan made our way to do 140km of the French Way of the Camino de Santiago. Mr. Madden and his wife also joined us. When we landed, we took a bus to a town called Triacastela. We were shown our rooms and got a good nights sleep. We got up at 9am the next morning and everybody was excited. We started out on our journey. We walked 19km to a town called Sarria and relaxed there for the evening. We walked 24km the next day from Sarria to Portomarin. This was tough as it was a steep walk in places. We totalled 30km the following day, which was very challenging but we all persevered on together. Every time somebody passed us we all shouted "Buen Camino". We stopped in Palas de Rei where we had a nice meal. Some even ate octopus!

The next morning we set out for a 33km walk to Aruza. This was the longest day. Everybody was very tired at this point (including the teachers!). The people we met along the way were very nice and encouraged us all to keep going. We watched the Barcelona match that night and rested our tired feet.

20km to Pedrouzo was the aim for the following day. We attended mass first, which was a great experience. We kept each other going during the walk, chatting about sport and school. We had eggs and bacon for breakfast the next morning, a nice change from croissants everyday! There was excitement in the air. We were heading for Santiago de Compestelas, a 17km walk, the end point of the Camino. We couldn't believe we completed it. Everybody was thrilled. When we arrived, we went shopping and went to Burger King! We then made our journey home the next day.

Overall, this was an amazing experience and I am so glad I got the opportunity to go. A huge thank you to all the teachers involved. I would recommend the Camino walk to all.

Eoghan Sayers (2S)





#### We're all in this together!

Our Transition year musical, High School Musical, was a huge hit in the TLT in May. 1,300 people attended in total. Huge congratulations to all students involved and a special thank you to Ms. O'Connor, Ms. Kirke and Ms. Murray.



#### **Congratulations to Shane Lynch**

Shane Lynch was the lucky winner of a 4-day educational trip to Brussels, Luxembourg and Strasbourg. Shane will be accompanied on his trip by 23 other students from across Ireland and 3 supervising teachers. They will spend one full day at the European Parliament in Strasbourg where they will take part in a youth parliament (Euroscola) with students from across EU member states. The winning students entered the weekly Graduate.ie online citizenship & democracy competition. They answered questions about democracy & local government, environment & waste management, health & well-



being, financial literacy, sport, careers, courses, etc. by clicking on links to sponsors websites. They submitted their answers to Graduate.ie and computer randomly selected weekly winners, one of which was Shane Lynch.

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& OUR LADY'S COLLEGE, GREEN

L-R: Shane Lynch, Cllr. Liam Reilly, Ms. Hackett

#### **Sports Day**

We had a great day for Sports day which took place on 17th May. 1st, 2nd and 5th years got involved in a series of sporting activities held throughout the day. Thanks to all in the PE department for organising the event.







#### Build a bank - Boogie Bank

The AIB build-a-bank challenge is a national competition which involves TY students coming together to create an AIB bank within their school. Every bank has to pick a theme for their bank and this year we picked a 1980's disco theme which involved us getting into our crazy colourful wigs, our hippie glasses and tie dye t-shirts. As part of the build-a-bank Challenge, students were able to deposit money into an account on a weekly basis. On 13th March, we had the opportunity to go to the national final in the RDS and give our presentation. We won the Judges Merit Award. Overall, our Build a Bank experience was very successful and enjoyable.

#### Zac Lennon (TY4)

**L-R:** Miriam McCabe, Mr. McCole, Cian Sands, Kenenna Okwara, Zac Lennon, Joe Sayers, Joseph Pentony Black, Hector Sarrion Vina, Mr. Savage, Ms.McEneaney

#### Silver Medal in National 'Young Economist' competition!

Our fifth year Economics class group have attained a Silver Award in the 'Young Economist of the Year 2019' competition with their entry 'Why has Inflation remained so low, despite the housing crisis?'. This prizewinning team consisted of members Lorcan Bradley, Destiny Edomwande, David Einzenberger, Kamal Ibrahim, Nikita Koush, Godwill Njekwe and Kenneth Obiefuna. Godwill Njewke was also awarded a Bronze Award for his individual entry 'Economic Equality'. The students and their coordinator Ms Sheridan exhibited the entries and received their medals at a prestigious national awards ceremony in O'Reilly Hall on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Congratulations to all.

