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ON TOP OF THE WORLD

Each year, CBC takes great pride in the outstanding success enjoyed by our students in State examinations. On 2 September this year, three weeks later than usual, the Class of 2022 took its well-earned place in that proud tradition of excellence.

The achievements of our Leaving Certs are a fitting reward for a highly talented cohort of pupils who have brought honour to themselves, their families and to their school. Despite experiencing a unique and especially difficult set of challenges, it is a mark of their ability, resilience and maturity that they met these issues head on and produced such exceptional results.

Many recent past pupils paid a visit to the College to celebrate their success with parents and teachers, including Leonardo Mottareale who achieved an impressive 8H1 grades. Fearghal Desmond, who also attained 8H1s, received his results in Oxford where he was competing in an international Debating meet. With such excellent results, including 38 pupils achieving in excess of 600 points, it was no surprise that there were a lot of reasons to celebrate on the day.



(L-R): Conor Callanan, Callum Murphy, Cian O'Mahoney, Shane Kingston, Donagh Griffin, James Crotty, Leonardo Mottareale, Finn Whooley, James Ryan, Luke Andrews, Eoin McCarthy, Seán Murphy.

Inset: Fearghal Desmond.

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This year's results are all the more impressive when they are compared to the national average. At a time of uncertainty where so much speculation surrounded the State exams, it was gratifying to see CBC students' achievements stand head and shoulders above the results attained nationally.

This level of success does not happen by accident and it does not happen everywhere. The unique spirit of partnership in CBC between students, teachers, parents and other stakeholders makes an enormous contribution to creating a climate where the highest of standards are encouraged and

acknowledged, and where pupils can thrive in a supportive and nurturing environment.

Sincere thanks to all our staff for their ongoing work in supporting our students throughout their time in CBC.

Leaving Cert 2022 Highlights

- 2 pupils each attained 8H1 Grades
- 3 pupils each achieved 7H1 Grades
- 13 pupils attained the maximum 625 points
- Average points per pupil: 507
- National Average Comparison
 - 600+ CBC: 24% Vs 5.5% Nationally
 - 500+ CBC: 53% Vs 25.2% Nationally

APPOINTMENTS & RETIREMENTS

Mr Tom Casey

At the end of the 2021/22 school year, Mr Tom Casey resigned his position in CBC to take on a new role as Deputy Principal in Midleton CBS. Tom joined the CBC community in 1995 when he began his teacher training in the College and over the years made a huge contribution to school life as a teacher of Geography, English and CSPE, as Department Head and in a range of extra-curricular activities, particularly Rugby. As Parents Council Staff Liaison, Tom worked with the parent body and staff in a number of initiatives, and the biennial CBC Careers Fair developed substantially during his tenure. Tom was also instrumental in CBC becoming the first second level school to introduce Consent Workshops which now form an important part of Second and Fourth Year programmes each year. More recently as Assistant Principal, Tom served as Wellbeing Coordinator and promoted teacher professional development through his work with the Learning and Teaching Committee.



On behalf of all in CBC, we congratulate Tom on his success, thank him for his service over the years and wish him the very best of luck in his new role.

Mr Fiontán O'Meachair

In June 2022, Mr Fiontán O'Meachair retired as a member of the CBC teaching staff.

Throughout his 27 years in the College, Fiontán taught Irish and English and made a significant contribution to the promotion of the Irish language among the school community. An accomplished traditional musician, Fiontán's love of Irish culture was evident in his involvement in numerous school events. In later years, Fiontán joined the SEN Department and was a valued member of the Core Team. On behalf of all in CBC, we wish Fiontán the very best in his retirement and thank him for his contribution to school life.



agus bhí ardmheas ag daltaí agus ag múinteoirí ann air.

Ar son phobal na scoile, ba mhaith linn ár mbuíochas a ghabháil leis as ucht na hoibre go léir a rinne sé sa scoil agus guímid gach rath air sa toadhchá.

I mí an Mheithimh 2022, d'éirigh An tUasal Fiontán Ó Meachair as a phost i gColáiste na mBráithre Críostaí. Chaith Fiontán seacht mbliana is fiche ag múineadh sa scoil agus ba mhór an chabhair a thug sé do theanga na Gaeilge i measc phobal na scoile i rith an ama sin. Ceoltóir den chéad scoth é agus bhí paisean as cuimse aige sa cheol traidisiúnta, rud a bhí soiléir sna himeachtaí cultúrtha a d'agraigh sé sa scoil. Chaith Fiontán cúpla bliain sa Roinn Riachtanais Speisialta Oideachais

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT 2020-2023

Dr Larrie Martin, *Chairperson*,
Mr David Lordon, *Principal / Secretary of BOM*,
Dr Owen Crotty, *Trustee Nominee*,
Mrs Una Feeney, *Trustee Nominee*,
Ms Colette Synnott, *Trustee Nominee*,
Mr Russell Foley, *Teacher Representative*,
Ms Clodagh Bergin, *Teacher Representative*,
Ms Janet Frawley, *Parent Representative*,
Ms Joan Byrne, *Parent Representative*,
Ms Sharon McAdoo, *Principal/Preparatory Teacher Representative*,
Mr Colin Murphy, *Preparatory School Parent Representative*.

PARENTS' COUNCIL 2022-2023

Parents Council Chairperson: Ms Lynda O'Donnell

Members: Ms Rosario Kieilty, Ms Cliona Conway, Ms Eleanor Turnbull, Ms Elmarie Kilbride, Ms Ide Ní Riáin, Ms Ita Gubbins, Ms Thérèse McGrath, Mr Damien Sheehan, Ms Jennie Kelleher, Ms Sarah Lynch.

CBC REMEMBERS

Mr Anthony Flanagan, RIP 24 October 2022

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

SCHOOL CAPTAIN **SCHOOL VICE-CAPTAIN**

Jonathan O'Shaughnessy

Eoin O'Sullivan



STUDENT COUNCIL 2022-2023



Back Row (L-R): Ali Haroun, Eoin O'Sullivan, Jonathan O'Shaughnessy, James Kelleher, Mr Donal O'Mahony (*Deputy Principal*).

Front Row (L-R): Cathal Lyons, James Fairtlough, Diarmuid Lester.

MISNEACH TEAM



Back Row (L-R): Jason Zhang, Euan Harrison, Matthew Keenan, Vincent Leahy, David O'Connor, Ryan O'Brien.

Front Row (L-R): Sulaiman Sharif, TJ Enright, James Fairtlough, Tom McLoughlin, Conor Cullinane, Mr Trevor Hussey.

MEITHEAL TEAM



Back Row (L-R): Liam Cassidy, Eoghan O'Brien, Ben O'Donoghue, Jack O'Callaghan, Fionán Conlon Barry.

Front Row (L-R): Jonathan Walsh, Alistair Barclay, Tadhg O'Brien, Darragh Browne, Paul Scanlan.

SCHOOL LIFE & ACTIVITIES

2021-2022

NAUGHTON SCHOLARSHIP

Congratulations to Fearghal Desmond from the Class of 22 who has been awarded a prestigious Naughton Scholarship. The Scholarship programme recognises a number of exceptional students who intend to study engineering, science and technology undergraduate degree programmes.



INTERNATIONAL CHEMISTRY OLYMPIAD

Fearghal Desmond brought further success to CBC when he was awarded Silver medal in the Irish Chemistry Olympiad and Bronze Medal in the International Chemistry Olympiad.

