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The Magnificent Seven (+2)

The front page of the *Irish Examiner* dubbed them 'The Magnificent Seven'. The marvellous photo which accompanied the headline made the story all the more memorable: seven smiling students holding up their Leaving Cert results sheets (see below). The full story was written all over those certificates. Each of the seven had just been awarded the maximum possible 600 points.

Seven other pupils had barely missed the jackpot, having been awarded 590 points: 5A1 grades and one A2 grade each. Three subsequently applied for a recheck and two were upgraded. The magnificent seven have become the magnificent nine!

So, can we no longer call them the magnificent seven? In Alexander Dumas' *The Three Musketeers*, Porthos, Athos and Aramis are later joined by D'Artagnan, but the novel's title was not changed to, *The Four Musketeers*. So let's accept that there are nine in the CBC's Magnificent Seven.

Though the Mathematics involved in this concept would not stand up to close scrutiny, Mathematics in CBC most certainly would. Alan O'Regan (right) came first in Ireland in Leaving Cert. Higher Maths in 2011. Also, for a second year in a row, CBC won the All-Ireland Team Maths competition. The prospects for the future of Mathematics in CBC are also very promising. The Junior Cert. class of 2011 achieved 65 A grades in higher course Mathematics.



The boys of Sixth Year 2011 accomplished some other notable achievements. They were awarded an unprecedented fifteen university scholarships: thirteen by UCC and two by Trinity College.

Other statistics worth noting regarding the performance of CBC's 2011 Sixth Year Class include:

- 36% of pupils achieved 500 points or more
- 62% of pupils achieved 400 points or more
- Average number of points per pupil: 434.



CBC'S MAGNIFICENT SEVEN

LEFT TO RIGHT: PAUL RYAN, CONOR BARRY, SIMON TREACY, PATRICK O'DWYER, AIDAN O'DOWLING, CILLIAN WILLIAMSON, MICHAEL KILLIAN,

WITH +2 STUDENTS SEÁN O'LEARY (INSET LEFT) AND DONNCHADH O'SULLIVAN (INSET RIGHT)

Team Maths Win

On March 5th 2011, the University of Limerick hosted the all-Ireland final of Team Maths 2011. CBC took their place at the final after a hard fought regional round.

Unfortunately, one of the team members, Conor Barry, had other commitments with the school rugby team and since the Team Maths organisers proved uncompromising on the 'no substitutions' rule, only three CBC boys could travel to Limerick to defend CBC's all-Ireland title against teams of four.

Undeterred, Sixth Year pupils Cillian Williamson (Captain), accompanied by classmates Daragh Clifford and Jack Hogan and their Maths teacher Mr Donal O'Mahony, soldiered on.

They took their place among the brightest mathematics pupil in the country. They emerged victorious from the competition, just one point ahead of Hamilton College, Bandon, who claimed second place.

The team secured for CBC the Seán Ó Tuama Medal, the coveted George Boole Cup (which returned to its rightful home in Cork, where Boole himself once held a professorship) and the title of all-Ireland champions for a second year running.

Congratulations also to the Junior Cert team of Keegan O'Mahoney, David Grufferty, Saad Azher and Max Waterstone who came second in the Junior Maths Pi Quiz in April 2011 and to Cian Horgan of First Year who came third in the First Year competition in May.



2011 University Scholarships	
Jack Hogan	TCD
Sean O'Leary	TCD
Conor Barry	UCC
Michael Killian	UCC
Ruaidhri O'Brien	UCC
Aidan O'Dowling	UCC
Patrick O'Dwyer	UCC
David O'Leary	UCC
Niall O'Mahony	UCC
Alan O'Regan	UCC
Donnchadh O'Sullivan	UCC
Paul Ryan	UCC
Simon Treacy	UCC
Dylan West	UCC
Cillian Williamson	UCC

Back Row (L-R): Conor Barry, Daragh Clifford, Mr Donal O'Mahony; **Front Row (L-R):** Cillian Williamson, Jack Hogan.

Junior Certificate A Team 2011



Back Row (L-R): Max Waterstone, John Wallace, Jack Harrington, William Lehane, James Greene; **Front Row (L-R):** Tim Fannan, Cian Luddy, Shay Buckley, Saad Azher, Kevin O'Sullivan.

New Staff Secondary School 2011



Back Row (L-R): Mr James Deane (Resource), Mr Niall Healy (PGDE student), Dr Larry Jordan (Principal), Mr Eoin Maher (English), Mr David Lonigan (PGDE student); **Front Row (L-R):** Miss Robyn Curtin (PGDE student), Mrs Dearbhla Bradley (Resource); Miss Theresa Nolan (SNA), Miss Lisa O'Farrell (Biology and Chemistry).

New Developments

Important developments during the summer months included the creation of a new Science laboratory, under the direction of Head of Science Mr Frank Cotter; the refitting of classrooms in preparation for the change over to teacher based rooms in the 2011-12 school year, under the management of Deputy Principal Mr Seamus Bruton; and the refurbishment and reorganisation of the office. New secretaries Mrs Lynda O'Gorman (top) and Mrs Éva Ciski (bottom) both started work in the College in July. Major works were also carried out in Lansdowne.



Retirement

On 31 August last, Mr Pat Kelleher retired from his teaching position in CBC. Mr Kelleher's career in CBC began in 1978. His main subject was Irish, which he taught to Leaving Cert. level for many years. He also taught Religion, Geography and History. In recent years, Mr Kelleher acted in the capacity of First Year Head.