#### TY Students go to France for European Science project

Seven Transition Year students, along with Mr. McDonagh and Ms. Clinton, travelled to Avallon, France, between 23<sup>rd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> of May, as part of a European Science project called "European Science Camps; Changing Climate, Changing Habitats". The partner schools in the project are Lycée du Parc des Chaumes (France) and Gymnasium Papenburg (Germany). The TY students worked with other students from the partner countries investigating a woodland and bog habitat that are part of the Morvan Regional National Park. Students recorded data on the plant species, soil pH and nutrient levels in the areas studied. Detailed maps were produced using the recorded data. Students from France and Germany will travel to Ireland in September, to conduct studies on a sea shore habitat (Clogherhead Beach) and woodland (Beaulieu woods). The final trip will see TY students travel to Germany in March 2020, along with the French students, to study a bog and a sea shore habitat (Wadden sea). The project aims to compare the data from the three areas studied and show the effects





#### **GAA Schools Writing Competition**



A huge congratulations to Seán Carolan in 6<sup>th</sup> year who came runner up in the Irish language section of the GAA Schools Writing Competition in March. Seán attended an awards ceremony in Croke Park with his parents and Irish teacher Ms. O'Connor. Comhghairdeas!

**L-R:** President of the GAA John Horan, Seán Carolan

#### **Gaeltacht Scholarships**

Congratulations to Eoghan Maguire, Rory Smith, Oisín Mc Cann, Tadhg Martin and Shane Reilly who have all won a scholarship to the Gaeltacht.

Comhghairdeas!



#### Advocacy

On Thursday 7th March, Luke Rochford, Adam Leech and Mr. Connolly travelled to Leinster house to attend a talk given by Senator Grace O Sullivan. We were joined by ten other schools on the day. The talk was about the importance of the preservation of our seas and the importance of recycling our litter. The talk was extremely informative and eye opening to see the amount of work that the senator. Afterwards we went for lunch with Eddie Burke, head of the Edmund Rice Schools Trust, and discussed our plan of action for our school's advocacy project.

Luke Rochford (TY3)



It has been yet another fantastic year for Green Schools in St. Joseph's. Under the new leadership of Ms. Conlon and Mr. Connolly and with the tireless work of our students the group has continued to improve our school's environmental awareness and efficiency this year. Through completing a waste management survey and scanning the school for potential hotspots where needless waste and littering happens the Green Schools group has set the ball rolling on a campaign that will no doubt ensure the school another Green Flag in 2020. As well as this the group has embarked on a vital quest to educate the new students in the school on the importance of recycling and have shown them the labelled bins for their different types of waste in their designated areas.

A special mention must go out to a number of 6<sup>th</sup> Year members of the Green Schools group who are leaving the school this year. Seán Carolan and Michael Traynor have been stalwarts of the group for many years and I do not know where the group would be without them.



Back row (L-R): Mr. Connolly, Michael Traynor, Seán Carolan. Front row (L-R): Luke Mohan, Jonathan Everitt, Haider Abbas Naqvi



schools that attended the talk in Dublin at

Leinster House

#### **Transition Year - Our Highlights**

TY was a rewarding experience for me and one I will never forget. I learned many new skills throughout the year that I can use in the future. For example: cooking, essay writing, managing a GAA team, running a bank, taking statistics, putting together presentations on computers, giving tours and many more. I also went on many trips various places. All of these things were brilliant but the one thing that stood out to me in Transition Year was the musical. Between October and May as a group we put together a performance of High School Musical. Some students were on stage, some did sound and light, some built the set and some took control of the business end of things. It was nice to be outside the normal classroom environment doing something that is very rarely done in a boy's school. It gave us the chance to make new friends and get to know each other in a different. The process leading up to the night itself was extremely enjoyable. The show went really well and it was very satisfying to see all of our hard work pay off.

Honestly my knowledge of TY going in was that it isn't as strenuous as other years like 3<sup>rd</sup> year or 6<sup>th</sup> year but there is still work to be done for every class. The wide variety of classes is great and the amount of activities I took part in throughout the year was amazing. Doing TY helped me to travel to India without having to stress about school work. It enabled me to take part in the school musical which was a great success. Recently we also went to Carlingford adventure centre which was really good.

Overall TY was a great experience and I would recommend it to anyone.

The weeks leading up to the musical we were flat out learning dances and trying to perfect the OOo's and AAa's song. We spent every minute of class time we had fixing scenes to make them stage quality. The week before the musical we spent every day in the TLT doing dress rehearsals and trying on mics. The Tuesday before the musical we had the sets in and we had our first full dress and mic rehearsal, throughout we had a few mistakes but we all knew it was going to be a brilliant show.

