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## **Awards Evening at CBC**

BC Awards Evening was held in the College on Thursday 22 November 2007. The purpose of this annual event is to recognise and celebrate achievement in all of the areas of personal development which are valued in CBC.

Former Principal Brother L.P. Reynolds was on hand to present the top prize (which bears his name): the Brother Reynolds Student of the Year Award. The trophy and title go to 'the Sixth Year pupil who best represents the qualities the College seeks to foster'. In accordance with tradition, the name of the recipient was kept a closely guarded secret until it was announced from the stage at the end of the This year it was Andrew evening. O'Donoghue. The citation, which was read while he came on stage, Andrew's utter surprise at his selection, and the sustained applause, all attested to why the College will always be proud to call Andrew O'Donoghue 'a Christians boy'.

Tony Buckley topped the list where academic achievement was concerned. In this year's Leaving Cert, he was awarded eight A1 higher level grades. Not only was this the best result in CBC, nobody in Ireland could top it. Tony was closely followed by classmates Eanna Clifford and Kieran O'Mahony, both of whom achieved maximum points of 600. Sebastian



Andrew O'Donoghue receives the Brother Reynolds Student of the Year Award 2006/07 FROM BRO. Reynolds on Awards Evening.



Top of the Class of 2007
TONY BUCKLEY GOT EIGHT HIGHER LEVEL A1
GRADES. NOBODY IN IRELAND TOPPED THAT.

Barwich, Eoin Kiely and Shane O'Dowling Keane came next with 590 points each.

In the course of his address on the night, Principal Dr Larry Jordan stated that the average points attained by the Leaving Cert Class of 2007 was a highly impressive 418. He said that he was very gratified to note the strong showing in Maths and Science results is continuing.

With pupils like Mark Moriarty, recipient of the Physics award, there is no danger of a down turn. Mark has represented Ireland three times at international science competitions. In preliminary tests to select the national team, Mark came first in Ireland — twice! When Mark's team competed in Brussels, they were awarded a silver medal. Mark qualified for the International Physics Olympiad two years running, and represented Ireland in Singapore in 2006 and in Iran in 2007.

Debating, quizzes, music and art, charitable activities, all kinds of sporting success, and many other endeavours were also recognised on the night. A full list of prize-winners is to be found on page 10, and more details on individual achievements throughout this newsletter.



Tim Cronin:winner of a EUSO Medal in Chemistry at Potsdam



Dmitri Tuchapskiy Top Maths Student

## **CBC Boys Put to the Test**

CBC pupils were concerned with more than exam questions in the 2006-07 school year. In January, a team consisting of Leaving Cert students Tony Buckley, Kyle McEnery and Eoin Kiely won the 2007 National Elec Engineering Quiz. It was run locally by the Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering, UCC. CBC had the highest score of over 40 teams from the quiz held simultaneously in UCC, DIT, WIT and NUI Galway, becoming the overall national winners of the competition.

The Junior Certs rivalled the success of their senior schoolmates when their two four-man teams entered in the Cognis Sciences competition came first and third. The winning team is pictured below; the CBC team that was placed third consisted of Simon Tracey, Sean O'Leary, Michael Killian and Donal Lynch.

Dmitri Tuchapskiy and Alan O'Regan took part in the Prism mathematical challenge during Maths Week Ireland, along with 3,173 other Irish second level mathematicians. Dimitri and Alan were two of only six pupils nationwide who achieved a score of 19/20. No pupil in the country scored better than that.

This year Gearoid Wrixon was an Irish Physics Olympiad winner for 2007.

## Staff Changes in CBC, September 2007



Back Row (L-R): Mr Ian Mitchell (H. Dip. Student, Resource/Special Needs Teacher), Mr Brian Trought (Physics/Science/Applied Maths Teacher), Mr Michael Selby-Benetts (H. Dip. Student), Mr Michael Rice (H. Dip Student, All-Ireland Senior Hurling winner, Kilkenny);

Front Row (L-R): Dr Larry Jordan (Principal), Miss Marie Delaney (Science/Biology Teacher)

## Mr Michael O'Donnell Retires

Mr Michael O'Donnell retired from CBC at the end of the 2006/07 school year. Mr O'Donnell came to CBC in 1974 and taught French and English throughout his career. He also coordinated the drawing up of the CBC school plan and, as an Assistant Principal, acted as the Sixth Year Head. Mr O'Donnell

was an oral French examiner for the Department of Education. He succeeded Mr John Moran as Head of the CBC French Department.

Miss Niamh Fennessy

Miss Niamh Fennessy who taught French and Irish in the College for a number of years, transferred to a post in Meath.