CBC Board of Management 2011-2014



Back Row (L-R): Mrs Nodlaig Nathan (inset), Mr Vincent Murray, Mr John McSweeney, Mr Dennis Linehan, Dr Larrie Martin, Mrs Myriam O'Connor (inset); **Front Row (L-R):** Ms Jane O'Connell, Dr Larry Jordan (Principal/Secretary), Mr Michael Walsh (Chairperson), Mrs Anne Collins, Mrs Petronilla Love.

School Activities 2010-2011

Charitable Activities

In the spirit of Blessed Edmund Rice and the ERST Charter, charitable activities in CBC are recognised as an essential part of school life. The Zambia Immersion Project was the main focus of such activities in 2010-11. Every second year, a group of teachers and pupils travel to Zambia to spend three weeks working with the Christian Brothers in Mufulira. Their objective is to try to benefit the local people in a number of ways, while developing in themselves a consciousness of the difficulties with which impoverished people of the Third World have to cope.

Though only three weeks are spent in Zambia, the Immersion Project, for the participants, involves many months of preparation. Teachers and past pupils who took part in the Project in previous years were very willing to help prepare the group for what to expect in Zambia. However, like those who took part previously, this year's group had to shoulder an enormous amount of work in the area of fundraising.

The cost of their own travel and living expenses had to be

raised, of course, but it has become traditional among groups who travel from CBC, to bring a substantial sum to help the Christian Brothers in the development works they are carrying out in Mufulira.

The variety of fund raising initiatives taken by the group was quite remarkable: from busking to bag packing,

One of the most spectacular events was the staging of a concert in the School Hall featuring international recording artist Liam Lawton. The event gave



Zambia Immersion Project Team 2010

Back Row (L-R): Kevin Synnott, Henry Donnelly, Phillip McIlwraith, Adam King, Daniel Coughlan;
Middle Row (L-R): Mr Trevor Hussey, Ruairi Wiseman, Andrew Love, Billy O'Connor, Mr Steven Lynch;
Front Row (L-R): Miss Theresa Nolan, Jack Lehane, Mr Michael Burke, Fintan Sheehan, Miss Vicki Hennessy.

Charitable Activities Committee 2010-11



Back Row (L-R): Abraham Cashman, George Folley, Sam Keogh, David Purcell;
Middle Row (L-R): Ciarán Coughlan, Ronan O'Sullivan, Evin Doyle, Colm Hornibrook, David Gillen;
Front Row (L-R): Ms Clodagh Bergin, Ryan O'Dowling, Alan Murphy, Ms Lorna Mulvany.

CBC the opportunity to showcase some of its own musical talent, with a performance by the CBC Choir under the direction of Ms Catherine Costello, and individual singing performances by Ms Theresa Nolan and Ms Catherine Welch.

The trip itself was a great success. On their return, members of the group visited every class in the school, both Secondary and Preparatory, where they gave carefully prepared, illustrated presentations on their experiences in Zambia.

Some of the other causes helped by CBC this year included:

- ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOC.
- SURGEON NOONAN FUND
- CHESHIRE HOMES
- HELP FOR FORMER STUDENT
- TROCAIRE
- CHILDLINE
- SPECIAL OLYMPICS
- BUILD 4 LIFE
- DENTAL OUTREACH
- OESOPHAGEAL CANCER
- JACK AND JILL FOUNDATION

Student Council 2011-12

Back Row (L-R): Brian McSwiney 4A36, Patrick Leahy 5A11, Glen Stokes 4A10, Darragh Moloney 5A17, Cory Cashman 4A34, Colm Feehely 3A19, Evin Doyle 5AMus, Conor O'Callaghan 6ADemo;

Third Row (L-R): James Murphy 3A19, Brian Dowling 4A36, Oisín McSwiney 4A10, Ciaran Lynch 5AX, Ronan Keogh 1A27, Joe Harrington 1A28, Tim Hulshof 3A8, Colm Fitzgerald 3A34, Ben O'Callaghan 3A35;

Second Row (L-R): Henry Donnelly 6A16, Charlie Slowey 6A19, Ryan O'Dowling 6A5 (Captain), Mr Pól O'Seanacháin (Liaison Teacher), Eoin Hennessy (Vice-Captain) 6ADemo, Eoin Roche (Secretary) 6A5, Daniel Coughlan 6A5, Ross Glavin 6A18;

Front Row (L-R): Neil McKeone 2ALab1, David O'Connell 2AY, Grattan d'Esterre Roberts 2A14, Conor Forde 1A31, Conal Donovan 1A29, Luke O'Kelly 2ALabIT, Joseph Ryan 3A3, Barry Fitzgerald 3A9, Evan Whooley 1A30.



CBC Debating Society Celebrates its Centenary 1911-2011



Gold Medal Debate 2011

Competitors, adjudicators and guests at the Gold Medal Debate in May 2011. Special guest Mr Brian Keenan is seated centre (with cut glass vase). The winner of the competition was Ronan O'Connor.

When the CBC Debating Society was founded in 1911, Ireland was still under British rule and the Empire was still a major source of employment for graduates of the College.

Early records of the Society's meetings recount vigorous debates on the removal of the veto in the House of Lords during the Home Rule crisis, the merits of Monarchy versus Republicanism and the role of the Irish language during the Irish Cultural Revival.

Meetings in later years bear witness to the struggle for independence, the threat of Fascism and Communism to the world, and Ireland's transformation from a small peripheral island to a confident modern state.

The Society today is stronger than ever, with debating held as one of the most important activities on offer in CBC.

Transition Year Ski Trip

This year's ski trip was held in the resort of Ehrwald, situated on the German-Austrian border. Nestled beneath the world famous zugspitze glacier, Ehrwald proved to be a wonderful venue for all levels of skier.

