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## **Big few days for minor footballers, minor hurlers, U20 hurlers and S&C coach**

We are so proud always of our past and present students in all their endeavours, so these few days have been particularly exciting for several our boys. Huge numbers were involved in inter county GAA action at the highest level.

Well done to Toby Lambe (Captain), Ciaran Woodlock, James Griffin, Sean Ryan, Liam McCormack, Conor Wall, Oisin Treacy on representing the Tipperary minor footballers against Clare on Saturday. Although the result did not go the boy's way it is still a massive achievement to say they represented their county in the sport they love and a dream that looked very unlikely for most of the year. Our number of representative footballers continue to rise over the past few years which we are very proud of. A number of these players have won county A football titles with the school at under 15 level over the last few years.



Well done to Jason O'Dwyer, Jack Leamy, Luke Shanahan, Stephen Ferncombe, David Fogarty, Tommy Maher, Darragh Minogue, Philip Hayes, Maidhc Fitzpatrick, Robert Doyle, Pat Ryan, Darragh Stakelum, Eddie Meagher and Joe Caesar who represented the Tipperary minor hurlers against Waterford over the weekend. They progress on to meet Limerick in the Munster final. Also, a 15<sup>th</sup> student is on the Kilkenny minor panel, David Sherman but they are not out till this weekend. This group have won Rice Cup, White Cup and Dean Ryan medals with numerous of them have two of each.

### **U20 hurlers**

We had a huge number also involved with the U20s with Mr John Devane (Manager), Richie Ruth (Selector), Mr Paddy McCormack Snr (Coach), Kevin Dunne (S&C Coach), Tomás Ryan (Physio), Devon Ryan, Eoin Purcell, Jack Morrissey, Max Hackett, Kevin Hayes, Conor Bowe, Luke Cashin, Keith Ryan and Kieran Moloney. They played against Waterford on Tuesday evening.

### **S&C Coach to the Waterford Senior Hurlers**

Well done to past pupil Tommy Ryan of the Crossfit gym in Thurles for his involvement in physically preparing the Waterford senior hurlers for the All-Ireland final against Limerick. Their levels of athleticism this year have been very noticeable in all performances. Tommy is pictured here with Liam Cahill from their time training Tipperary teams.



## BT Young Scientist 2021

A photographer from the Young Scientist competition called to the school on Friday to meet Kevin and Sean. They are working hard on their project, 'A device that will stop heat stroke in cars among young children'. The competition takes place after Christmas and we hope the lads do well with their project on this very important issue.



## Goodwill gestures and charity events

Even though as a school we have undertaken our largest ever fundraiser to pay off our €200,000 sports development it is incredible to see the goodwill and support for organisations that are taking place on a regular basis in the school. The students and staff deserve great credit for following the values of Blessed Edmund Rice in looking out for people less well off in society be they in need of support, care, comfort, or charity. Here is a sample of some of the broad range of activities going on in the school presently. It really is faith in action embracing a hands-on approach rooted in gospel-based values.

### Down Syndrome Ireland, Tipperary Branch fundraiser

All year groups are taking part in fun activities on our new astro turf facility from Friday 11<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>. Students are asked to contribute €2 to partake in the activities with all the proceeds going to the Tipperary Branch of Down Syndrome Ireland. They are currently developing a property on the Abbey Road and the photos look very impressive. We wish them all the best in their development.



### St Vincent de Paul & Carol Service



Society of St. Vincent de Paul

As we have done for many decades, the students contribute to the local St Vincent De Paul at Christmas time to help people that are in more need of support than themselves. This year unfortunately we will not be able to have our usual full school gathering and carol service due to Covid restrictions. Instead, we will have a short carol service over the intercom to mark this important time of the year.

We will still make our contribution to support this wonderful cause in the form of the Student Council a non-uniform day for this event on Friday 18<sup>th</sup>.

Dean Maxwell Nursing Home, Roscrea

Well done to 1A Religion class for making up a beautiful hamper for the Residents of Dean Maxwell Nursing Home, Roscrea. Students each wrote a letter, compiled an activity book and put together some festive treats. Well done lads!!



Suir Haven Christmas raffle

Our Christmas raffle was launched this week. All proceeds go to Suir Haven, Thurles, cancer support service. Prizes include wonderful hampers with an array of high-quality chocolates, biscuits, €50 "One for all" voucher, €20 Dunne's voucher & Mitchel House lunch vouchers!!! Please support a worthy cause @ € 1 a ticket and 3 for €2



## Bóthar

Ms Heaney and her class are fundraising for a water filtration system in the school with any additional money going to Bóthar to buy animals for families in Africa.



## TY Week plan

Our Transition years have an action-packed week with Christmas Craft Art projects taking place for each class, TY enterprise day taking place on Wednesday for the full day in the Sports Hall, a sports event taking place on Tuesday and the highlight of the week where in Home Economics, each class are cooking a full Christmas dinner and then sitting down to eat it in their class groups. The last of the TY Law modules is also taking place this week. Our thanks to the O'Reilly family of Premier Meats for sponsoring a turkey, ham, and vegetables for each class group. Fair play on such a kind and thoughtful gift to each class.



## RE Department and Festive Cheer

There is lots of festive cheer around the school. Thanks to our TY students for fabulous posters and RE department for heading it up. Lots of classes have decorated their classrooms and doors to try have the best decorated room in their year group. Some tutors have kris kindle with their students and others are having little parties to celebrate the season of goodwill. The first years have made a massive effort decorating their base class doors as competition for the top prize of a pizza party hots up!



### TY 2019 – Art Workshops

Ty in [2019/20](#) school year had four workshops in oil painting with owner artist Ann Daly of Atlantic Way Gallery in Liscannor and Rosalind Rainsford of Quay Arts. The TY's were shown lots of oil painting techniques, they explored the media and methods of application. They then went on to create 9 miniature paintings using these techniques. They chose one of these to be mounted and framed. Great demonstration of active learning and lots of fun too! Its strange looking at photos from a school setting before social distancing became the norm.





## Calendar

Final Day of term – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> December

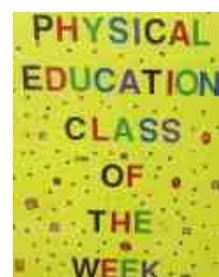
Return to school – Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January

## First Year Exams

Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	
9:00-10:35	Study in assigned seats
10:35 - 11:35	English
11:40 -11:55	<i>Morning Break</i>
12:00-1:00	Geography
1:05-1:55	Lunch
2:15 – 3:15	Wood Technology
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	
10:35- 11:35	French / German
11:40-11:55	<i>Morning Break</i>
12:00-1:00	Graphics
1:05-1:55	Lunch
2:15-3:15	Maths
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	
10:35-11:35	Home Economics
11:40 -11:55	<i>Morning Break</i>
12:00-1:00	Business
1:05-1:55	Lunch
2:55 – 3:55	Irish
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	
9:40 - 10:40	History
10:45-11:00	<b>** Earlier Morning Break</b>
11:25-12:25	Science

## PE Class of the Week

For the second week running 6C & 6D won the award for making the biggest effort in PE. After a poor start to the year, they have made a huge effort lately.



## Front Line workers

On Friday 11<sup>th</sup>, teachers showed a video message to thank all our front-line workers for their incredible work over the past year, we are all so grateful for their efforts to keep us all safe. We were delighted to take part in this national campaign to thank them.