On Thursday morning we arrived in the TLT at nine o clock and we started straight into make-up, we began our first matinee at 11:30am we were all nervous at first but by the end we knew were "all in this together".

The musical was a great experience and I would encourage anyone who is doing TY to get involved in the musical.

On the 9th and 10th of May, TY Performing Arts, Set Design, Business and Light and Sound classes finally performed our Musical. We worked countless hours to put on an entertaining and light hearted musical. We put on a total of 4 shows, two open shows and the other two were for the 1st and 2nd years in the school and also primary schools in the local area. We worked with Greenhills School and we would not have been able to have such a high quality musical without them. It was a great experience for everyone involved and I would recommend anyone to take part in a musical.

TY was a really good year for me because I could enjoy so much Ireland and Irish people because me, as a Spanish student I could learn many things about living alone and try to "connect" yourself with another people of another country; but, I really thank all the boys that included me as another friend and being part of this group that I remember as my Irish family. What I liked the most in TY was the High School Musical play that we did, it was really good and I could know more about my friends because I spent over two weeks together with them. I really liked this year and I'm really pleased that I could have this experience of learning English and meeting new friends.

I'm glad I spent the year here in St. Joseph's, it is very different than in Spain. TY is the only year in which you can do something different, make friends, have a lot of fun and pass the year without study. This year I felt very involved in TY and in the Irish life. I hope to come back to Ireland.

At the start of TY you can decide what part of the musical you want to be part of. You can pick on stage, marketing, art, or lights and sound. During the whole year you will practice for it. Its something completely different in school. At first it's a bit quiet because people are only getting used to singing in front of people but very quickly you get comfortable. During Easter break we went to the TLT to practice and this is where we got most of the work done. Then after, the musical comes very fast. You might not feel prepared but you were preparing all year. Before the first show everyone was very nervous but once you get on stage you feel fine. Then on the last show again people got nervous because it was the biggest show. But everything went well and it's a lot of fun performing. Overall we did the play in front of 1300 people. You make a lot of new friends doing it and you learn a lot of new skills and have a lot of fun. I'd highly recommend doing the musical.

#### **Carlingford Adventure Centre Trip**

We departed the school at 8:15am with Ms. Murray and Mr. Callan. When we reached Carlingford we got into wet suits and went pier jumping, the water was freezing cold. When we finished, we split into three boats and went to do kayaking. We carried the boat down to the beach and started to row to the other side of the beach. We went through a small tunnel where the instructor told us the history of Carlingford. We later rowed to the water trampoline and spent some time there and headed back for food. We then walked up a hill to the small forest to play laser tag. We played 3 games in total. The teachers also participated in all the activities. We had a great day out and it was a great way to end our Transition Year as a group.



## The Class of 2019



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**Back row (L-R):** Luke Kelly, Tolani Oyelola, Joe McGouran, Evan McGinn, Dennis Osayi, Seán Mutombo, James Tiernan

**Front row (L-R):** Damian Magiera, Jamal Ibrahim, Richard Clinton, Aaron Sheridan, Domas Rimkus, Eric Stone **Absent from photo:** Ryan Holland, Karl Leonard, Suleman Malik, Robbie McAuley, Einoras Mikucionis, Mohammad Moin



**Back row (L-R):** Padraic Kavanagh, Conor Clarke, Ryan McEvoy, Tyrese Chitambo, Cain Murray, Killian Cunningham, Leo Franco, Luke Burke **Front row (L-R):** Nathan Maguire, Joshua Halpin, Cormac Dolan, Tyler Harper, Oladipupo Dele, Daniel Jones **Absent:** Oliver Carroll, Luke Cowley, Jay Hughes, Eleandro Merdonaj



 Back row (L-R): Shane Kavanagh, Jack Conachy, Ross Borromeo, Andrew Healy, Matthew Judge, Shaun Crabtree, Dylan Grendon, Connor Kirwan
 Middle row (L-R): Garreth Lane, Jack Grennan, Conor Duff, Cian Gorman, Dave Dumaplin, Olufunmilayo Bello, Fahd Badru, Ciarán Finnegan Moonan, Dylan Boylan, Adam Kirwan, Adam Hevey
 Front row (L-R): Sean Kevitt, Seán Kerrisk, Andrew Kierans, Ryan Brodigan, Adam Boyle, Jack Bohill, Conor Faulkner, Ron Bondoc