A total of 55 Transition Year pupils were accompanied by six teachers who were spoilt for choice with over 200kms of marked pistes to choose from. Each day, the pupils attended ski school in the morning and evening and very soon the majority of beginners were quite competent.

Evening activities included a

ski-show in nearby Lermoos, tobogganing, swimming and air rifle shooting.

One of the highlights of the week was certainly on day five when we skied on the Zugspitze glacier, which stands at an amazing 3,000m above sea level. The nine minute gondola ride to the summit was spectacular with breathtaking views of the Bavarian Alps.

All in all, a very enjoyable week was had by all and certainly, the idyllic ski village of Ehrwald will have a special place in our hearts.



GROUP OF CBC TRANSITION YEAR PUPILS ON THE SLOPES

Royal Visit

CBC boys had an opportunity to exchange a few words with Queen Elizabeth during the royal visit to Cork in May.



Victorious Quiz Teams

Many quiz victories were recorded in a variety of subject areas in the course of 2010-11. Team Maths was already mentioned. Other notable quiz wins included: Applied Maths, Junior Maths, Junior Geography, Junior Business, and both first and second place in Junior Science. Prizes were also won in Science Robotics.

Back Row (L-R): Shay Buckley, Mr B. Trought, John Wallace; Front Row, (L-R): Kevin O'Sullivan, Max Waterstone.



JUNIOR SCIENCE WINNERS 2011

Chess

The year started with Third Year pupils Hugh Doyle and Keegan O'Mahony travelling to Ballinasloe with the Munster under-19 chess team. After a close competition, Munster emerged victorious as the 2011 inter-provincial champions.

This was followed by wins in the local rounds of two national leagues, which entitled the CBC teams to participate in the national finals of these competitions. At the end of March, Hugh Doyle, Kieran O'Riordan, Keegan O'Mahony and John O'Dowd travelled to Limerick to take part in the national finals of the Secondary Schools Chess League. They lead the event from the early rounds, coming first for a second year in a row. In the individual section, CBC took all the prizes, with Hugh Doyle and Kieran O'Riordan coming joint first, leading to a blitz playoff which ended in victory for Hugh, with Kieran coming second and Keegan O'Mahony finishing third.

The annual secondary school Check Mate finals were held in April and after a closely fought final round with Castleknock College, the CBC team of Eoin Barrett, Hugh Doyle, Kieran O'Riordan and Keegan O'Mahony again came first for a second year running. Hugh Doyle finished as the overall national Check Mate champion winning a blitz playoff with fellow team mate Kieran O'Riordan who came second.



Back Row (L-R): Eoin Barrett, Keegan O'Mahony, John O'Dowd; **Front Row (L-R):** Kieran O'Riordan, Hugh Doyle.



Choir and Orchestra

Unlike the Orchestra, which has been a feature of CBC life for many decades, the Choir is still in its infancy. However, it has continued to grow both in numbers and reputation and now consists of 30 pupils from First Year to Leaving Cert. The members have exhibited great enthusiasm by attending rehearsals four lunchtimes per week.

Their hard work was rewarded when they shared the stage with renowned singer and composer Liam Lawton and St Colman's Cathedral Chamber Choir

on 12 May last. Their renditions of *The Clouds' Veil* and *Ave Maria There is a Heart* were much praised by the audience on the night.

The combined efforts of the Choir and Orchestra were appreciated at various school celebrations: the First Year Mass, the College Open Night, the Christmas Concert and the Leaving Cert Mass.

Director of Music Ms Catherine Costello singled out Cillian Williamson, the Choir's official accompanist, for special praise.

Pictured above: *The CBC Choir*

Deaths of Br Meade and Br McGinnity



The school year 2010-11 saw the passing of two Christian Brothers who were closely associated with CBC.

Brother John Meade came to CBC in August 1983 as Principal. He quickly set about the task of furthering plans for the development of the new College on Sidney Hill. During his short six months as Principal, his skills ensured that plans for the new school passed through a number of key planning stages. However, he was called to serve in Zambia to lead the Brothers' work in a relatively new mission, in February 1984. He remained throughout subsequent years a regular visitor to CBC.

Brother Patrick McGinnity had the unique distinction of serving as the first chairperson of a Board of Management in CBC, when he was appointed to that role in 1994. He set about implementing the change in the management structure in CBC from gover-

nance by a Manager/ Principal to governance by a Board of Management. He also appointed the first lay Principal (Dr Larry Jordan). Brother McGinnity worked tirelessly in those early years to oversee the efficient running of a Board of Management

as the new management structure in the College.



Ar dheis Dé go raibh a n-anamnacha dilse.

Parents Council 2011-12



Back Row (L-R): Mrs Anne McCarthy, Mrs Sharon McCarthy, Mrs Finola O'Connell, Mr David Hill, Mr Eamonn Burke, Mr Martin Walley; **Front Row (L-R):** Mr Martin McAuliffe, Mrs Gill O'Kelly (Secretary), Mr Conal Courtney (Chairperson), Mr Mary Coleman; **Absent:** Mrs Connie Tierney, Mr Dave Fitzgerald, Mr Ray Murray, Mrs Angela Ahern, Mrs Catherine Scallan, Mr Michael McSwiney, Mr David Lordon.

First Year at CBC

Tosach maith leath na hoibre

On Monday 29 August last, 142 First Year boys converged on CBC from all quarters of the city and county of Cork. It was their first day in secondary school. Fitting comfortably into their new uniforms was a struggle for some boys, but fitting comfortably into the school exercised the minds of all. The usual worries ran in their heads: will I make friends? will I cope with all the new subjects? will I be bullied by older boys? Will I like my new teachers? These fears quickly vanished with the rolling out of the induction programme that has been developed in CBC over the past twenty years.