## **Outstanding Results from the Junior Cert '07 A-Team**



Back Row L-R: Cillian Power, Lorcan Doyle, Andrew O'Regan, Daniel Purcell, Thomas Sutton; Front Row L-R: Aidan Reynolds, Barry Harnedy, Shane Riordan, Daniel Ahern, Stuart Chisholm



JUNIOR CERT COGNIS SCIENCE WINNERS Back Row L-R: Darragh Clifford, Paul Ryan; Front Row L-R: Cillian Williamson, Alan O'Regan. Alan also competed very successfully in the Prism competition for second level mathematicians.

University Scholarships: Sebastian Barwich Tony Buckley UCC Eoin Kiely UCC Richard Murphy Eight for CBC in 2007 Jerry Buckley UCC UCC UCC Robert Hogan Kyle McEnery Kieran O'Mahony UCD

## **School Activities 2006-2007**

## **DEBATING**

The CBC Debating Society has come to the end of another very successful year. This academic year 2006/2007 marked the 96th session of the Society, one that has seen further increases in the College's debating activity throughout the city and further afield.

Membership ranges from First to Sixth Year which indicates the wide ranging appeal of the society in the school. This year the society boasted over fifty full members with in excess of ninety students attending debates during the year. The increased involvement in inter-school debates and competitions has enhanced the profile of the society, both in the school and in the wider community.

On an international level, we were very proud of Ian Chisholm and Conor Mahon who travelled to Germany to represent Ireland at the European Youth Parliament. This is the third time that members of the Debating Society have been selected for the Irish delegation in this prestigious competition.

We were also delighted with Fourth Year students Kevin Horgan, Gearoid Wrixon, Brian Conroy and Oisin O' Kelly who were national finalists in this year's EYP competition; with Mark Moriarty who was successful in the Rotary Youth Leadership Competition and with UCC Philosoph Mace winners Conall O'Deasmhunaigh and Ian In the Denny Chisholm.

Philosoph Munster Schools competition, CBC was also represented by Philip Cremin and Gearoid Wrixon.

Our Concern Debating team this year consisted of Brian Conroy, Oisin O' Kelly, Aaron O' Sullivan and Gearoid Wrixon. They also attended a developing world forum organised in UCC by Concern.

We must give due recognition to the exceptionally hard working committee, led by President Conall O' Deasmhunaigh, ably assisted by is Vice President Ian Chisholm, whose dedication helped to make this year so successful.

## **Hockey**

Simon Hanbidge is a rising star in hockey in Munster. Having enjoyed considerable success on a club level, Simon was selected for the provincial team and, given his performances to date, he is sure to continue to be a key player for Munster in the future.

### **Athletics**

Chris Murane has enjoyed huge success in athletics on both a provincial and national level. the South Munster Āt Championships this year, which were held in CIT, Chris won the 100m hurdles, came second in the 400m hurdles, and won the 200m. As a result of these achievements Chris represented Munster at the Tailteann games — a competition between the four provinces — and in the 100m hurdles he came fourth.



Transition Year 2007 Gaisce Awards

**Back Row L-R:** Brian Slater, Chris Murnane, Gearoid Lynch, Rory Crotty, Patrick O'Kelly-Lynch; **Front Row L-R:** Ciaran O'Shaughnessy, Ronan Barry, Luke Baxter, Alan O'Sullivan.

## Parents' Council 2007-2008



Back Row (L-R): Mr Conal Courtney (Treasurer), Mr John McSweeney, Mrs Ann-Marie Kenny, Mrs Gillian O'Kelly (Secretary), Mr David Lordon (Staff Representative), Dr David Hill (PRO); Front Row (L-R): Dr Ian O'Dowling, Mrs Myriam O'Connor, Mrs Mairead McWhinney, Mrs Caroline Akiboye-Conolly (PRO), Mr Thomas Hunter-McGowan (Chairperson).

The CBC Parents' Council is the representative body of parents in the College. It is now universally accepted that partnership is the key to children's enjoyable and successful life in education. The Parents' Council seeks to contribute towards this in a spirit of co-operation with all educational partners.

The council is elected by parents of children attending the school, and meets monthly. Its role is advisory and consultative, providing a home-school link and helping the school to provide wider opportunities for greater involvement of parents.

Over the past year the Council has been very busy. It co-ordinated with the Guidance and Counselling Department to organise a very successful Careers Evening for senior students, held a drugs awareness evening for parents, and has been involved in supporting the CBC sports day. The Council can be contacted on parentscouncil@cbccork.ie

## Rowing

Over the last number of years there has been a dramatic increase in rowing in the College. From First Year to Sixth Year the College has members in a number of the clubs including Cork Boat Club, Shandon Boat Club and Lee Rowing Club. CBC boys in all of the clubs have achieved success in their chosen rowing/sculling categories. In particular Fifth and Sixth Year students James Moroney and Patrick O'Kelly Lynch have proven to be a very strong junior 18 double scull crew, having won Skibereen head of the river in March and more recently silver at the Monkstown regatta. This shows great promise for the future of CBC rowing.