**Back row (L-R):** Aaron Stone, Neil Holdcroft, Michael MacMahon, James Farrell, Peter Finegan, Ciarán Brennan, Adam Booth, Kenneth Fallon

*Middle row (L-R):* Luke McCarthy, Jack Hodgins, Rodney Omosigho, Ronan O'Gara, Daniel Gibbons, Robert Kinch, David Dwyer, Ross Quigley, Harry Lipscomb, Seán Carolan, Conor Reynolds, Luke Callaghan, Callum Thomson

*Front row (L-R):* Jack Kennedy, Matthew O'Reilly, Andrew Boylan, Denzel Ebose, David Lally, Andrew Collier, Evin McConnon, Connel Rice. *Absent:* Jordan Kelly



Front row (L-R): Ben Nulty-Halpenny, Glen Seagrave, Evan O'Connor, Cian O'Connor, Adam Saurin, David Walsh, Daire Nally, Robert McDonnell, Cillian Walsh
Middle row (L-R): Kevin Silvester, Michael Popoola, Leon McDonnell, Cillian Leech-Haggins, Nathan Lawlor, Aaron Sharkey, Jamie Devlin, Cathal Maguire, Robert Murphy, Darragh Sullivan-McCormick
Back row (L-R): Adam McMahon, Eoin Matthews, Hubert Murphy, Przemysław Wolanin, Cole Smith, Bema Meite, Pieus Sabu, Kacper Olszewski, Michael Traynor, Tomas Straksas.
Absent: Ryan Phillips, Zain Syed, Daragh Ward



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Front row (L-R): Jason Andrews, Jamie Brady, Joshua Levins
Back row (L-R): Steven Corr, Tadhg Everitt-Thompson, Dylan Clarke
Absent: Jason Bourne, Cian Leonard, Cian Mooney, Thomas Mooney, Miroslav Oracko, Marc Rath

#### St. Vincent de Paul

A huge thank you to everybody involved with St. Vincent de Paul this year. They have done a huge amount of work. They carried out an action project in April.

"We firstly started by setting up the library the day before. It was enjoyable because we had to go out and buy the prizes. The day that the elderly people came over was an exciting day for us and for them.

We brought them up to the library. We had the tea and biscuits set up for them. We introduced ourselves to them. After a while, we started a game of bingo. Everybody had a good time. When everybody was finished Stan Goodwin played us a couple of songs. The lovely ladies sang us a song as well. One of them told a cracker of a joke also. We got pictures with some of the winners. They got to enjoy their tea and biscuits and when they were all finished. It was a fun day for all and we were invited to have tea with them another time".



**Back Row (L—R):** Ms. Tully, Neil Hodgins, Sean Black, Jack King, Matthew Leech, Conor McKenna, Daire Sharkey, Sean Healy

**Front Row (L-R):** Jack Duff, Stan Goodwin, Eoghan Ryan, Adam O'Neill, John O'Connell, James Fanning

#### **Culture Week**

St. Joseph's 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Culture Week celebrated the presence of over 30 different nationalities within the student population, reminding everyone in the school community of the valuable contribution being made by such diversity. 1<sup>st</sup> Year students in particular were highly enthused by a range of activities including workshops, music performances, presentations and sporting events. The week was officially launched by an inter-faith ceremony which was attended by students and invited guests such as the schools trustees (ERST), sponsors of the week (Drogheda Credit Union), the Parents Association, local clergy and the Boomerang Youth Café along with teachers and management. This joyous event was subsequently followed by a celebration of World Cultural Diversity Day (May 21<sup>st</sup>) during which all 1<sup>st</sup> Years received a customised T-shirt for the day. The week ended with a fun filled morning in the gym where 1<sup>st</sup> Years were treated to a high energy basketball play-off between the schools senior teams before a raucous performance by two rock 'n' roll student bands.