The day began with a special Mass in the school Hall for the boys and their parents who accompanied them on their first morning. As usual, it was celebrated by Bishop John Buckley, assisted this year by past pupil Fr Ben Hegarty O.P.

After Mass, the boys had their first experience of older CBC pupils. The members of the Meitheal Team were on hand to take them, in small groups, on a tour of the school. This special Fifth Year leadership team, along with members of the choir and orchestra, were the only other pupils in the school. They took the trouble to come in on what was a school holiday for the rest of the pupils, to help settle in the new First Years.

Later, the boys met new First Year Head, Mrs Ann Long. Like her charges, she spends her day in the sep-

arate, self-contained First Year building, keeping an eye on everything there and making herself available to meet pupils and parents throughout the day.

The boys were then allocated to their classrooms. Class groups were arranged beforehand to ensure that each boy knows at least one other boy in his class. Each class has a Class Teacher who gave the boys further information about school life and distributed a School Diary to each pupil.

In September, the First Year Soccer League was organised, and played during lunchtime on the Astro Turf. This event further assisted in settling in the boys and facilitating the making of friends.

Parents were invited back to the school for an evening meeting on 8 September to give feedback on how their boys were progressing.



Some of the new First Year pupils
Dr Larry Jordan (Third from left),
Bishop John Buckley (second from left)



Class 1A27

Back Row (L-R): Ronan Keogh (Gael Scoil Ui Riada), Conor Pratt (Analeen NS), Sam Goggin (St Luke's NS), Brian Jones (Upper Glanmire NS), Mark Bradley (Glounthaune NS), Mark Morton (Ballinlough BNS), Ben O'Sullivan (CBC) Eoin Doyle (Ballintemple NS), Alex Pope (Scoil Mhuire Lourdes NS); **Middle Row (L-R):** Finn Carey (Ballinlough BNS), David Love (CBC), Peter Kilbride (Glounthaune NS), Rory McCarthy (St Luke's NS), Liam McCarthy (Brooklodge NS), Desmond Doran (Ballinlough BNS), Mikey O'Doherty (Ballinlough BNS), Jamie Casey (Upper Glanmire NS), Odhran Guilfoyle (St John Baptist NS);

Front Row (L-R): David O'Regan (St Luke's NS), Callum McCarthy (St Patrick's BNS), Sean McCarthy (St Patrick's BNS), Darragh McKenzie (CBC), Tom Cronin (CBC), Charlie McCarthy (Shanbally NS), Alan Manning (Ballinlough BNS), Aidan Desmond (CBC), Daniel Seymour (St Columba's BNS); **Absent:** Eoin Geary (Douglas BNS).



Class 1A28

Back Row (L-R): Sean Kelly (Ballinlough BNS), Billy Wallace (Ballinlough BNS), Shaun Philpott (CBC), Colin Looney (Riverstown NS), Kevin Crowley (Riverstown NS), David Singleton (Rathpeacon NS), Joe Harrington (Berrings NS), Darragh McGinn (Ballinlough BNS), Hugh Brien (CBC), Cian O'Connor (Rathduff NS); **Middle Row (L-R):** Connor Hughes (Rushbrooke NS), Tristan O'Leary (Riverstown NS), Shane O'Connor (Bartlemy NS), Mathew Murnane (Scoil Chrost Ri), Sean O'Donovan (Ballygarvan NS), Shane Dunlea (Monkstown NS), David Breen (CBC), Owen Doody (CBC), William Hulshof (Kilavullen NS), Daniel FtizPatrick (CBC); **Front Row (L-R):** Josh McKenzie (New Inn NS), Daniel Forrest (Blarney BNS), Jack Cremin (St Lachteen's NS), Cian O'Shea (Rushbrooke NS), Vincent Giltinan (Ballinlough BNS), Bruce Creaner (Rushbrooke NS), John Bourke (Ballinlough BNS), Brendan O'Callaghan (St Lachteen's NS) Tommy Hyde (CBC).



Parents and family members stand in for a photograph with Principal Deputy Principal Mr Seamus Bruton (fourth from right) and Mr. [Name] (right).



CLASS 1A31

Back Row (L-R): Tommy Cornally (CBC), Cathal O'Donovan (CBC), Jack Byrne (Glounthaune NS), Conor Sheehan (Blarney BNS), Feargail O'Sullivan (Ballinlough BNS), Luke Otter (Scoil Iosagain), Harry O'Shea (Ballinlough BNS), Gearoid Lynch (Rushbrooke NS); **Middle Row (L-R):** Jack Wall (Summercove NS), Aidan O'Sullivan (Ballinlough BNS), Peter O'Keefe (Ballinlough BNS), Cathal McNamara (Glounthaune NS), Derick Royal (Upper Glanmire NS), Craig O'Connell (Upper Glanmire NS), Eolann Shanahan (Midleton CBC) Evan O'Sullivan (CBS); **Front Row (L-R):** Daire Horgan (Rushbrook NS), James Royal (Upper Glanmire NS) Paul Kelleher (St Patrick's BNS), Conor Forde (Ballinlough BNS), Luke Downey (Summercove NS), Sam Casey (CBC), Andrew Burke (St Patrick's BNS), Ciarán Jordan (Kilmurray NS); **Absent:** Jack Kirby (Scoil Iosagain), Tim Pierce (Glounthaune NS), Evan Linnane (CBC), Jack Walsh, (Ballinlough BNS).