Cork Schools Transition Year Quiz Winners Back Row L-R: Joseph Shinkwin, Brian Slater

**Front Row L-R:** Rory Crotty, Shane Fitzgibbon.

## Transition Year Tour to Boston 2007

"For many of us it was our first trip to America and the long haul flight took its toll: a six hour flight, airline food and sitting next to supersized Americans. But once we flew into Logan Airport our attitudes changed and excitement took over again.

"For the majority of us the highlight of the tour was the Boston Celtics game. Sitting down with a hotdog in your hand, watching the game, this was a truly 'American' experience. None of us will ever forget how we out-cheered the Cavalier fans or the amazing half time show. Celtics played well that night and came away with a victory which added to the experience.

"Another great aspect of the Boston Tour was the shopping. On the second day we travelled to an enormous outlet centre just outside of the city. The cheap prices and designer labels meant that few of us could resist splashing the cash. A fair few of us came away very low on money but decked out to the tee with designer clothes.

"The city of Boston itself was amazing. At the top of the Prudential Centre the entire city was visible, from the colossal skyscrapers, to the hundreds of years old buildings which played a part in the foundation of America. We were also given a tour of Boston Bay by some 'hilarious' tour guides on board Duck amphibious vehicles. I don't think any of us will ever forget their 'jokes'.

"The Prudential Centre, across the road from our hotel, The Midtown, was a second home for us. Pizzas, burgers and even Chinese food were all available to us from its vast food court. We all, eventually, adjusted to the American way of eating.

## **Annual Lord Mayor's Visit**



**Greeting Cork's First Citizen** 

Prep School and Secondary School boys with their teachers, await the arrival of the Lord Mayor on the occasion of the annual visit of Cork's First Citizen to CBC.

"The Boston Red Sox are one of the greatest baseball teams in the world. After winning the World Series in 2004 there was a great revival of baseball in Boston with Red Sox home ground, Fenway Park, selling out every single week in a row. Visiting this famous stadium was another great high point of the tour. We saw the entire stadium and got a quick run down on the rules of baseball

"John F. Kennedy is possibly our most famous tie to America. In Boston we visited the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum which is dedicated to the memory of America's thirty-fifth president. In this museum we were given an insight into JFK's life and his struggle against communism. The most memorable part of this museum was being able to touch and see a piece of the Berlin Wall.

"It is clear from our stay in Boston that there is a significant Irish influence on the city and this is visible in its people, most of whom claim Irish heritage.

"This tour was thoroughly enjoyed by all fourth year students who travelled."



## Transition Year Ski Trip 2007 and Other Tours

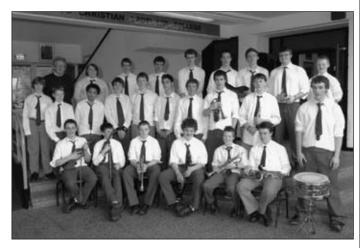
Several school tours were organised in CBC in 2006-07 to cater for different year groups, destinations and activities. In line with the Transition Year philosophy of broadening horizons and trying new things, a ski tour was organised for them (above). Other Transition Year pupils went on a tour to Boston in late March-early April. Pre-Junior Certs also headed for the USA. Taking advantage of the weak dollar they travelled to New York and Washington, where they enjoyed a great sight seeing experience, which included a reception at the Irish Embassy.



## **CBC Immersion Project**

On Monday 4 June, five teachers and eight pupils from CBC flew from Cork Airport to Zambia to participate in the third Zambia Immersion Project the school has undertaken in five years. The teachers Mr Simon Kelliher, Mr Edmond Hussey, Mr Alan Hickey, Mr Keith Moynihan and Mrs Mary Kelliher were accompanied by Fifth Year students Mark Moriarty, Peter McDonnell, Gary Houston, David Dorgan, Rory O'Donovan, Shane McCarthy, Conall O'Deasmhunaigh and Jamie Mc Mahon. Photo shows the group raising funds by busking in Patrick's Street.

## SCHOOL ORCHESTRA



Back Row (L-R): Mr Sean Dunne, Conor Lyons, Thomas Sutton, Bryan Humphreys, Shaun Fitzgerald, Michael O'Riordan, Eanna Clifford, Adam McEnery; Middle Row (L-R): Enda O'Riordan, Colm O'Riain, Finbar Conolly, James O'Nuanain, Dalach O'Deasmhunaigh, Aaron Lim, Daniel Lehane, Mathew Kelleher, Ruairi Glasheen; Front Row (L-R): John McCarthy, Kevin Galvin, David Higgins, Aodhaghan O'Deasmhunaigh, Neil Horgan.