#### Sports Teams 2018/2019



#### Athletics

**Back row (L-R):** Danny Nugent, David Maloney, Max Butterly, Aidan McCormack

*Middle row (L-R): Ms. Daly, Sean Paul Maloney, Peter Meegan, Farai Chari, Alex Agbonifo, Eseosa Omoregbe* 

*Front row (L-R):* Adam Russel, Gideon Kabi, Hugh McClean, Tadhg Donnelly, Frank McClean, Junior Uba

#### **U14 Hurling**

**Back row (L-R):** Ms. Bugler, Jack Maloney, Warren Smith, Morgan O'Reilly, Thomas Hughes, T.J Tuite, Paul Herbert, Lithemba Mdlalo

Front row (L-R): Arón McManus, Jack Mullen, Sean Keane, James McGlew, Iollán Farrell, Shane Curtis





#### **Junior Hurling**

**Back row (L-R):** Christian McCloskey, Conor Dunne, Owen Murphy, Lee Grifferty, Leo Kelly, Destin Bisimwa, Luke Mathews, Alex McLeer

*Middle row (L-R):* Emmanuel Adegun, Harry Murphy, James Younger-Hobbs, Emmet Murray, Stephen O'Reilly, Charlie Walsh, Patrick Keane, Tadhg Martin, Ms. Bugler

**Front row (L-R):** Rory Fitzpatrick, Eoin Murphy, Charlie Mohan, Eoin Flanagan, Shane Reilly, Sean Keane

#### **Senior Hurling**

**Back row (L-R):** Conor Dunne, Mark Holahan, Shane Reilly, Neil Boylan, Tadhg Donnelly, Eoghan Ryan

*Middle row (L-R):* Mr. O'Brien, Eoin Hackett, Christian McCloskey, Steven Villaltta Garrido, Connel Rice, Evin McConnon, John O'Connell, Adam O'Neill, Ms. Bugler

*Front row (L-R):* Sean Keane, Stephen O'Reilly, Jay Hughes. Charlie Mohan, Emmet Murray, Eoin Flanagan





#### **Junior Rugby**

**Back row (L-R):** Jack Carley, Rory Fitzpatrick, Jude Woods, Coinneach Farrell, Tyler Whyte, Ms. O'Rourke

**Front row (L-R):** Marcu Maruhin, Alex Lipscomb, Tadhg Martin, Alan Foley, PJ McCrea, James Keogh

#### **Senior Rugby**

**Back row (L-R):** Shane Foley, Tomas Straksas, Harry Lipscomb, James Farrell, James Tiernan, George O'Carroll, Ms. O'Rourke

Front row (L-R): Marcu Maruhin, Gareth Lane, Ciarán McBride, Luke Rochford, Shane Lynch, Jacob Levins





#### **Junior Soccer**

**Back row (L-R):** Liam Flynn, Aidan McCormack, Cathal Reilly, Destin Bisimwa, Ultan McLaughlin

**Middle row (L-R):** Mr. Graham, James Younger Hobbs, Michael Leddy, Kyle Meegan, Ciarán Branigan, Patrick Abako, Samuel Soyemi

*Front row (L-R):* Calum Dolan, Tadhg Dunne, Alex Shanley, Tristan Rowe, Max Gardiner, Sam Reilly

#### **Senior Soccer**

**Back row (L-R):** William Kalabor, Ryan McEvoy, Emmanuel Nayarko, Cathal Broderick, Neil Hodgins

Middle row (L-R): Mr. Trainor, Michael Connolly, Bema Meite, Emmanuel Oki, Jamal Ibrahim, Adam Kirwan, Cain Murray, Eduardo Arnaiz, Mr. McDonagh

*Front row (L-R): Connel Rice, Luke Rock, Ciarán McBride, Olaipupo Dele, Alan Beattie, Eseosa* Omoregbe





#### U14 Gaelic

**Back** row **(L-R):** John Woods, Ultan McLuaughlin, Tadhg Martin, Keefer Carolan Emmet Delaney, Destin Bisimwa, Ciarán Branigan, Tadhg Gallagher, Ben McCabe

*Middle row (L-R):* Mr. Mathews, Rhys Fordham, Jake Neilon, Arraon McGlew, Liam Flynn, Seteven Kerr Rafferty, Conor McGuirk, Max Gardiner, Jamie Donagh, Mr. McCole

*Front row (L-R):* James McGlew, Paul Murphy, Evan Smith, Kyle Meegan, Luke Mathews, Zac Levins

#### U16 Gaelic

**Back row (L-R):** Shaun Smith, Jack Murphy, Eoghan Murphy, Cillian Smith, Stephen O'Reilly, Destin Bisimwa, Oisín McCann, Tadhg Martin, Kyle McElroy