CLASS 1A29

Back Row (L-R): Colin Kingston (Upper Glanmire NS), Conor McCarthy (Rockboro), Cian Hedderman (Upper Glanmire NS), Peter Bati (Carrigaline BNS), Tadhg Adams (Ballinlough BNS), Diarmaid Burke (Scoil na nÓg), Rory Moore (Ballinlough BNS), Conor Cudden (Rockboro), Cathal Shine (Upper Glanmire NS); **Middle Row (L-R):** Brian Leahy (Douglas BNS), Jack Leonard (Rockboro), Conor O'Driscoll (Gael Scoil de Hide) Aidan Buckley (Whitechurch NS), Aniruddh Bhatnagar (Rockboro), Robert Dinan (Rockboro), Kevin Cronin (Brooklodge NS), Conor Kelly (St Patrick's BNS), Saltanat Shah Tajarab Mohammad (CBC); **Front Row (L-R):** Ross Cudmore (Ballinlough BNS), Brendan Bracken (CBC), Cathal Wallace (St Oliver's NS), Ronan Burke (St Patrick's BNS), Ray Fitzgerald (Ballinlough BNS), Johnny Andrew (CBC), Conor Twohig (Upper Glanmire NS), Conal Donovan (Canovee NS), Aaron Higgins (Ballinlough BNS); **Absent:** Ben Healy (CBC).



Class 1A30 Back Row (L-R): George Frost (Ballinlough BNS), Colin Rea (Ballinlough BNS), Colm O'Sullivan (Cloghroe NS), Caleb O'Connor (Gaelscoil an Ghoirt Álainn), Eamonn Doyle (St Patrick's BNS), Mark McAuliffe (CBC), Derry O'Connor (Berrings NS), Shahzaib Iqbal (CBC), Adam Coughlan (Ballinlough BNS); **Middle Row (L-R):** Paul Harrington (CBC), Evan Curtin (CBC), Matt Hanrahan (St Luke's NS), Jacob Buckley (Ballinlough BNS), Hugh Sutton (Cork Educate Together), Eoin Kavanagh (St Patrick's BNS), Fiachra O'Connell (Cork Educate Together), Evan Whooley (Ballinlough BNS), Anshul Nama (Rivertown NS), Marc Burke (CBC); **Front Row (L-R):** Emmet Carroll (Cork Educate Together), Ronan Hennessy (Glasheen BNS), Daniel O'Sullivan (Gaelscoil an Ghoirt Álainn), Aaron Browne (Riverstown NS), David Galvin (Dripsey NS), Colin Sisk (Cork Educate Together), Colm Barrett (St Patrick's BNS), James Taylor (Glounthaune NS), Ronan Fahy (Gaelscoil an Ghoirt Álainn).



Past Pupils Union Celebrates 80 Years

The eightieth birthday of the founding of the Past Pupils Union was celebrated on 19 May 2011. The Principal of the College, Dr Larry Jordan and the President of the Union Mr Killian O'Sullivan, welcomed current Union members who were born in 1936 or earlier, to be part of a concelebrated Mass of Thanksgiving in the 'Bill O'Brien' prayer room at the College.

Fifty-six past pupils joined the concelebrants – Canon Brendan MacCarthy (who delivered an appropriate homily), Monsignor Declan Murphy, Fr Michael Twomey and Canon Donal Linehan – in the votive Mass, during which special music was provided by present pupil Tim Lehane.



Eightieth Annual Dinner of the CBC Past Pupils Union

PPU President Mr Killian O'Sullivan and guests at the Annual Dinner at the Imperial Hotel on 29 January 2011



The assembled 'Old Boys' were then entertained to lunch in the College Dining Hall. On behalf of the general membership of the Union, the President handed over a donation of €2,000 towards the CBC Immersion Project in Zambia: a mission in which ten pupils and four teachers would be taking part in June.

There was much hilarity when reflections on their schooldays were heard from Barry O'Donnell, Ted Crosbie, Seán McHenry and Bob Casey. Seniors for the Day, Pearse O'Leary (born 1919) and Andrew Henley (born 1921) were applauded when they performed the ceremonial cutting of the birthday cake.

Conversation and storytelling lasted long after the formalities were over.

CBC PPU AGM November 2011

This year's annual general meeting was held in the College, on 17 November 2011. The outgoing President, Mr Killian O'Sullivan, reported on his year in office. Mr O'Sullivan spoke of the eightieth anniversary celebrations, the Annual Dinner in January 2011, and the Sports Day in May.

Mr Pat Cashman, Honorary Treasurer reported on sponsorship given by the Union to the College in the course of 2010-11. He drew particular attention to a donation of €7,500 towards the new Science Laboratory, €1,500 to the Lansdowne Development Fund, and a donation of €2,000 to the Zambia Project. In addition, he reported on the Union's sponsorship of a number of other events in the College and beyond and ongoing efforts to increase Union membership.

Dr Larry Jordan, Principal, then addressed the AGM, reporting on College events during 2010-11, giving pride of place to the excellent Leaving Certificate results 2011. He also spoke about the changeover from pupil-based rooms to teacher-based rooms. He thanked the Union for its ongoing generous support to the College.

SPONSORSHIP OF SCHOOL EVENTS



The Union organised the first annual College sports at the Mardyke Cricket Grounds on 21 June 1934 and has been generous with its sponsorship of that event ever since.



Handing Over the Chain

Outgoing President of the PPU for 2010-11, Mr Killian O'Sullivan, presents the chain of office to incoming President for 2011-12, Mr Peter Madden. The Committee for 2011-12 is as follows:

- Vice-Presidents:** Dr L. Jordan, Mr G. Fitzgerald, Mr R. Kiely, Dr B. Wiseman, Mr S. Parfrey;
- Hon. Secretary:** Mr J. O'Donnell;
- Hon. Treasurers:** Mr P.A. Cashman, Mr E. Kenny;
- Committee:** Mr C. Cotter, Mr D. Horgan, Mr M. Russell, Mr J. O'Sullivan, Mr E. Heaphy, Mr G. Higgins.

