



Our Lady's Templemore



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A Message for the Principal

Welcome to the summer edition of our newsletter. As we reflect on the school year 2023-2024 we celebrate and rejoice the wonderful learning our students have experienced. Starting the school year with fantastic Leaving Cert Results from the class of 2023, moving into a new building with state of the art resources, our school musical Footloose, an All-Ireland camogie title and various community and cultural activities the school year has been exciting and busy for students and teachers alike.

I would like to thank the students their parents /guardians and families who have engaged in all aspects of what Our Lady's has to offer both in the classroom and beyond. I would like to complement their teachers who leave no stone unturned to ensure every student who comes into our school gets a fair chance. Finally, I would like to wish the best of luck to our Leaving Certs and Junior Certs as they approach their state exam. I am confident that they will do their best.

Paul Fogarty, Principal

Scholarship

Congratulations to Leaving Certificate 2022 student Tommy Martin who was the recipient of Entrance Scholarship Award from University College Dublin in February. This was based on his exceptional Leaving Certificate Results. Marton is now studying Veterinary Science in UCD. All at Our Lady's are very proud of Tommy and wish him the best for his future studies and career.



All-Ireland Senior Camogie Champions 2024 – Ms Martina Butler, Eimear Hassett (joint captain), April Glasheen (joint captain), Mr Paul Fogarty.



CLASS OF 2024 – Congratulations to the Class of 2024, who celebrated their Graduation Ceremony on Friday the 17th of May. We wish the class of 2024 every success in the Leaving Certificate and in everything they do in the future.

Senior Cycle Awards

We were delighted to hold our annual Senior Awards Ceremony in May. The awards recognised both the academic achievements of our Senior Students as well as contributions they have made to school life. We were delighted to welcome Ken Hogan for the occasion. Congratulation to all students who received an award.



Sixth Year Academic Awards 2024 – Mr Paul Fogarty (Principal), Cathal Ryan, Martina Butler (Deputy Principal).



Fifth Academic Awards 2024 – Mr Paul Fogarty (Principal), Ken Hogan, Valeria Cucuccio, Petra Bihari, Martina Butler (Deputy Principal).



LCA Awards 2024 – Mr Paul Fogarty (Principal), Ken Hogan, Jonathan Cawley (Leaving Certificate Applied 2 student of the year), Claire Tierney (Leaving Certificate Applied 1 student of the year), Ms Martina Butler (Deputy Principal).



Sixth Year Awards 2024 – Mr Paul Fogarty (Principal), Ken Hogan, Aoife Bergin (Sr. Catherine McAuley Award), Conor Gleeson (Br Edmund Rice Award), Ms Martina Butler (Deputy Principal).



Fifth Year Awards 2024 – Mr Paul Fogarty (Principal), Ken Hogan, Aoihe Matthews (Sr Helen Kennedy Award), Donnchadh Broderick (Dr Jim O'Shea Award), Ms Martina Butler (Deputy Principal).



CEIST Award 2024 – Mr Paul Fogarty (Principal), Ken Hogan, April Glasheen (CEIST Award), Ms Martina Butler (Deputy Principal).



Sportspersons of the year award – Mr Paul Fogarty, Ken Hogan, Jamie Ormond, Eimear Hassett and MS Martina Butler



Music Contribution Award – James Grey and Art Contribution Award – Zuzanna Wawrzyniek- pictured with Mr Paul Fogarty, Ken Hogan and Ms Martina Butler

Junior Cycle Awards

In May we held our end of year Junior Cycle Awards. We were delighted to Denis Kelly as our guest speaker. Congratulations and well done to all students who received an award.



CEIST award – Denis Kelly, James Leahy, Ms Anne Marie Johnston and Mr Paul Fogarty



Third year Yearhead Academic Award – Denis Kelly, Medbh Leonard, Ms Anne Marie Johnston and Mr Paul Fogarty



Music Contribution Award – Laurie Mullen and Art Contribution Award – Shagufta Ghina, pictured with Denis Kelly, Ms Anne Marie Johnston and Mr Paul Fogarty



First year Yearhead Academic Award – Mr Paul Fogarty, Saibh Dunne-Buckley, Ms Caroline O'Hara



Second year Yearhead Academic Award – Denis Kelly, Róisín Percy, Ms Martina Butler and Mr Martin Burke





Left to Right: Officially Opening the new extension: Mr Willie Butler Chairperson of BOM, Ms Patricia Higgins Assistant General Secretary of JMB, Ms Martina Butler Deputy Principal and Mr Paul Fogarty Principal

Our Lady's Secondary School Opens new AS Facilities and New School Extension

Our Lady's Secondary School marked a significant milestone on 22nd March 2024 with the unveiling of its state-of-the-art facilities, a beacon of progress for inclusive education. The new amenities are tailored to support students with Autism, fostering an environment where they can thrive alongside their peers in mainstream classes. This initiative not only bridges the gap for those with complex needs but also enriches the learning landscape for all students. The recent expansion of Our Lady's educational facilities includes the addition of seven new classrooms, each designed with an emphasis on creating a bright and airy learning environment. The facility is a testament to the school's commitment to providing holistic education and support, and it stands as a beacon of progress in the realm of special needs education and community engagement.



Our Lady's Students enjoying the new facilities at Our Lady's Templemore Oisín Scully, Alana Womack, Tim Meehan, Emma Burke and Rebecca Hoare.