DEBATING – IRISH TEAM ON WORLD SCHOOLS

Following the tradition of international Debating success in CBC, Fearghal Desmond was selected as a member of the Irish team to take part in the World Schools Debating Championship. Team Ireland were quarter finalists in this year's competition only defeated by Hong Kong who went on to win the World title.

NEW SECONDARY SCHOOL STAFF

2022-2023



Back Row (L-R): Mr Alex Denby (*PE & French*), Ms Isabel Calvert (*English*), Ms Lena Sylejmani (*German*), Ms Eileen Tarrant (*Careers Guidance*).

Front Row (L-R): Mr Robert Nagle (*PE & History*), Ms Emma O'Brien (*Business & Geography*).

Inset: Ms Eimear Hayes (*Physics*), Mr Brian Manger, (*Maths & SEN*).

ALL-IRELAND TEAM MATHS HONOURS

The College celebrated much success in Maths again this year. Senior students Pdraig Buckley, Fionn Kimber O'Shea, Fearghal Desmond and Callum Murphy were crowned **All Ireland Team Maths Champions 2022**, continuing the tradition of CBC success which included a three-in-a-row in 2016, 2017 and 2018. Further success followed

with Richard Buckley, Euan Harrison, George Beardsworth and Fionn Kimber O'Shea winning the **All Ireland Junior Applied Maths** title. Fionn also achieved outstanding individual success by winning the **Irish Maths Olympiad** and being appointed Captain of Team Ireland for the **International Maths Olympiad**.



LEARNING AND TEACHING COMMITTEE

The purpose of the Learning and Teaching Committee is to promote and develop all aspects of learning and teaching in the College. To do this, the aim is to be aligned with current educational thinking, be willing to engage with all stakeholders in the College and to share learnings. Teacher professional development lies at the heart of the Committee's work and in particular openness to learning opportunities, wherever they are found; through peer observation within the school or further afield.

Staff members have engaged with the Instructional Leadership programme, Magenta Principles and have been awarded for their work in the Learning Schools Project. Under the Leargas ERASMUS+ programme, CBC staff were awarded significant funding to

develop their professional development through observing and sharing best practice with schools abroad. During October break, ten staff members travelled to Finland for this purpose and during the Easter Holidays and in June, two further teaching groups will visit education centres of excellence in Lithuania and Netherlands.

In support of our students, a comprehensive Academic Tracking programme is run for all Third, Fifth and Sixth Year pupils. The programme consists of a series of one-to-one meetings with dedicated staff who support pupils in a process of reflection, target setting and review. The purpose of Academic Tracking is to support students in applying a more focused, target-driven approach to their learning goals.



GAEILGE

Ba mhór an ceiliúradh a bhí againn sa scoil do Sheachtain na Gaeilge. Bhain daltaí agus múinteoirí na scoile taitneamh agus tairbhe as tráth na gCeist boird, cluichí teanga, turas go Gael Taca chun bualadh leis an údár cáiliúil, Gearóid Cheaist Ó Catháin, podchraoltaí a chruthú agus ranganna amhránaíochta. Beatha teanga í a labhairt. A great celebration was had by all for Seachtain na Gaeilge. Both students and teachers enjoyed Irish quizzes, games, competitions, creating podcasts, Irish songs and a talk from the famous author, Gearóid Cheaist Ó Catháin.



FINANCE AWARD

Senan Skalkos won an award from the Chartered Institute for Securities and Investment. Senan's award recognises excellence in the Institute's exams which he sat while in Fifth Year. Senan received his award at a ceremony at the Irish Stock Exchange in Dublin.



GLOBAL YOUTH LEADERS CONFERENCE

Ben Warren Flynn was selected to represent Ireland at the Global Young Leaders Conference in New York and Washington. 145 nations took part in this 10 day programme which was sponsored by the George Mason University. Delegates attended a series of workshops and presentations on global issues and debated a range of contemporary diplomatic, social and economic issues.



TY PLAY – ALONE IT STANDS

This year's Transition Year production of *Alone It Stands* will long be remembered by all who were fortunate to attend one of the performances in the College hall in April of this year. Directed by Mr Trevor Hussey, the show was produced by Fourth Year Harry Walsh whose absolute commitment was a source of inspiration to all involved.

Huge credit is due to the cast who worked so hard throughout the production. Despite the great commitment required, their tireless resolve to improve and push through the challenges was testament to their collective character. Our cast was supported by the work of a very talented Technical Team and Props Team. Sincere thanks to all staff members who

assisted in any way, including Production Manager and Set Director, Mr Peter Martin, TY Year Head Mr Russell Foley and our caretaking and administrative team. A big 'thank you' to Mrs Anna O'Brien for leading the PR Team again this year. Once again, the support of TY Co-ordinator, Mr. Stephen Hogan, was invaluable and played no small part in guiding the play to the success it enjoyed.

Alone It Stands can be regarded as a production which has shown the intrinsic good and unique giftedness of young people, something which, we hope, will leave a positive and profound mark on the lives of the students involved into the future.



UCC CI 15TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

In October, the CBC Choir and Orchestra were delighted to join UCC Confucius Institute for a special concert to mark its 15th anniversary. 46 CBC pupils displayed their considerable talents on the night, performing three pieces which showcased Irish music culture, culminating in a wonderful rendition of Sean Davy's *'Rivers in the Rock Pool'*. Many



thanks to Ms Catherine Costello and Mr Martin Boyle for their work in preparation for this event.

SPACE SURVEYOR AND SATELLITE WORKSHOP

5*S (Space, Surveyor, and Students - STEM and the Sustainable Development Goals) is an SFI/ESERO funded collaboration introducing students to Copernicus data, GIS, and the UN SDGs. CBC was fortunate to secure a three day visit from Geomentors from Maynooth University in September. 450 students attended workshops to demonstrate the uses of satellite earth observation and GIS to explore environmental issues and their long term effects. The presenters used an augmented reality app to visualise space based data in an engaging way.



LEGO ROBOTICS

The core values award was won by LEGO ROBOTICS First Year students in the Cork regional final of the first Lego League. Rory Lane, Peter Rigney, Tim Roedig, Jasiu Skrzyszewski and Darragh Forbes competed in the tournament which was held in UCC.



FRENCH DELEGATION

We were delighted to host a delegation from the French Embassy in May. As part of the promotion of the Paris 2024 Olympic Games, we were treated to an exhibition from the French Tae Kwon-do Champion, Ms Melodie Rand. Other members of the delegation included Mariam Diallo, Cultural Counsellor with the Embassy of France in Dublin, Josselin Le Gall, Honorary Consul of France in Cork, Valerie David McGonnell, AIPLF President and Alliance Francaise de Cork President and Clovis Lereculer, Cultural Project manager with the Embassy of France. The event was followed by a reception in Cork City Hall where the delegation and CBC staff were welcomed by Lord Mayor Cllr Deirdre Forde.



DISCOVER CORK HISTORY

Paul Scanlan and Jack O'Callaghan won 1st and 2nd in the Senior Section of the Discover Cork Schools Heritage Project.



WELLBEING

The CBC Wellbeing programme focused on supporting all year groups throughout the academic year and aimed to promote and develop an optimistic approach to life and problem solving, developing resilience and strength of character. Students were encouraged to seek support and help in a climate of trust.

Each Junior Cycle class has its own dedicated Mentor teacher with special responsibility for a class group. Through the Mentor programme, students were provided with additional supports to help them through the challenges of working in a Covid school context.