## **Charitable Activities**

Ever conscious of keeping the spirit of Blessed Edmund Rice tangible for students, the College engages in a wide range of fund-raising activities under the guidance of teachers who form the Charitable Activities

Committee. During 2006/07, money was raised for the Zambia Project and for a wide range of local and national charities by street busking, non-uniform days, Christmas Appeal, soccer tournaments and the Cork Dog Track event.

## **CBC Arts Week November 2007**

During the week of November 12-16, students participated in the biennial CBC Arts Week. A number of experts gave workshops in their area of specialism, which included: poetry, music, film-making, callig-raphy and creative writing. The week concluded with a concert in the Hall on the Friday.

## **European Youth Parliament**



Mr Simon Coveney with a European Youth Parliament Group in CBC, one of the many activities engaged in by the Debating Society.

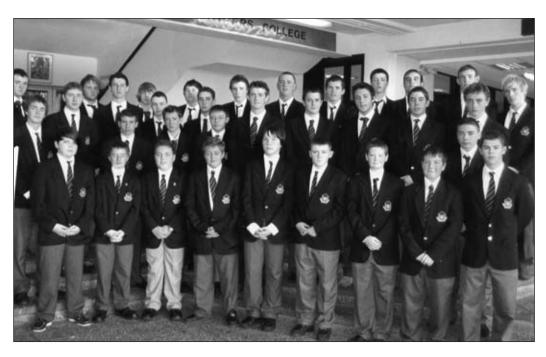
## **Christmas Star**

On Thursday, 6 December 2007, at the annual Christmas Concert and Carol Service, donations will be made from the annual CBC Christmas Appeal to local charities. The CBC Christmas Star will be lit by President of the PPU, Mr Vivian Nathan.

## YEAR BOOK

IT IS NEVER POSSIBLE TO INCLUDE AN ACCOUNT OF ALL THE ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS THAT TAKE PLACE IN CBC IN THE COURSE OF A SCHOOL YEAR IN THE ANNUAL NEWSLETTER. MORE COMPREHENSIVE COVERAGE WILL BE FOUND IN Christian Brothers College Year Book 2006-2007.

## Student Council 2007-2008



## Back Row (L-R):

Shane Browne, Billy O'Regan, Eolan McKernan, Kevin Horgan, Kevin Casey, Stuart Chisholm, Mark O'Sullivan, Gerard Finneran, Stephen Finn, Michael Buckley, Mark Harman, Ian Chisholm;

## Middle Row (L-R):

James O'Nuanain, Rowan Fitzgerald, Eoin O'Callaghan, Jack Hogan, Jeff Safar Hamidi, Hugh Murray, Josh Cogan, David Dorgan, David Hill, Cian Lougheed, Cian O'Halloran;

## Front Row (L-R):

Saul Goulding-Bradley, Edmond Heaphy, Luke Baldwin, Brad Morgan, David Purcell, Colm Hornibrook, Luke Sheffron, Brody Gallagher, Gregory Murphy, Alan O'Flynn.

## A New Generation Swipes in to CBC



his year saw the introduction to CBC of ultra-modern attendance/punctuality monitoring technology. The only vestige of the old roll call now left is the name of the new system:

Anseo.

From now on, parents will get a printout of their son's punctuality and attendance record included with the Christmas and summer reports.

It seemed appropriate that the first pupil to use the system should be a First Year boy, and Kevin Coughlan of 1A27, had the honour of being first to scan in.

Pupils may scan in at four points in the school. The First Year building, of course, is equipped with its own scanner. This is in line with the CBC policy of making 'First Year World' self-sufficient and separate from the rest of the school.

When the new First Years arrived in September, no other pupils were present on the day, allowing them to explore the entire school complex at their leisure, including the Labs, Art Rooms, Oratory, Sixth Year area, Offices and Campbell's catering facilities in the main building.

On that day, they were accompanied by their parents and attended a special Mass celebrated by Fr A. Morris, OP. They met with their Year Head, Mr Pat Kelleher, who has an office in the First Year building and is available to both pupils and parents throughout the school day.

In mid-September, parents were invited back for an evening meeting where they were able to discuss individual matters with Dr Jordan, the Year Head and the Class Teachers. On the night, the general consensus was that the boys were well settled into CBC.