Dr Jordan then presented a copy of the *Christian Brothers College Year Book 2010-11* to outgoing President Mr Killian O'Sullivan, to Mr Pat Cashman and to Mr Jerome O'Donovan. There was general praise for this annual publication which records the events of each school year in detail in both pictures and text.

The meeting also elected officers to serve for the school year 2011-12 (see box on left for details).



Union President Mr Killian O'Sullivan presents a cheque for €2,000 to Mr Michael Burke, Team Leader, Zambia Immersion Project.

CBC Preparatory School

Issue number three of *Preparatory School News*, which was distributed to all parents in mid-November, gave a detailed account of life in the Preparatory School during the school year 2010-11, as well as information on the daily and weekly routine and the annual round of events for the current school year. Some copies are still available.

You can keep up-to-date with events in the Preparatory School by logging in to our website: www.cbcprep.ie. The site is regularly updated with pictures and text.

Information sheets are normally sent home to parents at the beginning of each term or half term outlining what has been planned for the forthcoming period.



Sam Maguire was one of the many visitors to the Preparatory School last year.

Since its introduction in the 2009-10 school year, texting has become an indispensable communication tool. It was very useful during the periods of bad weather last year. Parents find the texts reminding them of rugby fixtures, etc, a great asset.

From Babies to Graduates

The entire CBC community basked in the reflected glory of this year's Leaving Certificate results. The staff of the Preparatory School are particularly pleased with the great achievements of the Class of 2011 since many of those Sixth Year pupils started off in Junior Infants Class back in 1997. On Graduation Evening, some of those boys stood in for the photograph reproduced below. It was interesting to dig out the *Christian Brothers College Year Book 1997-'98* and to match up the picture with the Junior Infants Class photograph in that publication. The results are reproduced below.



Back Row (L-R): Ian Whelan, Breifne Muldoon, Matthew Kelleher, Elliott Cagney, Barry Whelan, Andrew Mintern, Tadhg Hurley; **Front Row:(L-R):** Kiefer O'Sullivan, Stephen Quinlan, Cillian Williamson, Pdraig Murphy, Sam Grogan, John O'Flynn.

Junior Infants Class 2010-2011



Back Row (L-R): Alec O'Mahony, Joey O'Neill, Mike Manning, Conor Allen, Robert O'Sullivan, Tadhg Quill, James Cuttriss; **Front Row:(L-R):** Hammy Gray, Oscar Kelleher, Ryan O'Brien, Rob Lenihan, Jamie McCarthy, Louis Murphy, Evan Collins.



Back Row (L-R): Matthew Kelleher, Elliott Cagney, Ian Whelan; **Middle Row:(L-R):** Breifne Muldoon, Cillian Williamson, Barry Whelan, Kiefer O'Sullivan, Tadhg Hurley, Stephen Quinlan; **Front Row:(L-R):** Pdraig Murphy, John O'Flynn, Sam Grogan, Andrew Mintern.

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JUNIOR INFANTS

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FIRST CLASS

MRS AUDREY O'SULLIVAN
086 0786939

THIRD CLASS

MRS AILEEN WATERMAN
086 8366908

FIFTH CLASS

MRS JOHANNA RADLEY
086 2626026

SENIOR INFANTS

MR SHANE FITZPATRICK
087 6501259

SECOND CLASS

MRS SHARON O'MAHONY
086 8717633

FOURTH CLASS

MR RAY MURRAY
087 2557031

SIXTH CLASS

MR VIVIAN HEDDERMAN
087 9648365

Annual Awards 2010-2011

—ACADEMIC AWARDS—

FIRST AND SECOND YEAR

CLASS	FIRST PLACE	SPECIAL MERIT
1A27	Brian Barry	David Fox Robbie O'Flynn
1A28	Conal O'Gadhra Conall Williamson	David Cronin Kieran Mulligan
1A29	Alex O'Brien Colm Power	Harry Murphy Darragh O'Callaghan
1A30	John Boylan	Hugh Woulfe Conor Kiernan
1A31	Robert Hyde	Ryan McCarthy Adam McCarthy
2A1	David Synnott	Ben Dunlea Paul Burke
2A2	Neil O'Brien	Owen Murphy Jack O'Riordan
2A3	Jack Cronin	Niall Bradley Niall Barry
2A4	Michael Clune	Colm Fitzgerald Rory O'Sullivan
2A5	Michael O'Halloran	Joe McSweeney Adam Gould

Junior Cert 2011

First Place:	Tim Fannon
Special Merit:	Saad Azher, Cian Luddy Shay Buckley, Kevin O'Sullivan, James Greene John Wallace, Jack Hartnett, Max Waterstone William Lehane

Transition Year

First Place:	Gleb Dzhus
Special Merit:	Noel Barry, Liam Mulcahy Chris Cocking, Rory Vaughan, Thomas Tierney

Fifth Year

First Place:	Philip Mcllwraith
Special Merit:	Kevin O'Riordan, Robin Bilginer Michael Lordan, Conor Cremin, David Gillen

Leaving Cert 2011

Leaving Certificate Awards:	Conor Barry, Donnchadh O'Sullivan Michael Killian, Paul Ryan, Aidan O'Dowling, Simon Treacy, Patrick O'Dwyer Cillian Williamson, Sean O'Leary
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— EXTRA-CURRICULAR AWARDS —

Golf	Chris Cocking
U-14 Rugby	Gordan Good
U-15 Rugby	Daniel Walsh
Junior Rugby	Tomás Quinlan
U-16 Rugby	Tadhg Arrigan
Senior Rugby	Sean Glynn
Peter Wilson Award	Conor Barry
Senior Soccer	Andrew Joyce
U-15 1/2 Soccer	Sean Keane

