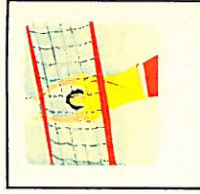


Deputy Principal: Congratulations and best wishes are extended to Mr. McGovern on his recent appointment as Deputy Principal. We wish Mr. McGovern every success in his new role. Mr. McGovern has taught English and French for many years.

Mr. Barron: The entire school community wishes Mr. Barron a very enjoyable retirement from his position as Deputy Principal of our school. Mr. Barron was fully involved in many areas of school life and we wish him and his family every happiness in the future.



GOAL: Congratulations to our students who collected €600 for GOAL on Tuesday – Jersey Day which was presented to John O'Shea on Wednesday night.

Parents Council AGM: The parents Council held their AGM on Wednesday evening and the guest speaker was John O'Shea of Goal. He proved an inspiration and issued a real challenge to parents and the entire school community regarding involvement in the wider world community.

TYO News: 58 students recently spent 2 days in the adventure centre up west in Killiary, Co. Galway. All the lads enjoyed the trip immensely and took part in outdoor pursuit activities. Many thanks to Mr. Storey, Mr. Browne and Mr. Kealy who accompanied the students.

All TYO students are currently involved in work experience on Friday's and this adds to their experience of the world of work. Many are involved in a self-defence module and many others recently collected money for local charities around Carlow town.

Hurling: The senior hurlers have had 2 victories in their three league qualifiers over Knockbeg and Clane while Naas held sway in a good game. The team reached the semi final against Wexford CBS and this game was played on Wednesday with the Wexford lads coming out on top on a scoreline of 4-12 to 2-7. While we had plenty of possession we just could not get the scores that mattered. Well done to Mr. Nolan and Mr. Hearne for all their work. The under 16's lost to Knockbeg while getting a walkover from Pres/Gaelcholaiste and played Clonaslee away on Thursday.

Football: Mr. Browne and Mr. Kinsella are busy training the senior team for their first round meeting on December 5th against Moate of Westmeath. Progress has been slow with Palatine and Eire Og involvement in the county minor final hindering training. However the focus is now definitely on that December date and all hands on deck can see the green and red advance to the second round of the 'A' championship.

The under 14 footballers play Portlaoise CBS tomorrow. Mr. Hennessey, Mr. Coffey and Mr. Ahern have picked a strong panel of 27 players who train every Tuesday and Thursday.

Golf: Mr. Roberts and Mr. McVeigh are working hard in preparing teams to represent the school. We notice that one of our best golfers is currently on crutches and we wish Alan Ffrench a speedy return to the fairways!

Date to remember : School will finish at 1.05 p.m. on Wed. 5th November to facilitate Open Night.

Handball: Every Tuesday for the next few weeks we are delighted to have the services of P.J. Donovan to introduce students to handball in the school handball court.

School Tour To Callan and Waterford. As part of our Religious Education programme for first years all 4 classes have taken part in a tour to Callan, the birthplace of Blessed Edmund Rice, the founder of the Christian Brothers. The tour also took in a visit to Mount Sion Heritage centre where the students learned more the life and times of Blessed Edmund.

Meitheal: Our Meitheal team have been very busy over the past few weeks and have started a Dodge Ball competition for first years. A soccer league is also organised and a disco in the Dome is also on the agenda.

Green Schools: *Our Green Schools Committee is up and running and are involved in various initiatives in order to secure the fourth green flag for the school. The fourth green flag is all about travel. The Green Schools Committee is currently carrying out surveys in the different year groups in order to establish how students travel to school. It is the aim of the committee that a significant change in habits will be evident as a result of the awareness raising that will be undertaken. The message is ... walk or cycle if you can.*

German Exchange: Ms. Allan and Mr. Roberts will shortly be accompanying 11 senior students to Germany on the first leg of a student exchange. The purpose of the exchange is to immerse oneself in the host country to improve ones language skills and appreciate its culture. The students will leave on Friday 31st of October for Glandorf in Germany and return on Sunday November 9th. The students will be home hosted and attend classes in the local school. A trip to Berlin has also been arranged.

Athletics: Mr. Kehoe brought 50 students to Clongowes Wood to take part in athletics recently. The athletes took part in a day designed to encourage students to participate more in athletics. Mr. Kehoe was delighted with how all the students enjoyed their day.

Basketball: Mr. Storey and Ms. Cronin have been taking the basketballers and putting them through their paces recently. The Senior team has played Portlaoise CBS twice.

Peace and Justice: The Peace and Justice group are up and running this year under the stewardship of Ms. Williamson. This group works hard in the school to raise awareness of peace and justice issues within our local and world wide communities.

Soccer: The Senior team have had a great start to their season with a 5-2 victory in the first round of the All Ireland Umbro Cup. The u-14, 16 and 19 league games will commence after the mid-term. Busy times ahead!

OPEN NIGHT
WEDNESDAY 5TH NOVEMBER
7 P.M. TO 9 P.M.
DON'T FORGET TO ENROL