CEIST Student Leadership Conference



Donnchadh Broderick, Isabelle Adlum and Aoibhe Matthews who all members of our Student Council represented our school today at the CEIST Student Leadership Conference in St Patrick's College Drumcondra. The theme for this year's conference was 'Making a difference - Our CEIST values in action. Our Student's joined pupils from 107 schools across Ireland and attended lectures and workshops based on leadership initiatives that are taking place in different schools and how students are leading school projects on issues of concern in society.

Certified Irish Angus School Competition

Huge congratulations to our TY students Andrew Murray, Thomas Bohan, John Cleere and Henry Meade who were one of 43 groups that were called forward to exhibit their project ideas at the next stage of the Certified Irish Angus Schools Exhibition to a panel of Agri-food industry experts in Croke Park on the 1st of March, 2024.



John Cleere, Andre Murray, Thomas Bohan and Henry Meade.

For their stand in Croke Park the group focused on 'How the Angus breed can reduce carbon emissions'. Well done to the boys and their mentor Mr John-Joe Ryan.



Mr John-Joe Ryan, Thomas Bohan, Andrew Murray, Henry Meade and John Cleere

Whole school inspection MLL Report

The School warmly welcomes the Report of the Inspectorate issued following the inspection of management, leadership and learning in the school which was held in December 2023.

We were delighted and motivated by the resounding endorsement the Department of Education and Skills gave to Our Lady's, firmly placing us as a school at the forefront of education in Ireland.

The Board of Management welcomes the acknowledgement of the very positive relationships which exist in the school between students, staff, management, parents, Board of Management and trustees. The Report recognises the commitment to student care which is central to the life of the school community, creating an inclusive environment where students felt safe and empowered to participate in school life. The report also acknowledges the dedication and hard work of the staff and the quality of teaching and learning across the school.

Teaching & Learning



Throughout this academic term, students in all year groups have been provided with Study Sessions and guidance to develop Revision Plans in preparation for the upcoming School and State Exams, working closely alongside their tutors.

Furthermore, students in the 3rd, 5th, and 6th years have participated in personalised meetings with members of the Learning to Learn committee. These one-on-one discussions have centered around refining revision strategies, reinforcing study dedication, and receiving comprehensive academic support tailored to individual needs.



SPORT AT OUR LADY'S

All-Ireland Glory



On Saturday, February 24th, Our Lady's Templemore secured an All Ireland Championship title by defeating Our Lady of Lourdes, Rosbercon in the Donal Burke Cup. This victory marked their first senior title since 2014. The team represented themselves, their families,

clubs, and school admirably. Local camogie clubs, Templemore, Roscrea, Moneygall, Drom & Inch, Toomevara, Slevie Fhelim and of course St Brigids, Rathdowney all stood tall as girls delivered great pride to their community. Coached by Avril Kinnerk, Amy Quinlan, and Aoife Campion, the

girls promoted camogie and girls' participation in sports.

Our All Ireland champions received a warm welcome back to Templemore, led by the Thomas McDonagh Pipe band, with celebrations involving students, teachers, and families.

Athletics

Huge success at this year's Munster Track and Field Athletics held in Templemore Athletics ground. Congratulations to the following students who really excelled and qualified for the All-Irelands in 2 weeks time.

Bobbie Gleeson got a new Personal best of 53.54 in the hammer to win gold in the intermediate Boys. While on the track, Fionn Slevin produced an amazing finish in the 800m junior boys to take the silver. Joe Burke did the double in the 100m and 200m in the intermediate Boys.

Well done to all the students who represented Our Ladys on the day. It was a great achievement for those who made it to the Munsters. Best of luck to the boys in the All-Ireland.



JOHN PAUL II AWARDS

The John Paul II students have shown huge commitment to the programme over the past year, it is a faith achievement award for young people between the ages of 16-18. The school management always provide wonderful support, helping it to be a great success. The students have been hardworking, lighthearted and committed. Above all they worked as a team of friends always hailing the John Paul 2 "Spirit of Generosity". We are so proud of this group of young people and the ease by which they carry out their activities.

They have carried out a multiplicity of tasks both in our school and in their parishes including a fulfilled Bogathon fundraiser for Mary's Meals Charity, a celebration of Ceiliuradh Ceist by making and selling St Brigid's Crosses in aid of The Red Cross, a Coffee Morning for those who have been displaced, a Taize Service and reading at mass and on the school intercom. They have been involved in musicals, sporting events, training teams, tidy towns and Tractor Runs. We concluded the year with a Pilgrim Walk in Upperchurch

followed by an Awards Ceremony in our local church. We had 49 Gold Award recipients and 14 Papal Award recipients. A word of special thanks to Ms. Tina Fogarty, Ms. Shauna Bourke, Ms. Sinead Harding, Mr. Declan Leamy and Ms. Amy Quinlan for their tireless work and support as leaders of the John Paul 2 Programme. We cannot forget to thank Fr. Vincent Stapleton, who coordinates this Programme in our Diocese.

Tina Fogarty



John Paul II students presented €2,500 to Mary's Meals



John Paul II Ceremony



John Paul II students completed a Bogathon to raise funds for Mary's Meals



John Paul II students completed pilgrimage walk in Upperchurch

Our Lady's Templemore Presents

BARRY MANILOW'S

COPACABANA

Wed. 16th, Thurs. 17th & Fri. 18th of October 2024 @ 8pm

Doors Open 7.30pm

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