1 OCTOBER 2007: THE FIRST PUPIL TO SWIPE IN IS KEVIN COUGHLAN OF FIRST YEAR



## CLASS 1A27

Back Row L-R: Patrick Leahy (CBC), Evan O'Keeffe (Scoil na nÓg, Glanmire), Edward Roche (CBC), Harry McCarthy (Ballinlough BNS), Adam McCarthy (CBC), Andrew Buckley (CBC), Eoin Fallon (Scoil Eoin NS, Innishannon), Evin Doyle (Gael Scoil an Ghoirt Álainn), David Purcell (St Columba's, Douglas);

Middle Row (L-R): Shahrukh Baig Mirza (CBC), Peter Jennings (Gaelscoil an Ghoirt Álainn), Sean O'Callaghan (CBC), Kevin Coughlan (Ballinlough BNS), Eoghan Rigney (Ballinlough BNS), Ian Reynolds (Scoil Barra, Beaumont), Ian O'Mahony (Gaelscoil an Ghoirt Álainn), Darragh O'Brien (St Columba's, Douglas);

Front Row (L-R): Shane O'Halloran (CBC), Nicholas Bradley (Scoil Barra, Beaumont), James Palmer-Sheehan (Ballinlough BNS), Adam Queen (CBC), Dane Hurn (Blarney BNS), Finbarr O'Brien (Lusaka International Community School), Jack McNamee (Ballintemple), Ciaran Lynch (St Columba's, Douglas), Timothy Lehane (Scoil Eoin, Innishannon),

Absent: Cian O'Leary (Blarney BNS).

## CLASS 1A28

Back Row L-R: Jack White (Scoil Barra Naofa, Beaumont), Darragh Moloney (CBC), Tadhg Arrigan (Cork School Project), Aran O'Keeffe (CBC), Sean Gill (St Columba's, Douglas), Rory Burke (Scoil an tAthar Tadhg, Carrignavar), Conor Foley (CBC), Kealon Gifford (CBC), Billy Thompson (St Columba's, Douglas);

Middle Row L-R: Edward Kenny (Ballinlough BNS), Daniel Galvin (Ringaskiddy), Samuel Butler (St Luke's), Abdullah Nasir (St Columba's, Douglas), Joseph Dowling (Scoil Barra, Beaumont), Ciaran McKenzie (CBC), Jake Walsh (Cork School Project), Patrick Moriarty (CBC), Devin Fitzgerald (Scoil na nÓg, Glanmire);

Front Row L-R: Mark Fenlon (CBC), Zachary Frenett (Norwood NS, Cobh), Daniel van Damme (Rushbrook NS, Cobh), Oisin Carroll (Cork School Project), Rory Kelleher (St Joseph's NS, Riverstown), Conor McGivern (Ballinlough BNS), Saul Goulding-Bradley (St Luke's NS), Robert Dunleavy (St Columba's, Douglas), Alan Murphy (Scoil Mhuire Naofa, Carrigtwohill).

## CLASS 1A29

Back Row L-R: Daniel Deloughry (Rushbrook NS, Cobh), Eoin Feeney (Dunderrow NS, Kinsale), Shaun Hennessy (St Patrick's), James Curran (CBC), Jack Moloney (CBC), Cian Halpin (CBC), Liam Mulcahy (CBC), Ronan Connolly (Scoil Oilibhéir), Gleb Dzhus (CBS, Blarney St);

Middle Row L-R: Min-Joon Kim (Korea), Matthew Grogan (CBC), Darren O'Dowling (Scoil Chríost Rí), Paul Martin (CBC), Fintan Óg Guilfoyle (St John the Baptist NS, Midleton), Neil Barry-Murphy (Ballinlough BNS), Maximilian Anthon (Rushbrook NS, Cobh), Liam Deasy (Scoil Ghobnatan, Mallow), Cian Hurley (Blarney BNS);

Front Row L-R: Scott Dennehy (Blarney BNS), Sean Keane (Scoil Oilibhéir), John Galvin (Ballinlough BNS), John Coleman (Blarney BNS), Sam McGinley (CBC), Zach Barker (Gaelscoil na Dúglaise), Ryan English (Scoil Oilibheír), Tae Kyeong Kim (Korea), Edmond Heaphy (CBC).