TY students were supported through a

dedicated Buddy System where each Fourth Year teacher undertook to mentor a small number of students, linking in with them over the course of the year and developing valuable pupil-teacher relationships.

A range of activities was rolled out for students, including coffee and hot chocolate stations on a number of occasions and the return of the highly popular CBC Sports Day which was held in the Mardyke Sports Complex in May.

The College was also proud to roll out the UCC Bystander Intervention Programme for TY students this year. This program provides training, education and other resources on how to step in, speak up and support others in situations of sexual misconduct.

CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

In keeping with the ethos of our founder, Blessed Edmund Rice, we are proud of the efforts of students and staff to support a broad range of worthwhile causes throughout the year. This past year, in excess of €25,000 was raised, with money going to organisations including Down Syndrome Ireland, West Cork Rapid Response, Surgeon Noonan, Motor Neuron Disease Association and L'Arche.



Mr James Hanley, representing Down Syndrome Cork, accepting a donation from the CBC Charitable Activities Committee during their visit to the Field of Dreams facility.

FRENCH DEBATING

As Team Captain and President of Christian Brothers French Debating Club, Senan Skalkos was awarded a 'Meilleur Orateur de l'Année' prize by Alliance Française de Dublin. This prize is won by the best speakers of the Joutes Oraires French Language Debating Competition.



GAISCE

Our Transition Year students once again engaged enthusiastically with the Gaisce President's Awards and were presented with Bronze medals for their

engagement in community involvement and personal and physical development. Students are supported by TY Coordinator Mr Stephen Hogan.



FIRST YEAR DAY 2022

Tuesday 30 August was an important day in the lives of 150 young men as our First Year pupils began their CBC journey. College management and staff welcomed students and parents for a special morning, beginning with concelebrated Mass with Most Rev Fintan Gavin, Bishop of Cork and Ross and Fr Stephen Cummins OP. Bishop Gavin delivered a message of hope and opportunity while, in his welcome, Principal Mr Lordon spoke of his hope that new entrants would develop a sense of belonging, a sense of pride in our shared heritage and pride in their own achievements.

Following the Mass, First Year Head Mrs Anna O'Brien led an induction morning with new pupils, assisted by Mentor teachers and our Fifth Year Meitheal Youth Leadership team.



CLASS 1A27

Back Row (L-R): Nikhil Sundaram, Matthew Lordon, James Dunne, Joe Scanlon, Seán O'Brien, Max Power, Isaac O'Neill, Cormac McCabe, Rory Murphy, Daniel Duhig.

Middle Row (L-R): Daire Power, Luke Flanagan, Thomas MacMullan, Adam Nagle, Matias Ó Conaill, Corey Meehan, Eoin McCarthy, Luke Barry, Finn Harnedy, Johnny Chen.

Front Row (L-R): Raymond McGauley, Sam O'Connor, Vedansh Kumar, Riain Cotter, Ruaidhri McElwain, Charlie Dooher, Cian Cooney, Emmet Cronin, Declan Walsh.

CLASS 1A28

Back Row (L-R): Kaya Sayin, Ronnie Óg Hennessy, Ronán Doherty, Reuben Ring, Tom Huggins, Dessie Carroll, Tom McGrath, Neil Fitzpatrick, Harry Lowrie Machie, Luke Daly.

Middle Row (L-R): Isaac Lenehan, William Rea, Oisín Tobin, Zaman Cole, David Cronin, Will Manley, Isaac O'Sullivan, Hugh Cassidy.

Front Row (L-R): Harry Spratt, James Hurley, Billy Sheehan, Theo Nolan, Darragh Cantillon, Bobby Hayes, Gearoid Moynihan, Elliot Tobin, Noah O'Regan, Luke Murphy.





CLASS 1A29

Back Row (L-R): Charlie Kaar, Sean Myers, Elliot Dawson, William Kelleher, Ciaran O'Callaghan, Rossa Kinirons, Richard Kelleher, Finbarr Murphy Gulati, Kevin Lester.

Second Row (L-R): Cillian O'Sullivan, James Williams, Darragh Roche, Darragh Sheehan, Henry Quinn, Danny O'Donovan, Tadhg O'Sullivan.

Third Row (L-R): Bobby O'Donovan, James Earle, James Dwyer, Sam Finnegan, Hugo McCarthy, Isaac Banks, Michael Bertocchi, Stephen Geaney.

Front Row (L-R): Jack Browne, Aidan O'Brien, David Kelly, Andrew Daly, James O'Shea, Seán McLoughlin.

CLASS 1A30

Back Row (L-R): Liam Hill, Michael Keane, Gerard Kingston, Daniel Field, Alex Maher, Darragh Barry, Alex Burgess, Dalton Caren, Daniel Aherne.

Second Row (L-R): Matt Mapplebeck, Cian McDonald, David O'Connor, Ben Hegarty, Adam Smith, Oscar de Róiste, Scott Iloanusi.

Third Row (L-R): Cal McCarthy, Evan Mulcahy, Conor Dunphy, Dónal McDonnell, Oran Kingston, Zac Weldon, Andrew Hurley.

Front Row (L-R): Jack Norton, Oisín Scannell, Tadhg McEvoy, James Healy, Euan Butler, Cian McGrath.



CLASS 1A31

Back Row (L-R): Conor McCarthy, Jack Mills, Patrick McCarthy, Matthew Laffan, Charlie Cullinane, Ciarán Kelly, Conrad Daly, Hugh Downey.

Second Row (L-R): Tom Dineen, Kevin McCarthy, Adam Farah, Luke Farah, Arnav Dhama, Manus Stewart, Jack McGarry.

Third Row (L-R): Patrick O'Sullivan, Conor Kelly, Darragh Ryan, Shea Lynch, Harry Loftus, Chris Murphy, Harry Quinlan, Cathal Coyne.

Front Row (L-R): Scott Mangan, Ruairi Dunlea, Colm Barry, Darragh Harrington, John Toomey, Colm Shannon, Séan Fleming Byrne.



ANNUAL AWARDS & PRIZE-GIVING

2021-2022

ACADEMIC AWARDS

- 1A27 First Place:** James Harrington
Special Merit: Ben O'Mahony, Conor O'Loughlin
- 1A28 First Place:** Harry Walsh
Special Merit: Adam Carroll, Emmet Fairtlough
- 1A29 First Place:** Raed Nasseer
Special Merit: Alex Martin, Danny Ryan
- 1A30 First Place:** Patrick Spelman
Special Merit: Oran Barrett, Donnacha Bennett
- 1A31 First Place:** Conal Gillard
Special Merit: Finn McCarthy, Max Murphy
- 2A1 First Place:** Daniel Fitzsimons
Special Merit: Sean Fitzpatrick, James McGarry
- 2A2 First Place:** Cillian Connolly
Special Merit: Michael O'Mahony, Darragh Lawless
- 2A3 First Place:** Peter Creagh
Special Merit: Luke O'Donoghue, Edward Nathan
- 2A4 First Place:** Rian O'Driscoll
Special Merit: Tom Hickey, Michael Gibson
- 2A5 First Place:** Alessandro Siynardi
Special Merit: David Bradley, David McGrath
- 3A35 First Place:** Ronan O'Keeffe
Special Merit: Noah Morris, Harry Clarke
- 3A36 First Place:** Zak Gilley
Special Merit: Sam O'Driscoll, Evan Lynch
- 3A37 First Place:** David O'Connor
Special Merit: Aidan O'Brien, Leo Dalton
- 3A38 First Place:** Jiayang Zhang
Special Merit: Jamie McCarthy, James Dineen
- 3A39 First Place:** Cillian Monahan
Special Merit: Callum Donohoe, Ian Morton
- FOURTH YEAR**
First Place: Joe Hartnett
Special Merit: Jonathan Walsh, Cathal McCarthy, Eoghan O'Brien, Darragh Browne, Oisín Dolan, John Leddy, Patrick Brick.
- FIFTH YEAR**
First Place: Jonathan O'Shaughnessy
Special Merit: James Kelleher, Ethan Hurley, Ross Kenny, Sean Blessing, Andrew O'Leary, Ferdia Moore.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE

Joint First Place: Fearghal Desmond, Leonardo Mottareale

LEAVING CERTIFICATE AWARDS

Luke Andrews, Conor Callanan, James Crotty, Shane Kingston, Eoin McCarthy, Callum Murphy, Sean Murphy, Cian O'Mahoney, James Ryan, Finn Whooley, Donagh Griffin.

EXTRA AND CO-CURRICULAR

- Finance**
Gradam Chlub na Gaeilge
Senan Skalkos
Alex Twomey, Emmet Fairtlough, Oliver Bailey, Tim Roedig, Raed Nasseer, Jasiu Skrzyszewski, Ivan Fox
- Gradam na Gaeilge**
Junior Debating Award
Shane Kingston, Jack Dunphy
Sean McSweeney
- Senior Debating Award**
Fearghal Desmond
- Hockey Award**
Gearoid Cashman
- Inline Hockey Award**
Evan Cullen
- McCarthy Cup Award**
Jack O'Callaghan
- U14 Rugby Award**
Ciaran Newcombe
- Bob Casey Award**
Cian Walsh
- Bowen Shield Award**
Daniel Rock
- Senior Rugby Award**
George Rasmussen
- Peter Wilson Award for Rugby**
Freddie Froggatt
- Lego Robotics Award**
Rory Lane
- Artistic Performance Award**
Ben Warren-Flynn
- Cultural Celebration Award**
Shang Wang, Charlie Liang
- Basketball Award**
Emmet Downes
- Golf Award**
Sean Reddy, Morgan Cain, Tim Sheehan
- Maths Award**
Fionn Kimber O'Shea
- U14 Hurling Award**
Cian Lawton
- U15 Hurling Award**
Sean Hurley, Jack Hegarty
- U16.5 Hurling Award**
James O'Callaghan-Maher, Peter O'Shea
- Senior Hurling Award**
Eoin Downey
- French Debating Award**
Senan Skalkos
- Garden Club Award**
Patrick Spelman, Adam Murphy
- Literature Award**
Jonathan Walsh, Jonathan O'Shaughnessy
- Pitch & Putt Award**
Gavin Hyde
- Engineering and Innovation Award**
Odhran Burke
- First Year Soccer Award**
Darragh Morley, Liam Lynch
- U15 Soccer Award**
Finn Dalton
- U 17 Soccer Award**
Zachary Philpott, Andrew O'Sullivan
- Soccer Academy Award**
David Cremin
- Junior Art Award**
Cathal Walsh
- Senior Art Award**
Sean Forbes, Ronan O'Keeffe
- Rowing Award**
James Young
- Swimming Award**
Richard McSweeney, Phelim Hanley
- History Award**
Eoghan O'Brien, Paul Scanlan
- Environment Award**
Frederick Dietze
- Tennis Award**
Jack Cantillon
- Choir Award**
Michael O'Keeffe, Daniel Creedon, Oscar Gray
- Orchestra Award**
Denis O'Callaghan-Maher, Shea Hill
- Athletics Award**
Harry Buckley, Sean Carmody
- Ed Kenny Award**
Cathal Lyons, Conor O'Loughlin, Raed Nasser, Shay Christie, Isaac Scallan-Cotter
- Gretchen Crosbie Award for the Arts**
Karl Riedewald
- Drama Award**
Harrison O'Keeffe
- TY Ambassadors Award**
Peter O'Shea, Joe Barrett, Alistair Barclay, Ronan O'Keeffe, Sam Fitzpatrick
- Breifne O'Callahan Award for Leadership**
Louis Healy
- Michael Sheedy Award for Drama**
Harry Walsh
- Shayan Nasser Award for Social Justice**
Nikita Karelov, Roman Kyrlyuk
- Alan Cahill Award for Sailing**
Ben O'Shaughnessy
- Hugh O'Kelly Award for German**
Noah Murphy, Karl Riedewald, Adam Wrona
- Edmund Rice Award for Charitable Activities**
Max O'Dowling, Jacob O'Keeffe, Henry O'Riordan



BR REYNOLDS STUDENT OF THE YEAR 2021-2022 FREDDIE FROGGATT

The Br Reynolds Student of the Year Award is presented each year to the pupil who best embodies the spirit and philosophy of Christians. The award does not depend on academic ability sporting success or pre-eminence in any particular area. It is not presented to a high achiever in the narrow sense of the term.

The Student of the Year is a young man who serves as a role model for others in the school who met the challenges of secondary school with courage resilience and dignity who took advantage of the opportunities afforded to him by CBC and who possesses the traits that we seek to foster in all our pupils.

This year's recipient of the Br Reynolds Student of the Year Award is Freddie Froggatt.

Having attended the Preparatory School from the age of four Freddie has in recent years made a massive contribution to the school coaching the young players attending their matches and organising skills videos when Covid 19 restrictions were introduced. He was always obliging and anxious to help, his support for the Senior team being particularly noticeable.

While he enjoyed rugby sailing and tennis there is no doubt that cricket is Freddie's number one sport. His accomplishments as a player as head



coach of the Munster Under 15 team and as an administrator led to the award of the Munster Spirit of Cricket award by Munster Cricket.

In Transition Year Freddie interviewed and was selected to be part of the college's Misneach Events Management Team. Freddie was fully committed to ensuring the smooth running of the many events in the school calendar. Not only did he put in the hard graft he demonstrated admirable initiative anticipating problems and often solving them before anyone else was aware of the issue. He showed a genuine understanding of how a good team works and emerged as a natural leader as the year went on. He also managed

to find time to be an enthusiastic member of the cast of The Field the college's Transition Year play in which he also showed an ability to work as part of a team towards a common goal.

Freddie has been described as "a giver by nature". This trait resulted in his involvement in the Charitable Activities committee for which he was awarded the Fr Whelan award in 2020. It also led to his commitment to the school's Meitheal team which he chaired throughout Fifth Year. His selfless work on behalf of others is an example to us all.

Freddie achieved excellent Leaving Cert results and is now studying at the National Maritime College of Ireland and we are confident that they will soon realise what an outstanding young man they have in their midst.

In short Freddie is a young man of immense character. His resilience and courage when faced with great challenges make him an excellent role model for all our students. He is a credit to his family his college and himself. The qualities he displayed while in CBC will stand to him throughout his life whatever path he chooses. He is a worthy recipient of the Br Reynolds Student of the Year award and someone we will always be proud to call 'a Christians boy'.