*Middle* row (L-R): Mr. Farrell, Leo Kelly, Ciarán Kinsella, Matthew O'Brien, Jordan Deegan, Lee Grifferty, Gary Hilliard, Ben Savage, Ben Sheridan, Eoin Hackett

**Front row (L-R):** Keefer Carolan, Rory O'Neill, Liam Flynn, Mark Holohan, Eseosa Omoregbe, Charlie Mohan, Emmet Delaney, Eoin Flanagan, Cian Sands





#### **Senior Gaelic**

**Back row (L-R):** Jay Hughes, Cathal Maguire, Connell Rice, Adam Booth, Evin McConnon, Sean Healy

*Middle row (L-R): Mr. Heeney, Eseosa* Omoregbe, *Tadhg Donnelly, Conor Clarke, Cian Gorman, Eoghan Ryan, Neil Holdcroft* 

**Front row (L-R):** John O'Connell, Richard Clinton, Daire Nally, Adam O'Neill, Ciarán Finnegan Moonan, Conor Faulkner

#### Golf

Back row (L-R): Mr. Farrell, Calum McNamara Front row (L-R): Mitchell Carroll, Eoghan Sayers





#### U14 Gaelic

 Back row (L-R): Thomas Hughes, Timas Kokothinas, Fionn McQuillan, Evan Smith, Adam Smith, John Woods, Rory Smith, Robert McCarthy, Josh Mathews
 Middle row (L-R): Mr. Callan, T.J Tuite, Seimi Clarke, Joseph Byrne, Liam Branigan, Pearse Branigan, Sean Keane, Calum Shevlin, James McGlew, Evan Dolan, Shane Campbell, Mr. Corrigan
 Front row (L-R): Thomas Tuite, Cormac McArdle, Warren Smith, Aron John McManus, Paul Murphy, Jake Neilon, Ultan McLaughlin, Jack Mullen, Alex Mathews, Cian Cleary



#### 1st Year Basketball

**Back row (L-R):** Jack Maloney, Jesse Ikpe, Danny Nugent, Gustas Knystautas, Sean Kearnet, Lithemba Mdlalo

*Front row (L-R):* Jacob Hanratty, Warren Smith, Eoin Diskin, Cathal Leonard

#### Second Year Basketball

**Back row (L-R):** Piyapat Saoyood, Mehbub Hussain Syed, Roberts Ruta, Tristan Rowe, Cian Crinion, Ahmed Oyelola, Emmanuel Okafor, Leo Kelly, Daniel Kolesnikovs

**Front row (L-R):** Ahmed Ali Syed, Tadhg Reilly, Jamie O'Mara, Franz Queypo, Fateem Kekere-Ekun, Thomas Flanagan





#### **Chess Team**

**Back row (L-R):** Maciej Czajowski, Nikitta Koush, Frank McClean, Bailey Holcroft, Conor Reynolds

Front row (L-R): Sean Abarico, Johan Varghese, Samuel Simeon, Soga Agunloye, Bobby Brady,

#### **Third Year Basketball**

**Back row (L-R):** Sam Reilly, Felim Ryan, Daniel Back Herke, Angus Cardoso

**Front row (L-R):** Patrick Abako, Steven Adeyemo, Carl Soriano, Joshua Nino Flores





#### **Senior Basketball**

**Back row (L-R):** Eoin Hackett, Ross Boremo, Denzel Ebose, Conor Brennan, J.P Hughes

*Front row (L-R):* Nikita Koush, Arturs Smirnovs, John Prendergast, Donal Oseni

#### **Peadar McCann Awards Night**

We celebrated our annual Peadar McCann awards night on Wednesday, May 15th. It was a very successful evening where we recognised those who have excelled in the academics and extra curricular areas. We were delighted to welcome Neil Conlon back as our guest speaker. A huge thank you to Ms. O'Connor for overseeing and coordinating the night.