## CLASS 1A30

Back Row L-R: James Golden (Scoil Barra Naofa, Monkstown), Samuel Keogh (CBC), Ronan O'Sullivan (CBS, Midleton), Jack Whooley (Ballinlough BNS), Christopher Cocking (CBS, Midleton), Brendan Doyle (Glounthaune), James Cooke (Scoil Eoin, Ballincollig), Richard Quirke (Scoil Barra Naofa, Monkstown), Killian Burgess (St Joseph's, Mardyke);

Middle Row L-R: Bradley St Clair Morgan (CBC), P.J. O'Sullivan Green (Scoil Barra, Beaumont), Eoin Murphy (CBC), Christopher McAuliffe (Scoil Barra Naofa, Monkstown), Shane Galvin (Dripsey NS), Daniel O'Callaghan (Scoil Eoin, Ballincollig), Philip Kavanagh (CBC), Rory Vaughan (CBC);

Front Row L-R: Eric Daly (Glounthaune NS), Conor Blackton (Scoil na n-Óg), Niall O'Leary (Ballinlough BNS), Rory Slater (Crosshaven), Patrick Foley (Scoil Barra, Beaumont), Conor Moloney (CBS, Midleton), Michael Abernethy (CBS, Midleton), Cillian Monahan (Scoil na n-Óg, Glammire), James O'Flynn (Scoil Inse Ratha, Little Island).



Back Row L-R: Iain Wool (Scoil Eoin Aspal, Mayfield), Thomas Tierney (Holy Cross NS, Tramore), Ronan Hill (Marcellin College, Sydney, Australia), Daniel Buckley (CBC), Graham White (St Joseph's NS, Glanmire), Ian Clarke (St Columba's, Douglas), Sean Tunley (St Columba's, Douglas), Darragh Sean O'Brien (CBC);

Middle Row L-R: David Barry (Ballinlough BNS), Tomás Quinlan (CBC), Eamon Kenny (CBC), Ryan Foley (CBC), Conor Howley (CBC), Cian Cooper (Ballinlough BNS), James O'Mahony (Sundays' Well), Noel Barry (Gaelscoil an Ghoirt Álainn);

Front Row L-R: James Heffernan (Glounthaune N.S.), Brian Coomey (Glounthaune NS), James Burke (Ballinlough BNS), Joseph O'Connor (Cloghroe NS), Cian Browne (St Joseph's NS, Riverstown), Alexander Gannon (Togher BNS), Adam Courtney (Scoil Eoin Aspal, Mayfield), Robert Jones-Saleh (North Mon Primary School);

**Absent:** Raymond Watkins (North Mon. Primary School), Luke Baldwin (CBC), Joseph Langtry (Australia).





## PPU STILL VIBRANT IN ITS 76TH YEAR

uring 2006/07 the Past Pupils Union was extremely active in a range of activities within the College. The Union continued to support the annual Gold Medal Debate, the Sports Day, the Christmas Charity Appeal, and various rugby tours.

In addition, however, in April 2007, the Union decided to sponsor the annual awards ceremony of Blarney Street Life Centre, a special school set up by the Christian Brothers. The Union was represented by the President Mr Eamonn Muldoon.

The Union made a very generous contribution to the CBC Zambia Appeal 2007, supporting the students who travelled to Zambia in June 2007.

The annual dinner was held in the Imperial Hotel on 27 January 2007. The guest speaker was Mr Ray Martin (retiring teacher), who gave a lively account of



INCOMING PPU PRESIDENT MR VIVIAN NATHAN RECEIVES THE CONGRATULATIONS OF OUTGOING PRESIDENT MR EAMONN MULDOON.



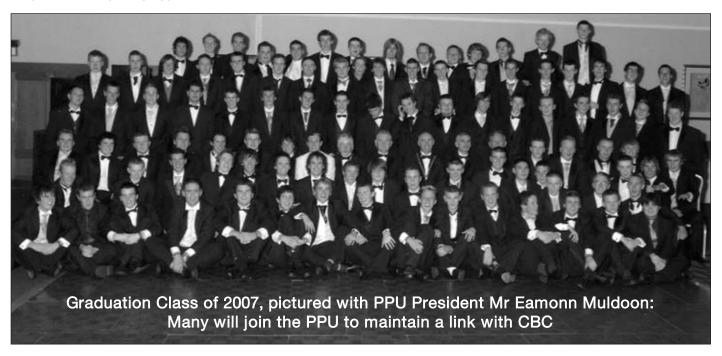
**76th Annual Dinner, Held in the Metropole Hotel on 27 January 2007 Back Row (L-R):** Mr Tony McCarthy (Deputy Principal), Mr Matt Foley, Mr Ray Martin, Brigadier-General Pat Hayes, Dr Larry Jordan (Principal), Mr Pat Cashman (Treasurer PPU), Mr Declan Daly (Chairperson Board of Management); **Front Row (L-R):** Brother P. O'Reilly, Cllr Dara Murphy (Deputy Lord Mayor), Mr Eamonn Muldoon (President PPU), Minister Micheál Martin TD (Minister for Trade, Enterprise and Employment), and Mr Peter Barry.

a lifetime spent in CBC. Presentations were made at the dinner by the Union to Mr Matt Foley and to Mr Ray Martin to mark their retirement from teaching in CBC.

During the year the Class of 1997 and the Class of 1977 held reunions.