CBC PREPARATORY SCHOOL



NEW APPOINTMENTS AT THE PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Ms. Sharon McAdoo has been announced as the new Principal of the Preparatory School. Ms. McAdoo has been a key member of the Prep School staff for the past 13 years, holding the post of Deputy Principal for the past four years. She commenced her new role in August 2022, following the retirement of Dr. Larry Jordan.



Mr. Steven Lynch has been announced as Deputy Principal of the Preparatory School. Mr. Lynch has been a key member of the Prep School Staff for the past 22 years and is also heavily involved in sport both in the Preparatory School and the Secondary School.



We wish Ms. McAdoo, Mr. Lynch and Dr. Jordan our best for the future.

DR. LARRY JORDAN RETIRES

Dr. Larry Jordan has retired as principal of the Preparatory School. Dr. Jordan was on site in the Prep School for the past 4 years following his retirement from the secondary school and gave hugely popular lessons to the boys in History, French and German. He will be greatly missed by staff and students alike.



Staff and students of CBC Preparatory School pictured with Dr. Larry Jordan, Principal of the Preparatory School, and Mr. David Lordon, Principal of the Secondary School, on the occasion of Dr. Jordan's retirement.



CBC PREPARATORY SCHOOL STAFF 2022-2023

Back Row (L-R): Mr. Ger Buckley (5th Class), Mrs. Caroline FitzPatrick (4th Class), Mr. Steven Lynch (3rd Class & Deputy Principal), Ms. Jane Scannell (1st Class), Mr. Cathal McNamara (6th Class).

Front Row (L-R): Mrs. Dearbhla Bradley (SET), Ms. Fiona Buckley (Senior Infants), Mrs. Denise Lowry (Junior Infants), Ms. Sharon McAdoo (Principal), Mrs. Elizabeth O'Donovan (4th Class), Ms. Tara Murphy (2nd Class).

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS 2022



Back Row (L-R): Andrew Sutton, Marcus Shi, James Erics, Milo Murray, Kristian Sun Jakobsen.

Middle Row (L-R): Oscar O'Riordan, Michael Erics, Killian Twohig, Reuben Power, Dara Russell, David Coughlan.

Front Row (L-R): Finn Dennehy, Freddie Collins, Maurice Murphy, Cathal Hayes, Richard Linehan.

CONFIRMATION CLASS 2022



Back Row (L-R): Ríain Cotter, Harry Machie Lowry, Luke Farah, Seán Myers, Adam Farah, Luke Daly, Finnarr Murphy Gulati.

Middle Row (L-R): Johnny Chen, Matthew Lordon, Ray McGauley, Henry Le Sueur Quinn, Dalton Caren, Dónal McDonnell, Jack Norton, Seán Fleming Byrne.

Front Row (L-R): Max Power, Oisín Scannell, James Earle, David Kelly, Setanta Bambury, Seán McLoughlin, Theo Nolan.

SCHOOL MASS SEPTEMBER 2022

In September, our school Mass was celebrated in the lunchroom, marking the first time the whole school has gathered together for Mass since before the beginning of the pandemic. It was a joyful occasion and a wonderful way to mark a return to normality after the past years of disruption to regular school life.



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

The theme for Catholic Schools Week 2022 was 'Catholic Schools: Living Life to the Full'. CBC Preparatory School held a series of virtual assemblies centred on this theme. The assemblies were led by various classes who prepared presentations for the occasion. 4th Class delivered a memorable A – Z of Blessed Edmund Rice which gave a comprehensive account of his life and work.

CBC PREPARATORY SCHOOL PARENTS' COUNCIL 2022-2023

Junior Infants Parents' Representative: Mrs. Bláithín McDonnell
Senior Infants Parents' Representative (Secretary): Mrs. Niamh Power
1st Class Parents' Representative: Mrs. Hazel Dolan
2nd Class Parents' Representative: Mrs. Louise O'Connell
3rd Class Parents' Representative (Secretary): Ms. He Sun
4th Class Parents' Representative: Mrs. Olwyn Post
5th Class Parents' Representative (Chairperson): Mrs. Amanda Banim
6th Class Parents' Representative: Mrs. Kate Watson

CBC PREPARATORY SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL 2022-2023

6th Class: Liam Crotty, Luke O'Connell, Paul McCarthy
5th Class: Rian Scannell, Brian Terry, Daniel Curtin
4th Class: Peter Sheehan, Teddy Kang, Jack Dolan
3rd Class: Oscar O'Riordan, Michael Erics, Dara Russell

JUNIOR INFANT CLASS 2022-2023

Back Row (L-R): Baron Rocha, James Roche, Callum McDonnell, Alexander Crosbie, Yu Xiang Chen, Rowen O'Brien, David Rosu, Anmay Jindal.

Front Row (L-R): Sonny Murphy, Joe Moran, Shane Kenneally, Humphrey Sheehan, Joshua O'Mahony McCarthy, Minh Long Nguyen, Paddy Aherne, Mark Walsh.



LORD MAYOR 2022

The boys and teachers from the Prep School were delighted to attend the annual Lord Mayor Visit in the secondary school gym on Friday 7th October. It is one of the very few occasions that the entire school, from Junior Infants to Sixth Year, gathers together in the hall and is always a very special occasion. Lord Mayor, Councillor Deirdre Forde spoke passionately about the city of Cork and encouraged the boys to contact her office if they had any ideas that they think would be useful to make the city an attractive place for them to visit with their families.



Representatives from each class, along with school principal Ms. Sharon McAdoo, met the Lord Mayor as she arrived at CBC.

CHRISTMAS AT CBC PREP

Our parents' council helped us to kick off the festive season by decorating the school - the halls have been transformed into a Christmas wonderland. The boys enjoyed an annual trip to the cinema to see Matilda. The much anticipated Christmas concert takes place on the 14th December. The boys will also enjoy plenty of activities in school including a Christmas jumper day, a Hot Chocolate party and we will welcome our friends from CBS Sexton Street for their annual Christmas visit to Cork.



PREP SCHOOL AWARDS 2021-2022

Congratulations to the recipients of the 2021/2022 Preparatory School Awards.

6th CLASS AWARD WINNERS

Jacinta Tyrrell Award: Max Power
Student of the Year: Kaya Sayin
Principal's Merit Award: Finnbar Murphy Gulati
Rugby Player of the Year: Luke Farah
Rugby Back of the Year: Dalton Caren
Rugby Forward of the Year: David Kelly
Hurler of the Year: Seán McLoughlin
Gaelic Footballer of the Year: James Earle
Soccer Player of the Year: Seán Fleming Byrne
Athletics: Harry Machie Lowry
Chess Winner: Johnny Chen
Chess Runner-Up: Nikhil Sundaram
Draughts Winner: Adam Farah
Draughts Runner Up: Johnny Chen
Best on Tour: Matthew Lordon, Seán Myers
3D Printing: Riain Cotter

5th CLASS AWARD WINNERS

Rugby Player of the Year: Ronan Sisk
Rugby Back of the Year: Malik Abdelrazik
Rugby Forward of the Year: Donal Hegarty
Hurler of the Year: Harry Hogan
Gaelic Footballer of the Year: Leo Dennehy
Chess Winner: Edmund White
Chess Runner-Up: Rasmus Jakobsen
Draughts Winner: Killian McCarthy
Draughts Runner Up: Rasmus Jakobsen
3D Printing: Jack Crowley

4th CLASS AWARD WINNERS

Rugby Player of the Year: Hugo Bailey
Rugby Most Improved: Matthew Barry
Chess Winner: Ethan Bambury
Chess Runner-Up: Isaac Kennedy
Draughts Winner: Patrick McLoughlin
Draughts Runner Up: Rory Buckley
3D Printing: Eoin Banim

3rd CLASS AWARD WINNERS

Rugby Player of the Year: Andrew Post
Rugby Most Improved: Kevin Sun
Chess Winner: Justin Chen
Chess Runner-Up: Paddy Murphy Cullinane
Draughts Winner: Kimi Weng
Draughts Runner Up: Peter Sheehan
3D Printing: Ewan Twohig

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS 2022

This year a variety of After School Clubs was launched at the Prep School. Prepared and led by teachers in the school, there is

something to cater for everyone. Clubs that have run to date include, Drama, Harry Potter, 3D Printing, Coding, Art, Creative

Writing, Chess, Lego and Club Gaeilge. In addition, after school training for GAA and Rugby are also popular activities.