U-15 1/2 Soccer

U-16 Soccer

U-16 Soccer

U-14 Soccer

1st Year Soccer

Pitch and Putt

Library

Debating

Gaeilge

Choir

Orchestra

Drama

Hurling

Senior Science

Biology

Chemistry

Junior Science

Agricultural Science

French

Young Scientist

Chess

Junior Maths Quiz

Senior Maths Quiz

Senior Maths

Journalism

Junior Art

Senior Art

Sailing

Cricket

Tennis

History

Athletics

Robotics

Basketball

Rowing

Enterprise Award

Community Service Award

Hugh O'Kelly Award

Andrew Quinlan Award

Gretchen Crosbie Award

Fr Mike Whelan Award for Faith Development

Br Edmund Rice Award for Charitable Activities

Br Reynolds Student of the Year 2010-11

Jack Sheehan	Ryan English
Liam O'Connor	Brian Burke
Alex O'Brien	Sean Desmond
Eoin Roche	Cian Luddy, Robert O'Driscoll
Paul Ryan, David O'Leary	Jack Corbett
Breifne Muldoon	Tim Lehane, Harry McCarthy
Liam Mulcahy	Daniel Wallace
Cillian Williamson	Donnchadh O'Sullivan
Paul Ryan	John Mitchell
Kevin Quinlan	Jeff Safar Hamidi
James Heffernan	James Keaveney-Jimenez
Eoin Barrett, Hugh Doyle	Keegan O'Mahoney John O'Dowd, Kieran O'Riordan
David Grufferty	Saad Azher, Keegan O'Mahony, Max Waterstone
Cillian Williamson	Darragh Clifford, Jack Hogan, Conor Barry
Alan O'Regan	Alan O'Regan
Darren O'Dowling	Evin Doyle, James Curran, Brendan Doyle
Cian O'Leary, David Purcell	Liam O'Sullivan
Conor Barry	Richard Roberts
Conor Andrew	Matthew Scallan-Cotter, Kevin O'Sullivan
Daniel O'Callaghan	Shaun Hennessy
Philip Hayden	Ryan Murphy, Darren Dowling
Kevin Synnott, David Collins	Eddie Beechinor
Rory Burke, Rory Fitzharris	John O'Flynn
Niall O'Mahony	Jack Harrington
Jack Kelleher	Fionn Mulvey
Henry Donnelly, Billy O'Connor, Jack Lehane	Philip Mcllwraith, Adam King, Daniel Coughlan
Andrew Love, Ruairi Wiseman, Fintan Sheehan	Kevin Synnott
Alan Murphy, Saul Goulding	
Cillian Williamson	



Cork's Lord Mayor, Councillor Terry Shannon and his wife Ursula visited CBC on Friday 23 September last. As usual, every boy in the school had the opportunity to see and hear the city's First Citizen. The Prep and Secondary schools made up an audience of 1,000 as they waited in the Hall for Councillor Shannon's arrival. William Whyte of Senior Infants Class presented Mrs Shannon with a bouquet of flowers on arrival at the door of the school.

During his presentation to the assembled pupils and teachers, the Lord Mayor commented on how his predecessors over the years had been highly impressed by the exceptional welcome afforded annually by CBC. Dr Larry Jordan and the School Captain formally welcomed Mr & Mrs Shannon to CBC, and after making an interesting presentation, Councillor Shannon went among the pupils shaking hands.



Awards recipients 2011, photographed with Mr Michael Walsh (Chairperson CBC Board of Management), Dr Larry Jordan (Principal) Mr Donal Lenihan (Guest Speaker), Mr Killian O'Sullivan (President PPU) and Br Micheál Ó Donnchú

2010-11 Sports Roundup

Soccer

At this year's Awards Evening, no less than five prizes were awarded for achievement in Soccer at different age levels. This is reflective of the major interest in that sport in CBC at the present time. Special congratulations to the First Year boys (pictured right) who won the Cork under-13 cup on 3 June last after a long campaign

Golf

Last year, the big school competition was the Seán O'Leary perpetual trophy, played at Cork Golf Club during the October mid-term break. The prize was for the best gross score. Chris Cocking won with an impressive 79. We also had a junior section and this was won by Niall Galvin. Interestingly, both players play out of the East Cork Golf Club off handicaps of 8 and 14 respectively. The school competed in the Irish Schools Matchplay event in East Cork Golf Club. Our team of Patrick Foley, Chris Cocking and Michael Abernethy did not qualify despite playing very well.

Tennis

There was exceptionally strong interest in Tennis this year. So much so, that players had to compete strongly to get on the team, before ever playing with outside opposition. The under-14 and under-16 teams played their group games with pace and skill, putting in outstanding performances. They progressed smoothly into the quarter and semi-finals and made their way to Rushbrooke Tennis Club for the Munster Schools Cup Finals. Despite their best efforts, neither team emerged victorious in the end.



Soccer: First Year Cork Cup Winners

Back Row (L-R): Peter Blake, Robbie O Flynn, Stephen Galvin, Colm Bermingham, Brian Barry, Killian Dineen;
Front Row (L-R): Colin O'Brien, Ross Murphy, Darragh O Callaghan, Marc Griffin, Alex O'Brien (Captain)

Rowing

Rowing has become very popular in recent years. Many pupils are members of city rowing clubs: Cork Boat Club, Lee Boat Club or Shandon Boat Club. They combine for school competitions and many CBC oarsmen competed for the school in the Irish Schools Championship Regatta at Farran Wood on Saturday 19 April last.