### Academic Achievement Awards



FIRST YEAR Back row (L-R): Mr. Kelly, Mr. Stephenson Front row (L-R): Diarmuid Davern, Cathal Leonard, Ben Bohill, Matthew Fitzpatrick, John Woods



SECOND YEAR (L-R): Tyler Whyte, Mark Counihan, Temitayo Laiyemo, Mr. Mathews, Luke Moran, Ciarán O'Sullivan



THIRD YEAR (L-R): Alex Smyth, James Ford, Steven Kinch, Mr. Sharkey, Daniel Butterly, Mr. Kelly, Conor O'Dwyer, Joshua Nino Flores



FIFTH YEAR (L-R): Liam Matillo, Frank McClean, Niall Moore, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Traynor, Liam Murray, Jack King



SIXTH YEAR

**(L-R):** Jason Andrews, Neil Holdcroft, Nathan Maguire, Tolani Oyelola, Mr. Kelly, Ms. MacNamee, Aaron Sharkey, Ron Bondoc, Evin McConnon, Seán Carolan

### Determined to Succeed Awards



FIRST YEAR (L-R): Ronan Connett, Roan Delaney, Mr. Traynor, Mr. Stephenson, Shane Curtis, Jack Mullen, Colm McKeown



SECOND YEAR (L-R): Jack Devine, Conor Farrell, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Mathews, Daniel Whelan, Thomas Flanagan



*THIRD YEAR* (L-R): Mr. Sharkey, Andrew Victory, Felim Ryan, Emmet Judge, Mr. Traynor, Toby Maguire, Colm Smith, Dominic Connor



*FIFTH YEAR (L-R): Godwill* Njekwe, Emran Moustafa, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Ryan, Matthew Leech, Jack Duff



SIXTH YEAR (L-R): Ms. MacNamee, Shaun Crabtree, Leo Franco, Jamal Ibrahim, Mr. Traynor, Robert Kinch, Hubert Murphy



TRANSITION YEAR ACTIVE ENGAGEMENT AWARD (L-R): Ronan Collins, Mr. Kelly, Joe Sayers, Mr. McCole, Conor Brennan



TRANSITION YEAR DEMONSTRATED INITIATIVE AWARD (L-R): Mr. McCole, Emmet Hall, Aaron Donnelly, Donat Sabjan, Adam Leech, Mr. Traynor



JUNIOR CERT GOLD MEDALS FOR EXCELLENCE (L-R): Frank McClean, Niall Moore, Mr. Traynor, Sean Moore



PEADAR MCCANN JUNIOR CERT WINNER (L-R): Mr. Traynor, Niall Moore



EDMUND RICE ETHOS AWARD (L-R): Nathan Maguire, Daragh McHugh, Ross Walsh, Joseph Pentony-Black, Mr. Traynor



#### THE CHARACTERISTIC SPIRIT OF THE SCHOOL AWARD

**Back row (L-R):** Enda McEnteggart, Shaun Smith, Joseph Savage, Luke Rochford, Ronan Collins, Mr. Traynor

*Front row (L-R):* Ryan Corrigan, Evan O'Reilly, Cian Rafferty, Liam Matilla, Aaron O'Rourke



PPU PRESIDENT'S AWARD (L-R): Mr. McCole, Jason Andrews, Mr. Kelly



**CREATIVE ARTS AWARD** (L-R): Mr. Neil Conlon, Robert McDonnell, Mr. Kelly



JIM HANLON CIVIC AWARD (L-R): Mr. Traynor, Michael Traynor, Mr. Niall Leonard



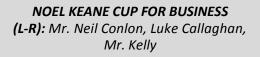
LEAVING CERT CONSTRUCTION (L-R): Andrew Boylan, Mr. Heeney



LEAVING CERT TECHNOLOGY (L-R): Mr. Traynor, Ciarán Brennan, Mr. Corrigan



JUNIOR CERT STUDENT OF THE YEAR IN MTW (L-R): Alex Carolan, Mr. Mathews





BR. HOLLAND SHIELD FOR TECHNOLOGY (L-R): Mr. Traynor, Dominic Connor, Mr. Corrigan





THE BROTHER MCKINNEY CUP FOR SCIENCE (L-R): Mr. Neil Conlon, Ross Quigley, Mr. Kelly



THE KELLIE LEONARD CONTINENTAL LANGUAGES AWARD (L-R): Ms. Thornton, Peter Finegan, Mr. Traynor



LEAVING CERT OVERALL WINNER 2018 (L-R): Mr. Neil Conlon, Cathal Doherty, Mr. Kelly



**LEAVING CERT GOLD MEDALS FOR EXCELLENCE (L-R):** Mr. Neil Conlon, Aleksandrs Kurtiss, Mother of Joshua Sokan, Cathal Doherty, Joe Linogao, Zach Keller, Tien Dinh, Mr. Kelly



JIM MOONEY MEDAL FOR ENGLISH (L-R): Ms. Hackett, Ben Mathews



JUNIOR AND SENIOR MUSIC AWARDS (L-R): Ms. Kirke, Sean Abarico, Joshua Nino Flores, Mr. Kelly