SPORTS DAY 2022



MATHS WEEK 2022

We celebrated Maths Week with plenty of classroom activities – lots of Maths Trails took place around the grounds of the school. 2nd Class used their Maths Eyes to spot maths in the environment at home and compiled a fabulous display in the lunchroom. 4th Class were working on Lines and Angles in class and created a super Geometric Art display. Senior classes thoroughly enjoyed taking part in a Maths Table Quiz at the end of the week.



2nd Class prepared this wonderful "Maths Eyes" display for lunchroom.

SCIENCE WEEK 2022

There were lots of mini Scientists to be found in the Prep School during Science Week in November. The boys completed various experiments throughout the week that led them to some thought provoking conclusions. One of the highlights in 2nd Class was building their dream STEM playgrounds using materials they found at home whilst 4th Class thoroughly enjoyed making butter in class (and tasting the end result on some crackers!)



4TH YEAR PROGRAMME 2022

The 4th Year programme is once again proving very popular with boys from both the Secondary and Prep Schools. The older boys are assisting the teachers in their classrooms, running chess classes, running Reading Buddy sessions, helping with PE lessons, helping with Coding and 3D Printing activities and also coaching the younger boys in rugby at Lansdowne each week.



LIBRARY VISITS 2022

The Prep School is delighted to be part of the city library school initiative whereby classes visit the library regularly and can check out books to read at home.



3RD & 4TH CLASS VISIT TO STRYKER



ROWAN'S DAY 2022

We remembered our former student Rowan O'Connell during a fun day in March. The day culminated in a colour run in Lansdowne.



WORLD DIABETES DAY 2022

A very successful fundraiser for World Diabetes Day was held in the Preparatory School on 14th November 2022. A coffee morning for parents was held in the lunch room in the morning. Classes then gathered for the grand raffle draw and to watch brief video about Type 1 Diabetes. Following this, 3rd-6th Classes remained in the lunch room to do a maths challenge related to calculating carbs, etc... A very big thank you to Mrs. Niamh Power and all on the Parents' Council for arranging a fantastic event which raised awareness and funds for a very worthy cause.



SCHOOL TOUR 2022: FOTA ADVENTURE CENTRE

6TH CLASS



3RD CLASS



JUNIOR AND SENIOR INFANTS



6TH CLASS TOUR TO BELFAST AND DERRY



This year saw the return of the 6th Class Tour. The boys, along with teachers Ms. Sharon McAdoo, Mr. Steven Lynch and Mr. Ger Buckley departed Wellington Road in the early hours of Friday 13th May and made their way to Belfast.

trip to Crumlin Road Jail. The group also spent time at the Giant's Causeway, the *Game of Thrones* set location, crossed the Peace Bridge and enjoyed a tour of the historic Derry city walls.

It was a packed itinerary and a fabulous time was had by all.

The Belfast Tour highlights included a visit to the Peace Wall, the Titanic Museum and a fascinating



SPORT AT THE PREP SCHOOL



Prep School hurlers in action.



The Cork hurlers visited the Prep School to talk with the boys about their campaign.



Rugby at the Prep School.

PAST PUPILS UNION 2021-2022

Over the last number of years, we have seen a lot of change in our world which has made all of us take stock and review our purpose. As a result, the PPU committee felt it was time to reflect on our role and to consider our response to the needs of our membership and our school as we journey through the next decade. The committee launched a five-year Strategic Plan which sets out the approach and initiatives required to address the changing needs and purpose of the Union today.

The plan concentrates on three priorities: 1. Building and securing our membership for the future; 2. Supporting the school; 3. Evolving our membership value proposition through enhancing the value and connectivity of our alumni.

This approach will underpin a set of value adding activities which will span the next five years and onwards.

Christians has a unique achievement (matched by no other school) in the rugby arena in that we are the only school that has won two 4 in-a-rows in the Munster Senior School Cup Rugby competition. Two separate events celebrated both achievements. In April we celebrated the 1970s Four-in-a-Row, 4 squads that were coached by our legendary Brother O'Reilly. Captains Pat Ahern 1971, Donal Daly 1972 and Ciarán Parfrey who was Captain in 1973 and 1974 attended with significant numbers from each team. The event was brilliantly facilitated by Dr. Larrie Martin who was the Captain of the 1970 team. Each Captain regaled the gathering with stories of those campaigns. In particular, Pat Ahern's words were enthralling, bringing to mind the efforts of Br Logue in creating the foundations of the achievements in the late 1960s. We recognise the legacy that the 1970s teams created for the school which has led to the later achievements in each decade since. Old friendships renewed, both events were important in recognising our rugby history and legacy for the generations to come.

Under the stewardship of Vice-President Colum Kelly, the PPU have initiated coffee drop-in mornings on the first Friday of alternative months whereby past pupils can come to Crane Lane for a catch up, facilitating networking opportunities for our graduates'.



Inaugural meeting of the CBC PPU Dublin Chapter.

In 2022 we saw the Union establish our Dublin Chapter of the PPU. The inaugural meeting was held in the Hibernian Club in St Stephens Green on 15 June 2022. The purpose of this Chapter is to connect graduates and past pupils who reside and work in the greater Dublin area, endeavouring to connect past pupils of every vintage to the wider Christian Alumni and

back to the school and the PPU. The event proved very successful. Whilst starting small there is big appetite to develop this Chapter over the coming years.

2022 also saw the return of the Annual Dinner post the Covid 19 lockdown and the restrictions which led to the cancellation of the 90th dinner in 2021. The PPU Committee hugely appreciated the endeavours of Mr Ed Kenny in organising the

event which was delayed from its usual month of January to late April 2022. A very special presentation was made in the awarding of our School Cap to David Corkery in recognition of his amazing rugby career but specifically the attainment of his first Irish Schools cap in 1990.

The union also continued to support the school in many ways, including sponsorship of the Cork Life Centre School in Blarney

Street, Penny Dinners Charity, the Chernobyl Childrens International Charity, the CBC Debating Society and the Senior Rugby squad.

Further initiatives are planned for the coming year that will deliver on the PPU's ambition and priorities. We look forward to witnessing our Union, our School and our pupils, past and present, continue to thrive and make a worthwhile difference to our city, country and further afield.



1971-1974 Senior Cup Four-in-a-Row Team Members.



David Corkery receives his CBC internationals cap from Dr Larrie Martin and PPU President Mr James O'Riordan at the annual dinner, 30 April 2022.

At the 92nd Annual General Meeting, held on Thursday 24 November 2022, Mr Colum Kelly was appointed incoming President of the Union. We wish Colum well as he begins his term in office and thank outgoing president, Mr James O'Riordan, for serving his term with energy and commitment.