Basketball

The past basketball season was a season of building for the school. Although success on the floor was limited, the ever increasing numbers participating was a great boost. Now, with the standard of play increasing as each

week goes by, success is just round the corner.

Gaelic Football

CBC senior footballers competed in the Cork Colleges Senior B Championship. The team made it as far as the semi-final against St Aidan's who proved to be too strong for them.

Annual Sports

The annual College sports was held on Thursday 19 May at the Cork Institute of Technology track, a change from the usual venue of the Mardyke. The logistical problem of getting the boys to the venue was overcome with the help of nine buses and the willingness of teachers to supervise the buses. Large numbers of boys entered the track

and field events, with Kieran Moynihan winning the Championship of the College for the first time. The traditional Teachers v Sixth Years soccer match proved again to be a highlight of the sports day. The teachers emerged victorious with a score of four goals to three. This was the teachers' first success in a number of years.

CBC Sailing Team 2010-11



The CBC Sailing Team achieved outstanding success in the school year 2010-11, winning the Munster and National Schools Team Racing Championships 2011.

Back Row (L-R): Patrick Crosbie, Paul Martin, Richard d'Esterre Roberts, Aodh Kennedy, Grattan d'Esterre Roberts; **Front Row (L-R):** Tom Morehead, Jack Horgan.

Unfortunately, due to lack of space, many sporting endeavours had to be omitted again this year. A fuller account of the year 2010-11 is available in the *Christian Brothers College Year Book 2010-2011*.



Hurling: CBC's UNDER-16 CORK COLLEGES CUP-WINNING TEAM

Back Row (L-R): Stephen Sheedy, Conor O'Driscoll, P.J. O'Sullivan-Greene, Conor Crowley, Cillian Doyle, Dylan Lenihan, Tadhg McAuliffe, Sam Guilfoyle, Liam O'Connor;
Middle Row (L-R): Darragh McPolin, James Murphy, Conor Horgan, John Wallace, Peter Townsend, Niall Galvin, Lorcan Finnegan, Daniel O'Sullivan, Harry McCarthy, Paul Redmond;
Front Row (L-R): Ray Murphy, Cian O'Connor, Dylan Stokes, Vincent O'Brien, Michael Abernethy, Seán McSweeney, David Hurlery, David Redmond, Michael O'Halloran.

CBC Rugby 2010-11

In terms of overall results, the season 2010-2011 was a mixed bag. There were some excellent pre-cup victories (Blackrock 3-0, Belvedere 26-16, Terenure 12-0) and an outstanding performance in Clongowes against the eventual Leinster Cup winners, losing narrowly 7-12. The panel also went to Gloucester for a six nations schools 15-a-side tournament where we beat the Gwent Dragons academy 12-0 in a highly charged game.

On the individual side, CBC rugby met with great success. We had 12 representatives on the Munster Under-19 and Under-18 panels. Conor Scannell, Kieran Frost, Yasin Browne, Sean Glynn, Conor Barry, Ciaran Keogh, Kevin Slater and Brendan Monahan represented the Under-19s and Charlie O'Regan, Ryan Foley, Dean Nolan, Darragh McNamara and Cian O'Halloran represented the Under 18s. In addition, Cian O'Halloran went on to represent Ireland Under 18s in the European Championships in France. On the cup front, we competed at semi-final level against eventual winners Rockwell College.

Finally, it must be said that the senior panel was outstandingly led both on and off the pitch by Kevin Slater, a player with a great rugby future ahead of him.

Peter Melia
Director of Rugby



Munster Schools Under-19s
Back Row (L-R): Seán Glynn, Kieran Frost, Yasin Browne, Ciaran Keogh; Front Row (L-R): Conor Barry, Brendan Monahan, Kevin Slater, Conor Scannell



Munster Schools Under-18s
Left to Right: Darragh McNamara, Dean Nolan, Cian O'Halloran (also on the Ireland Schools Under 18s), Charlie O'Regan, Ryan Foley

Lansdowne Development 2011

During the summer, the College embarked on an upgrading of the facilities at its Sports Ground in Lansdowne. Under the direction of Mr Russell Foley, who has overall responsibility for the management and upkeep of the facilities, it was decided to seek sponsorship from individual companies associated with CBC to help keep costs at a minimum for the College.

The response has been excellent and the College has begun its upgrading work. This work will provide a footpath and railings around the senior pitch. An eighty seater stand will be built, fully sponsored, for the comfort and convenience of spectators at matches and training.

Businesses are invited to sponsor an advertising hoarding displaying their company logo which will be fixed to the railings (see photo below).

In addition, much improved lighting will be provided to allow for training on the other pitches, thereby keeping the senior pitch as a match-only pitch.

Finally, extensive seeding, sanding and drainage maintenance is to be carried out on all pitches.



Preparatory School Sixth Class Tour to Bath

On the morning of 8 April, Sixth Class assembled at Cork Airport rather than in the School Hall. They were on their way to the beautiful city of Bath for an educational and rugby tour.

This final major event for the most senior boys in the Preparatory School is a tradition of long standing. It involves a significant amount of preparation: training for the matches, saving and fund-raising to make up the cost of the trip. Also, the boys designed a special team jersey for the trip, which Dr Larry Jordan presented to each of the 25 boys before their departure.

Sixth Class played seven matches while in Bath, at three different venues, against local opposition. They also spent some time sight seeing. They were taken on a guided tour of

the ancient Roman Baths, the feature from which the city takes its name. They also found time for bowling, quasar and a visit to the cinema.

Sixth Class arrived safely back in Cork on the evening of Sunday 10 April after a hectic weekend. On Monday morning, all the boys were back in class as usual.