HOMEWORK CLUB (L-R): Josh Kelly-Campbell, Mr. Traynor, Jason Kelly Campbell



SENIOR PREFECTS 2018/2019 Back row (L-R): Mr. Kelly, Daragh McHugh, Alex Agbonifo, Conor McKenna, Kamal Ibrahim, Bailey Holcroft, Liam Murray, Donal Oseni, Al-Amell Oyelola Front row (L-R): Mark Soller, Samuel Simeon, Joe Sayers, Godwill Njekwe, Sean Black, Stan Goodwin, Jack Duff



**CONTRIBUTION TO MUSIC AWARDS** (L-R): Ms. Flood, Dominic Connor, Coinneach Farrell, Jack Duff, Jake Connor, James Ford, Enda McEnteggart, Daire Sharkey, Stan Goodwin, Mr. Traynor Missing: Ryan Corrigan



MEITHEAL AWARD (L-R): Mr. Sharkey, Luke Munster, Mr. Kelly



GAELIC FOOTBALLERS OF THE YEAR (L-R): Mr. Heeney, Daire Nally, Mr McCole, Liam Flynn, Mr. Kelly



HURLERS OF THE YEAR (L-R): Ms. Bugler, Shane Reilly, Leo Kelly, Sean Kerrisk Mr. Traynor



ATHLETES OF THE YEAR (L-R): Ms. Daly, Tadhg Donnelly, Danny Nugent, Mr. Traynor



**PADDY HALLINAN FIRST YEAR GAELIC** *(L-R): Mr. Kelly, Ultan McLaughlin, Mr. Corrigan* 



SENIOR SOCCER PLAYER OF THE YEAR (L-R): Mr. McDonagh, Bema Meite, Mr. Traynor



**BASKETBALL PLAYERS OF THE YEAR** (L-R): Daniel Kolesnikovs, Daniel Back Herke, Coach McGroggan, Denzel Ebose, Mr. Traynor



RUGBY PLAYERS OF THE YEAR (L-R): Mr. Kelly, Harry Lipscomb, Ms. O'Rourke, Tyler Whyte



**GYM AWARDS** (L-R): Mr. Kelly, Peter Finegan, Ms. Bugler, Marcu Maruhin, Ms. O'Rourke



**OVERALL SPORTS START OF THE YEAR** *(L-R): Mr. Kelly, Mr. Neil Conlon, Daire Nally, Mr. Heeney* 



CHESS AWARDS (L-R): Johan Varghese, Nikita Koush, Mr. Traynor, Luke Munster

#### **Chess Team Wins!**

A huge congratulations to our school chess team. St. Joseph's are 2019 Secondary School Champions. Well done everybody. A huge thank you to Brendan Reilly for his hard work and dedication.

## First year students receiving certificates of participation for their involvement in Culture Week





Congratulations to the u14 Gaelic team who created history by being the first team from St. Joseph's to win the u14 Leinster schools competition and then completed the treble by winning the Louth competition last month. Well done lads and a huge thank you to Mr. McCole and Mr. Mathews.



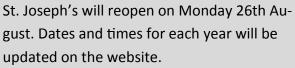
#### **Contacting the School**

Tel: 041-9837232 Fax: 041-9843891 E-mail: cbsoff2015@gmail.com Website: www.droghedacbs.ie Ms. O'Connor is responsible for the production of the school newsletters. If any student has any relevant news items they think may be suitable for future newsletters, please speak with Ms. O'Connor. A huge thank you to the Parent's Council for their work and dedication throughout the year, in particular with the India Immersion Project. Their ongoing support for the Breakfast Club enables us to provide free breakfast for all our students. If you would like to become involved please attend the A.G.M which is scheduled for September 2019. We will notify you of the exact details in due course.

A special word of thanks to staff, students and parents who have given so generously to various charities throughout the year. It is greatly appreciated. Amongst these charities include; The Irish Guide Dogs Association, Down Syndrome Ireland, St. Vincent de Paul, Drogheda Homeless Aid, Women's Refuge, the Oncology Unit in the Lourdes hospital and Arthritis Ireland.



# School Calendar



Leaving Certificate results day is Tuesday 13th August. Results will be given out from 9.30am. Please note that there has been a change from Wednesday to Tuesday for distribution of results this year.

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