On the evening of Thursday 22 November 2007, the AGM was held. The Union elected Mr Vivian Nathan as incoming President for 2007/08. The following were then elected to serve as officers and

committee for 2007/08: Vice-Presidents — Dr L.A. Jordan, Mr Vernon Jacobs, Mr Richard Keily, Mr Neil Jeffries and Mr Killian O'Sullivan; Hon. Secretaries — Mr Reginald Geary, and Mr Mark Collins; Hon. Treasurers — Mr Patrick Cashman and Mr Edward Kenny; Committee Members: Mr Seamus Parfrey, Mr Ross O'Dowling, Mr Philip Nathan and Mr Martin Owens.



## PREP SCHOOL

he highlight of the Preparatory School sporting year is the annual trip to Bath. On Friday 27 April a group of 34 Sixth Class pupils, led by Mr Steven Lynch, Mr Tony Martin, Mr Mark O'Sullivan and Mr Martin Owens assembled at Cork Airport to travel to Bath for the Annual Rugby Tour.

"After a very smooth flight, we touched down in Bristol Airport, where we were met by former member of staff Mr Ian Rea. Avon RFC have been our first opponents on tour for several years now and they are always very hospitable hosts. CBC won the first team game by the huge margin of 77-0, and lost the second team game 5-0 in a fiercely fought match. After we enjoyed refreshments at the Club, we headed back to our hostel for some well earned sleep.

"After breakfast on Saturday morning, we travelled to Walcott RFC for our second match, where the first team won 25-0 and unfortunately the second team lost 15-0. That day we also played Old C's and again the first team won 35-0 and the second team lost 15-0. After the games we were treated to a first class barbeque at the Club, which was much appreciated by all the boys.

"After resting for the afternoon we enjoyed an evening at the cinema before

## MRS SILE HAYES RETIRES



It truly seemed the end of an era in CBC Prep School in May 2007 when Mrs Síle Hayes decided to retire from her position in the College as class teacher and Preparatory School Head. Over the years, Mrs Hayes was a remarkable teacher who was always a friend to pupils, parents and teachers. Mrs Hayes was replaced as Prep School Head by Mr Dennis Lenihan who has been a Sixth Class teacher for a number of years.

Mrs Hayes and newly appointed Prep School Head Mr Dennis Lenihan are pictured above at a presentation to mark Mr Ian Rea's farewell to CBC Prep.

## APRIL '07 RUGBY TOUR TO BATH



The squad of 34 players with trainers and helpers prior to setting out

heading to bed. Rising early the following morning we travelled to Bath RFC for a big tournament. We played competitive games against Winchester RFC, Haven RFC, and Bath RFC, and unfortunately just came off second best in each game. The opposition was of a very high standard and our boys can be very proud of how they performed. While these games were on, the boys who were not involved played a friendly against Bath RFC and won convincingly 20-0.

"On Sunday evening we enjoyed a trip to Pizza Hut followed by an evening's bowling where Mr Rea narrowly beat Mr Martin winning the staff contest. On Monday the boys enjoyed their last few hours shopping in Bath before we headed back to Bristol for the flight home. After a very enjoyable flight home the tired but happy group were met by a great welcome from parents, brothers and sisters..."

## **JUNIOR INFANTS CLASS OF 2007-2008**



BACK Row L-R: Mrs Denise Lowry; Tom Downey, Ryan Smith, Marcus Corcoran, Tom McCarthy, Mark Callanan, David Varma, John O'Connor; MIDDLE Row L-R: Andrew Cremin, Craig O'Mahony, Tom Healy, Cillian Fisher, Daniel O'Connor, Timmy Waterman, Zac Casey; FRONT Row L-R: Denis Sisk, Rafue Islam, Arthur Gray, Eric Healy, Brook Davis, Freddie Froggatt, Aaron Naqui, Howard Murphy.

## Annual Awards 2006-2007

ACADEMIC AWARDS SPECIAL MERIT

CLASS FIRST PLACE Colin Martin 1A27 Conor Cremin Dylan Stokes 1A28 John McCarthy Ryan Murphy Fintan Sheehan David McCann 1A29 Alan Courtney Charles Slowey Robert Bilginer 1A30 Robert O'Dowling Dylan Connolly Ronán O'Connor Diarmuid Burke 1A31 Brian Finn 2A1 Cillian Williamson Breifne Muldoon Ronan Power 2A2 Thomas Hogan Owen McSweenev Alan O'Regan 2A3 Paul Ryan James Cunningham Kris Flemina Michael O'Halloran

