

## OLIVER

How many song titles from Oliver can you find for a chance to win two free tickets?

In this alternative preview to our annual school musical we want you to see how many song titles and well known lines from the show you can find below? You can win two tickets for a night of your choice (Thurs. or Fri.) by emailing the answer to [info@portumnacs.com](mailto:info@portumnacs.com) - we will take entries up to 9 pm tonight. You don't need to quote the exact lines, just tell us how many. The winner (the seventh correct answer received) will be posted shortly after 9 pm. Please note we have, in the interest of fairness, omitted all the necessary quotation marks from this piece:

*Is it worth the waiting for? – Absolutely and you don't have to wait much longer for next week's eagerly anticipated performances of Oliver. Demand for tickets, as expected has been very high, there isn't a lot to spare, who cares whatever we got we share. As always you will receive a great welcome, in fact you can consider yourself at home once you arrive at the show.*

*So confident are we that the audience will enjoy the performances that we wouldn't be surprised if we hear them say, we'll be back soon, as they leave. The cabaret night as always is proving very popular, at first we were asked who will buy these special tickets but every year the show is a sell out. The audience may not admit to it but is it because of the food, glorious food? In fact sitting at the show in the opulent surroundings one could say it's a fine life, we cannot guarantee however that requests of I want some more can be met.*

*The cast have been working really hard and are totally dedicated to the success of the show, one member was even heard to say: I'd do anything to ensure that it is a real success.*

*If (like me) you think this was a really awful attempt at an alternative preview of the show and you know who wrote it, please – nobody mention my name.*



### CABARET NIGHT (ADULTS ONLY)

Win 2 tickets for our Cabaret Night  
(worth €40)

On Wednesday night we will have the traditional Cabaret performance of our school musical. This, we believe, is a unique event in Irish school theatre where the audience are seated cabaret style in a candle lit setting. There will a cheese and wine reception for guests on arrival and finger food at the interval.

Tickets for this event are in very high demand every year, but due to the nature of the event have to be strictly limited. This year we are offering two free tickets to the first correct answer received, by email, to a question which will be posted on the school website at 9.00pm this evening. To take part in this competition simply log on to the school website at this time and follow the instructions – [www.portumnacs.com](http://www.portumnacs.com). Best of luck!

## SENIOR CAMOGIE PANEL

Note: Training in the Gym on Thursday at 1.25 pm sharp. Bring Boots. All must attend.

**CROSS COUNTRY** training is cancelled for next week – resumes the following week.

F.Y.I.

There will be **NO SCHOOL** on Monday, 8th December.

### PLEASE NOTE:

*1<sup>st</sup> year and LCA1 students, not involved in the Musical, are to stay at home on Tuesday to facilitate the Matinee. A letter was issued to their parents during the week regarding this.*

### CALENDAR

A school calendar to cover the remainder of the school year including parent/teacher meetings etc will be issued to all parents next week.

### OPEN DAYS IN DECEMBER

6<sup>th</sup> – Dublin Institute of Technology  
9<sup>th</sup> – Waterford Institute of Technology  
9<sup>th</sup> – Student Seminar – Engineers Ireland  
10<sup>th</sup> – Better Options – AHEAD  
10<sup>th</sup> – Trinity College Dublin (Open Day)  
16<sup>th</sup> – Trinity College Dublin – For Mature Students:  
Info on studying Clinical Speech & Language Studies; Maths, Theoretical Physics, Engineering & Science; Pharmacy.  
Check [www.qualifax.ie](http://www.qualifax.ie) for further details.

### CONCERN DEBATING

Well done to the T.Y. debating team – Daniel Eames, Maria Whelan, David Burke and Maria Dervan – for a great performance in the Concern Debate held in the school on Tuesday night. Unfortunately, the team, who were proposing the motion that *‘The bebo generation cares little for the developing world’*, lost out narrowly to the opposition – Tullamore College.



## CANTEEN IRELAND



In need of some Christmas Cards?

Why not buy some cards that are for charity?

Yet again this year CanTeen Ireland Christmas Cards are on sale in the Social Area. These cards are all designed by members of CanTeen. The cards cost only €5 for a pack of 5 large or a pack of 8 small cards. CanTeen Ireland is a Teenage Cancer Support Group for Teenagers from the ages of 12 to 25 years old. It is a great way for teenagers to interact with each other and share stories about their illnesses. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

### CSPE TRIP

On Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup>, the Third Year Civics classes will be travelling to the Dáil and Leinster House in Dublin. This is part of our Junior Certificate Action Project and we are eager to find out more about the Irish Government system. We will be meeting a member of the Dáil and be given the opportunity to ask him a series of questions.

The bus will be departing from the school at 9.15 am and hope to return around 7 pm.

Yvonne Connors, Christopher Treacy,  
Timmy Ryan, Sarah Clarke (3<sup>rd</sup> Yrs)

### ADVENT

Our Christmas Liturgies will begin on Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> December. Throughout that week each class will be invited to Suaimhneas to enter into the spiritual atmosphere in preparation for Christmas. Carol singing will also play an important role during these liturgies

Fr. Abe

*Students, collect all bags, coats, etc. from around the school before you leave each Friday. All unclaimed property will be gathered and disposed of at Christmas. Make sure you collect your belongings and take them home.*

*“Intelligence plus character – that is the goal of true education.” Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.*

### Events Diary: (6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Dec.)

- Sat. 6<sup>th</sup> – Safe Pass Course @ 8.15 am
- Mon. 8<sup>th</sup> – No School. Dress rehearsal for Musical.
- Tues. 9<sup>th</sup> – Third Year CSPE Trip to Dublin @ 9.15 am.
- Tues. 9<sup>th</sup> – Matinee Performance of the Musical for National Schools @ 11.30 am.
- Wed. 10<sup>th</sup> – Musical Cabaret Night @ 8.00 p.m. (Adults Only – book in advance)
- Thurs. 11<sup>th</sup> & Fri. 12<sup>th</sup> – Public Performances of School Musical @ 8 pm