Officers for the forthcoming year are as follows:

President: Mr Colum Kelly.

Vice-Presidents: Mr Owen Hurley, Mr Shane Kelly, Mr David Lordon (Ex Officio), Mr Gary O'Flynn.

Secretary: Mr Mike Duggan.

Deputy Secretary: Mr Alan Scanlan.

Membership Secretary: Mr Brian Twomey.

Treasurers: Mr Ed Kenny, Mr David O'Mahony.

Committee: Mr Pat Bradley, Mr Ed Crosbie, Mr Marc Cullen, Mr Keith Greene, Mr Dermot Houston, Mr Thomas Roche.

Outgoing President, Mr James O'Riordan, hands on the chain-of-office to incoming President for 2022/2023 Mr Colum Kelly.



SPORTS 2021-2022

HURLING

Having reached Harty Finals in 2019 and 2020, CBC Senior Hurlers experienced great disappointment in 2021 when COVID ensured that no competitive play took place that year. Nevertheless, the squad still worked diligently to prepare for the 21/22 campaign. The opening Harty Cup game was a local derby against Midleton CBS, with CBC emerging victorious on a score line of 1-20 to 1-14. The next opponent was St Joseph's Tulla from Clare. Despite a slow start, CBC led 1-9 to 0-5 at half time. In an enthralling final quarter CBC faced a strong Tulla offensive but we looked to have done enough to see the game out when we led by 2 points deep into injury time. Then Tulla struck with a goal that won the game for them and saw CBC exit the competition in heartbreaking fashion.

The real sign of character is how a team responds to disappointment. Our hurlers regrouped and switched focus to the O'Callaghan Cup. Having beaten Rochestown by a point in the quarter

final we faced St. Colman's in the semi. In a thrilling game the outcome was only decided by a crucial Eoghan Kirby goal and two late Dave Cremin points that saw CBC victorious by one point. This set us up to play the North Mon AG in the final in Pairc Ui Rinn. Despite missing some players we proceeded to turn in a devastating display of pace and power, winning comfortably on a score line of 3-13 to 1-12. Brian Keating gave another brilliant display of point taking and it was great to see Eoin Downey lift the trophy for only the second time in the college's history.

The quest for CBC's first ever Harty Cup goes on but time will judge this particular team favourably. They brought great satisfaction, joy and credit to the college and to their families. They played with heart, determination and skill and were extremely unlucky not to go the whole way and win that elusive first Harty trophy. We are immensely proud of them as hurlers and indeed as young men.



O'Callaghan Cup Champions 2022

GOLF

CBC was well represented in Golf again this year. The Munster Junior and Senior Finals both took place in Castlemartyr. The Junior team put in a brilliant performance in qualifying, winning by ten strokes. In the Final, Harry Walsh, Aaron Olden and Oran Barrett experienced a tough breeze and didn't get the rub of the green, finishing with a total of 67 points claiming Third Place overall. It was a great occasion and they represented the College with distinction.

Following impressive qualification, the Senior Final was against St Flannan's of Clare. CBC was represented by Paddy Quill, Cian McDonnell, Tim Sheehan, Sean Reddy and Captain, Morgan Cain. Morgan set the tone from the off racing into a lead early on and finishing it out on the 13th for a 6 & 5 win. Sean Reddy and Tim Sheehan repeated this feat in their respective matches and Paddy and Cian were called ashore before their matches concluded. We were crowned Munster Champions on a 4 to 1 scoreline.

The All Ireland Senior Schools took place in Milltown Golf Club, Dublin in late April. Despite a valiant effort by our team, CBC was edged out 3 -2 in the semi final with Terenure College.

Senior Captain, Morgan Cain brought further honours to CBC by claiming his first Munster U18 Amateur Championship title in style. Morgan put together three impressive under par rounds of 71, 68, 70 which saw him come home with plenty to spare, finishing on seven under par.



Congratulations to Sean Reddy, Morgan Cain, Paddy Quill, Tim Sheehan and Cian McDonnell on winning the Munster Schools Irish Golf Championship.

SWIMMING



This year, CBC was named the top performing school in Munster and was presented with the Munster Schools Shield. In the Munster Swimming Championships, Charlie Cassidy and Phelim Hanley won two individual medals and two relay Golds each. There was also individual medal successes for Sean Bugler, Pierce Hanley, Richard McSweeney and Conor Foley. Phelim Hanley, Conal Gillard, Pierce Hanley and Darren O'Connell won the Junior Freestyle and Medley relay events. Sean Bugler, Darragh Cole, Vincent Leahy and Eanna Garvey won Silver in the Medley Intermediate category, while Conor Foley,

Charlie Cassidy, Richard McSweeney and James Ryan took the Senior Freestyle and Medley Relay honours. The CBC Swim team enjoyed further success at the national swimming championships. Pierce and Phelim Hanley, Darren O'Connell and Conal Gillard won Gold in the Junior freestyle relay and took silver in the medley relay. Conor Foley, Charlie Cassidy, Richard McSweeney and James Ryan claimed Gold in both the IM and Freestyle Senior Relays. Five swimmers from CBC also represented Munster in the Interprovincial championships: Pierce and Phelim Hanley, Sean Bugler, Conor Foley and Charlie Cassidy.

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

CBC students have achieved much across a wide range of sporting activities over the course of this past year. Their hard work and success in their chosen fields is a source of great pride to all in the school:

Evan Cullen: *Inline Hockey*
Irish International Team -
European Championships



Callum Griffin: *Hockey*
Munster U18 Hockey



Matthew Herbert:
Athletics
Munster Athletics - Long
Jump Gold Medalist



Harry Buckley: *Long Jump*
All Ireland U19 Long Jump
Champion



Gearoid Cashman: *Hockey*
Munster U18 Hockey



Ethan O'Brien:
Tennis
Munster U18 Tennis



Ben O'Shaughnessy:
Sailing
Irish National 29er
Sailing Champion



Jonathan O'Shaughnessy:
Sailing Irish Team Sailing -
U21 World Championships



Odhran O'Sullivan:
Athletics
All Ireland Athletics -
800m Silver Medalist



Jack Cantillon:
Tennis
Munster U14 Tennis



RUGBY ROUND-UP 2021-2022

SENIOR CUP & BARRY CUP SEASON: A SENSE OF NORMALITY

Season 21/22 started off with a little nervousness but at the same time, with hope. In addition to the lifting of the Covid restrictions, dressing room facilities in Lansdowne were significantly enhanced. There was a great atmosphere on the training ground. Training as we knew it had returned, we welcomed teams back to play in CBC and we enjoyed the trips to away matches across the country at all levels.

As the weeks moved on from September work rate both on the pitch and in the gyms increased and there was a real sense of "game on" across all grades. It was great to be back coaching the players and assisting them in being the best they could be both on and off the pitch. As the season progressed you could see real improvements in player's skills and conditioning as all participants were delighted to be in a position to work hard, and there was a real sense of pride from all groups every time they had the opportunity to wear the famous Red, Black and Yellow CBC jersey.

This year's senior group had lots of potential but unfortunately came up short in the semi-final where two late converted tries in the last 12 mins left everyone reeling. The boys gave rugby their all, worked hard on a weekly basis and were extremely proud to carry on the school tradition of playing rugby with pride in the jersey. The group were well served with Barry Cup Captains of John Cussen and Vice Captain Cian O'Mahoney losing a tight final. At Senior level Captain George Rasmussen led the team both on and off the pitch with enormous capabilities ably assisted by Vice-Captains Daire Burke and Thomas Land.

