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FIRST YEAR CAMOGIE



On Wednesday the 1st year Camogie 'A' team travelled to a 7-a-side pitch in Mullagh to take part in the Connacht Schools Blitz. Nineteen of us travelled which included Ciara Walsh and Tara Harte who unfortunately were injured and could not play but supported greatly from the sidelines!!

We played challenging teams including St. Brigid's V.S., Loughrea, Gort C.S., Ballinasloe and Athenry. Our team did well all round and narrowly lost against Ballinasloe by 1 point and Athenry by 2 points. The whole team would like to thank Ms. O'Sullivan for the great training and support she gave us during the year. Also next Tuesday (18th) we are playing Borrisokane C.S. in a challenge match at 2 p.m. in Marian Park.

TRÓCAIRE 24 HR FAST

A letter of acknowledgement and thanks has been received recently for the cheque for €4,750 which was collected by the students and staff of Portumna C.S. This letter can be seen in the display cabinet in the Social Area.

T.Y. RETREAT

On Thursday, 20th May, all Transition Year students will travel to Ballintubber Abbey for their annual Retreat. The bus will leave the school at 8 a.m. and return at 8 p.m. approx. All students are asked to bring rain gear and a change of shoes together with a packed lunch.

T.Y. GRADUATION MASS

On Friday, 21st May, the TY Graduation Mass will take place in Suaimhneas at 2.45 p.m. Final preparations will take place early next week.

Fr. Abe.

W.E.E.E. TALK

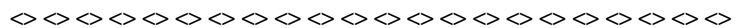


On Tuesday morning the First years had a visitor from WEEE Ireland (Waste Electric & Electrical Equipment). She was talking to us about the importance of recycling electrical goods. To recycle electrics you must bring it back to a shop or Recycling Centre where it is separated and made into new products.

In September an **Electrics Recycling Bin** will be delivered to the school and we will be encouraging everyone to bring in their **used** and **small** electrical items – phones, ipods, remote controls, etc. are wanted. (Big things such as washing machines are not wanted.)

Next week we will be going around to the Tutor classes to collect any **used Lithium Batteries** so don't forget to bring any you have in – this is an easy way to get rid of old and used batteries. We will also be collecting any used mobile phones for the Jack & Jill Foundation so don't forget to bring them in with you.

Andrew Lyons, 1st Yr.



For your info.: Galway County Council and WEEE Ireland will be holding a **free collection day** for Household Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment tomorrow, **Sat. 15th May**, in the **Portumna Co-Op Mart** from **10am to 4pm**. Anything from the home with a plug or a battery will be accepted including TVs, IT equipment, fridges, freezers, microwaves, power tools, etc.

Countdown to the State Exams
 for **Leaving & Junior Certs**:
 Only **14** school days left!



Reminder: Saturday Study continues for Leaving Certs tomorrow morning from 9.00 am until 11.30 am.

RENTED SCHOOL BOOKS



★ **First Year Students** please note that the following text **BOOKS** must be returned before the Summer holidays (3rd June): Only Irish, English, French and any subject being dropped for 2nd Year.

📌 **Junior & Leaving Certs. take note:** All rented books **must** be returned in **good condition** before 30th June (once your exams are over) to get back the deposit paid in 5th yr.

All books must be placed in a **bag** with **your name clearly marked** on the **outside!!** (It's surprising how many forget to do this!)

STUDENTS TAKE NOTE:

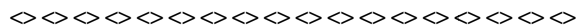
All Lockers will be soon taken back - Classes will be informed over the P.A. system when it is their turn.



Please Note that in order to get back the **deposit** your Locker **must** be **CLEANED OUT** and in good condition.

First Years will have to return both the Lock & Key .

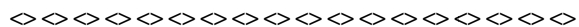
Senior students : if you have lost your locker key come along when your class is called and report this.



SIGN OUT YOUTH CAFE is open every Monday and Friday from 7.30pm to 9.30pm as a drop in space for all TY's, 5th & 6th years.

All are welcome to pop in anytime, meet up with friends, enjoy the facilities, play some soccer or just 'hang out'. You are more than welcome to bring along a film or Xbox games to enjoy on our large screen. Enquiries to 087 6779267.

Pitch bookings to 086 2051346 - special students rate of €30 apply outside Youth Cafe hours.



ATHLETICS

Good luck to our sixteen athletes who qualified for the Connacht Track & Field competition which takes place on Wednesday, 19th May, in Athlone I.T.

Next week training will take place after school on Tuesday from 4 pm to 5 pm. It is very important that all athletes attend as this is the last training before the competition.

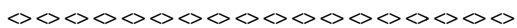


L. O'Sullivan.



5TH YEAR LCVP

DON'T FORGET: all Portfolio items (i.e. C.V., Action plan, Summary Report, Career Investigation and Work Experience Diary) **must be saved** onto the **computer system** in the school.

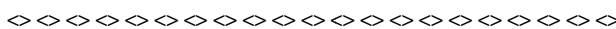


DEBS 2010 TICKETS

During next week tickets will be on sale in the Social Area at break. Full tickets are €55. If you have the €20 deposit paid, only €35 is due.

The 'Afters' tickets are €15 and available to 5th years and TYs only. Tickets will not be available after Thursday, 27th May, so make sure to buy them now.

Debs Committee

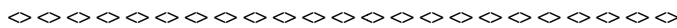


P.L.C.

The P.L.C. students finished their course today with a lovely party at break-time for the class and the PLC teachers. They showed off their culinary skills with delightful cakes etc as a thank you to the staff which was much appreciated.

The External Examiner will be coming to the school next week to moderate and monitor their projects and assignments. We wish all of the PLC class the best of luck in the future.

K. Cahalan

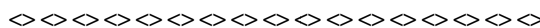


COARSE FISHING

Are you looking for something different to do this summer? How about learning how to **COARSE FISH**?

2 and 4 day Beginner courses will be held throughout the summer in the Portumna Area and will consist of theory and practical bank-side lessons. All tackle and bait is supplied. Learn about: Different techniques; How to target certain species; What bait and tackle to use; Water Safety; How to protect the environment and fish stocks.

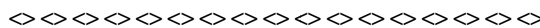
Open to Adults and Children (ages 10 yrs upwards). Monday - Friday : 10.30 - 5.30 pm. Weekends : 11 - 6 pm. To book or for further details contact Mike on 087 3121595 or 090 9759596.



L.C.V.P. TRIP

On Wednesday last, two 5th year L.C.V.P. classes travelled to Gauntlet Paintballing in Terryglass, accompanied by Mrs. Cahalan and Ms. Leyden, to find out more about the business. It was an enjoyable day with all of us learning how they set up and run the business. We got a full tour of the grounds and also a demonstration, but to our disappointment did not get to participate ourselves! A big thank you to Mrs. Cahalan and Ms. Leyden for bringing us.

5th yr.



Events Diary: (15th – 21st May)

- Tues. 18th : LCA Exams – French Oral @11 a.m.; English & Communication @ 1.30 pm.
- Wed. 19th : LCA Exams – I.T. Practical Performance & Written Test
- Wed. 19th : Connacht Track & Field Finals in Athlone I.T.
- Thurs. 20th : School finishes for students at 12.20 pm.
Parent-Teacher Meeting for Parents of 5th year students (L.C. year 1).
- Thurs. 20th : T.Y. Retreat to Ballintubber Abbey. Bus leaving @ 8 am.
- Fri. 21st : 2nd Yr. Hurling Final Vs St. Brigid's V.S. in Ballinasloe @ 12 noon.
- Fri. 21st : 1st Yr. Hurling Final Vs. Gort C.S. @ 2 pm.

