

Newsletter 7 – 12th October 2020



Abbott Bursary 2020



Congratulations to Stephen Donovan who is our Abbott bursary recipient of 2020. CBS Thurles is delighted to have the support from such a prestigious company. Abbott provides this annual bursary of €1000 for four years to a CBS student who is studying Engineering at third level. Well done Stephen and good luck with your studies!



CBS Thurles Site Visit to the Hospital of the Assumption



5th Year Construction Studies students visited the site of the new extension to the Hospital of the Assumption at the invitation of Clancy Construction Director Declan Fitzpatrick. It was great to get an onsite experience and opens the eyes of our students to the reality of building large scale projects and possible future careers in the construction industry. Protocols for compliance with Covid 19 were observed and we were met by Tom Regan site safety officer where a temperature check was carried out before entry onto the site. The structure is very interesting as it is an innovative build using a Light gauge steel system which suits fast track construction projects. Being on site watching

and learning from such a building project will benefit the students understanding of Construction practice related to their subject. In the next few months, we will return for future site visits to see progress and build on the experience. Thanks to the Site Management Team, Brian, Tom and Ciaran at Clancy Construction for allowing us to gain experience of visiting a large scale construction project, for their informative talks on the new build and for opening up the eyes of our students to the possible career options in the construction industry.



Virtual open night info

Plans are on-going for our virtual open night. The school prospectus is available on our new website as well as the Admissions Policy. We will share the details of our virtual open night on all our social media platforms. The school guidance website is available on our website also and is full of useful and essential information for all senior cycle students.

Art



The 5th & 6th year Art students visited The Source on Friday to see "Hypercarbon" an exhibition by local artist Austin McQuinn. The students learned about working with bog deal to create sculptures, using ink on canvas and the careful planning of an art exhibition.



Transition Year

TY Tennis Cashel

4B had a great day out playing tennis in Cashel. Great tips from coach Jaco.



First Aid

First Aid Course continued this week for the other two classes in TY. Over the past number of years there have been some wonderful stories of our boys using their First Aid or CPR training to good effect. Its one of the most important life skills they can learn, and we hope they never need to use it.

The school defibrillator has been positioned in a new location outside the old reception office to make it more accessible to people.

Q&A with local councillor

Local Councillor Jim Ryan had a question and answer session this week with the 4C transition year group about Social and Economic issues relating to Thurles Town. Our thanks to Jim for coming in and chatting with the boys.



Prize winners from our virtual sports day last May.

Pictured are our prize winners in 2nd and 3rd year from our Virtual Sports day receiving their vouchers for Elverys sports. Well done to all the boys who participated in the various skills challenges and took part in the sports quiz. The sports day is usually one of the highlights of the year, so the PE department were keen not to miss out on having one.



Rice Cup Champions 1955

Great to get a copy of the 1955 Rice Cup winning team for the school. It was in the Tipperary Star this week. A great competition with a wonderful history. We have very few photos of Rice Cup teams from before the 1970's so it is one to be treasured. We have won more titles than any other school, but photos of the winning teams are scarce. When the present building was built in 1979 several the old photos were packed away and went missing unfortunately so a photo like this one is a great find.



A blast from the past - Thurles CBS Rice Cup team 1955

Back row: J Ryan (Fenore), S Duggan, F Quigley, W O'Grady (R), P O'Brien, T Stafford, P Moore, A Murphy, J Lanigan. Front row: P Stapleton, G Reidy, N Spain, J Fitzgerald, J Carroll (Capt.) P Doyle, F Mockler, E Ryan, M Wall, W O'Grady (W). Missing: P Grogan.

School Developments

Lots of work has taken place in the Railway field over the past month. The ditches have been cut back and the pitch has been lined. Each day this year the students have gotten great use out of the field at lunchtime or during PE class. We ask that the public do not walk dogs in the field and ask for help in monitoring people dumping rubbish illegally over the bridge.

1st Year Hurling Class League Champions

Class 1B received t-shirts from local GDA for Mid Tipperary Andy Ryan for winning the competition. Our thanks to Andy and the Tipperary county board for their constant support.