To judge a year by cup success is one indication of achievement but this group demanded the highest standards on and off the field, brought out the best in each other and will have fond memories of their contributions. Success will be found in different paths and they can be very proud of their journey in CBC.

U14

In 1st Year Rugby, CBC always looks to provide new players the opportunity to get to know one another outside of the classroom, regardless of whether they had played rugby before, developing their fitness levels, social opportunities and rugby skills. It was most encouraging to see the boys turn up for training, and representing the school in matches "fighting the good fight" throughout the season. After all, 1st year rugby is all about the development of the individual as well as the player, fostering a sense of enjoyment in participation. All year, the squad effort has been fantastic in terms of demonstration of teamwork and positive team atmosphere. As well as the boys' diligent approach to their rugby, there has been great fun at training and at both home and away match-days. Competition for places has been ever present, but so too has been a real sense of squad togetherness in helping one another all season long. The fixture schedule has seen CBC play regularly against opposition from Dublin, Limerick, Tipperary as well as a variety of teams from Cork. It has been most encouraging to see the boys gelling and improving as a squad throughout the year.

MUNSTER U18 SCHOOLS & MUNSTER U19 CBC REPRESENTATIVES



(L-R): Adam Wrona, Kamil Nowak, Dawid Nowak, Ben Lynch.



(L-R): Éanna McCarthy, George Good, Gavin O’Riordan, Denis O’Callaghan, Michael Foy.

A win in Rockwell kicked off our Juniors’ unbeaten group stage campaign with a clean sheet of 52-0. Games against Munster CSP and Castletroy followed with CBC winning these games 31-5 and 30-0 respectively.

Kidney Cup and Junior Cup Captains were announced before knockout games. David O’Donnell was appointed Kidney Cup Captain, assisted by Vice Captain Darragh Cole. Junior Captain was Leo O’Leary and Vice Captain, Craig Hughes.

Our quarter final took place in Musgrave Park against Crescent. A 53-5 score line resulted in CBC proceeding to the Semi-Final against St Munchins. A comprehensive 40-19 win saw us into the final against PBC on 23 March in Musgrave Park. A resilient CBC team showed great ability and character with Daire O’Callaghan and Conor Galvin scoring the tries but it wasn’t to be our day, losing on a scoreline of 14-10.

JUNIOR CUP & KIDNEY CUP

Our Kidney Cup team emerged victorious in the Final against Castletroy on a scoreline of 15-7.

Junior Cup was a massive learning curve for our team and benefitted us greatly for the new season.



Kidney Cup Champions 2022.

BOWEN SHIELD

Whilst unsuccessful in our efforts to retain the Bowen Shield this season, there were many positives to be taken from an abridged season. Victories over Rockwell, PBC and St Munchin’s brought us to the Final once again this year, another local derby against PBC in Musgrave Park. As with any final between these sides, a ferocious and physical match was witnessed by a sizeable crowd. PBC built a healthy 10 - 0 lead before a try from Gavin O’Riordan and kicks from Ronan O’Keefe brought it back to 10 - 10. Unfortunately, three kicks from PBC gave them a 9 point buffer, before Ronan O’Keefe brought it back to 19 - 13.

The clock ran out as CBC tried valiantly to overturn the deficit but it was not to be on this occasion.

McCARTHY CUP

After a year of disruption due to the pandemic, the McCarthy Cup U15 rugby squad members were eager to get back to playing competitive rugby. This squad found themselves in an unusual position having not played any competitive rugby in 1st Year but their character shone through as they adapted quickly to the pace and their skill set and strength developed steadily with each training session.. Notable wins over Castletroy, St Munchin’s, Rockwell and Crescent saw them reach semi-final stage in the competition. Unfortunately, this was to be the end of our McCarthy Cup campaign but we have no doubt that players who performed admirably in this campaign will be key to Junior and Senior Cup winning squads in the future.

IRELAND U18 SIX NATIONS SQUAD

David and Kamil Novak were selected for the Irish U18 Six Nations extended squad.



CBC RECOGNISES DR LARRIE MARTIN'S TREMENDOUS SPORTING CONTRIBUTION

As we came to the end of the 2021/2022 rugby and sporting year all in the CBC community - students, parents, teachers, coaches and past pupils-became conscious of the end of an era as Dr Larrie Martin announced his intention to retire as a practising doctor. In addition to his work as a highly respected GP in the Carrigaline area, Dr Larrie served in a voluntary capacity as medical officer to all CBC rugby and general sports for more than quarter of a century. Of course, Dr Larrie's association with CBC sport goes back to his own days in Christians. As a student in CBC Dr Larrie was a particularly accomplished rugby player himself and, indeed, was chosen as captain of the senior rugby team in the 1970 season. In later years Dr Larrie's own sons as students of CBC were equally involved in CBC sporting activities. And then while he was serving for two years as President of the CBC Past Pupils' Union during the early nineties CBC began to turn to Dr Larrie for medical advice and help. Gradually throughout the succeeding years Dr Larrie became the CBC sports doctor to whom all turned when there was an injury on or off the field. With hindsight it is extraordinary to think of the enormous contribution which Dr Larrie made to the welfare of so many CBC students, and their families, in such a selfless and dedicated fashion. Dr Larrie was always available to meet injured

players, to arrange specialist appointments, to offer emergency medical help on the field of training or during competitive matches. As the years passed Dr Larrie became more and more involved in CBC sport – attending training days in Lansdowne, going to matches, home and away, advising coaches on care of players following injury and also being available to parents. As a school community CBC was particularly fortunate to have such help from Dr Larrie-indeed, in this regard, CBC was the envy of many a school nationwide. At great inconvenience to himself Dr Larrie regularly travelled away with CBC teams throughout Ireland and, on occasion, to the UK, France and even Argentina-thus, reassuring parents of the exceptional care which the school could offer their sons.

But there is also an extra dimension as one considers the scale of Dr Larrie's contribution to CBC sport. In addition to his medical expertise which he so willingly made available at all times to the CBC community, Dr Larrie over the years has grown to epitomise all that is best in CBC sport. He has always been an outstanding role model for all our players and supporters. While Dr Larrie has always been one of CBC's most avid and constant supporters he has always

encouraged and emphasised amongst our students respect and good behaviour on and off the field of play. In this regard Dr Larrie leads by example and is always ready to attend if needs be to an injured player on any opposing team. Again in recent years Dr Larrie has given leadership and enthusiastic support for a broadening of the range of sports now available in CBC as the sporting culture has become more diverse. Thus, in recent years for example, Dr Larrie has attended to the medical needs and been a most keen supporter of CBC's Harty Cup Hurling team.

CBC owes a tremendous debt of gratitude to Dr Larrie for the extraordinary generosity of time and expertise which he has afforded the school over such a long period of time. While his medical expertise will be sorely missed in Lansdowne and wherever the black, yellow and red is worn, no doubt, amongst the CBC supporters we will still see, so conspicuously in the crowd, that wide Australian hat which we have witnessed running on to the field of play on so many occasions over the last twenty five years. With every good wish for the years ahead and sincere thanks to Dr Larrie and family from all in CBC sport for the extraordinary help, encouragement and support you have shown us over the years.