**JUNIOR CERTIFICATE 2007** FIRST PLACE: Cillian Power

Aaron O'Connor

Harry Cocking

**Bryant Landingin** 

2A4

2A5

CLASS FIRST PLACE SECOND PLACE Andrew O'Regan 3A9 Daniel Ahern 3A10 James Vaughan Seamus Ennis Finbarr Akiboye-Conolly 3A11 Nathan Scott Robert Grav 3A12 **Daniel Purcell** Stuart Chisholm 3A14 (Cilian Power) Shane Riordan, Aidan Reynolds, Finbarr Harnedy

Isaac O'Kelly

Craig Burns

FIRST PLACE: Shane Fitzgibbon Special Merit:

FOURTH YEAR

Asfand Baig, Robbie Murphy, Eoin O'Sullivan, Davoren Leung,

John Mitchell, David Field, Matthew Tracey, Ciaran McConnell

FIFTH YEAR

FIRST PLACE: Mark Moriarty

SPECIAL MERIT:

Garreth Freeman, James Moroney, Charles Crowley, Mark Harman, Kevin Collins, David Drohan, Kevin Jones

**LEAVING CERT 2007** 

JOINT FIRST PLACE: Tony Buckley, Eanna Clifford, Kieran O'Mahony

**LEAVING CERTIFICATE AWARDS:** 

Sebastian Barwich, Jerry Buckley, Eoin Kiely, Shane O'Dowling-Keane, Richard Murphy, Robert Hogan, Kyle McEnery

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR AWARDS

HURLING J.P. Carroll, Dylan Stokes PITCH AND PUTT Eoin Shannon GAELIC FOOTBALLCiarán O'Shaughnessy GOLE Ricky Mooney **SWIMMING** Paul Laffan **SCOUTS** Simon Henley-Willis SAILING Robert Lehane, Iarlaith Kennedy, James Sullivan, Richard Murphy **TENNIS** Kevin O'Keeffe, Mark Moriarty Robert O'Regan, Kyle McEnery **RUGBY** Charley Slowey 1113 U14: Conor Scannell, Mark Kennedy Junior: Cathal Gallagher

U16: Brian Slater Senior: Andrew Cudmore Peter Wilson Award: Aidan Foley DEBATING Ian Chisholm

ROWING Eolan McKernan, James Moroney Patrick O'Kelly-Lynch, John Coughlan, Shane Ryan, Kevin Horgan BASKETBALL Keith Daly Fergus Daly BUSINESS **CALLIGRAPHY** Aaron Lim Eoin Kiely, Tony Buckley **MATHS** Kyle McEnery, Michael O'Byrne **PHYSICS** Mark Moriarty Paul Hill, Robert Nash, SCIENCE Daniel Purcell SOCCER Foin Kilcommons **ATHLETICS** Chris Murnane, Michael O'Sullivan IRISH Shaun McCarthy HISTORY Ronan Fitzsimons **LANGUAGES** Sebastian Barwich ANDREW QUINLAN AWARD

Daniel McWhinney SOCIAL AWARENESS AWARD

Sean Burke, Andrew O'Donoghue YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD: Meitheal Team: Matthew Sands, Kevin Hennessy,

David Dorgan, Jamie McMahon, Colm Lyne, Rory O'Donovan, Daniel McWhinney, John Coughlan

**BLESSED EDMUND RICE AWARD** 

Zambia Group:

David Dorgan, Jamie McMahon, Rory O'Donovan, Shane McCarthy, Mark Moriarty. Conall O'Deasmhunaigh

FATHER MIKE WHELAN AWARD

Rory O'Donovan, Kevin Hennessy ROCK MUSIC AWARD Shaun Fitzgerald JUNIOR MUSIC AWARD

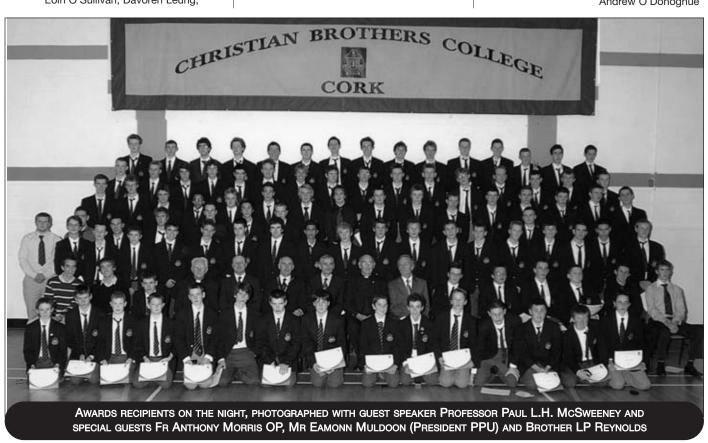
James Cunningham SENIOR MUSIC AWARD Paul McNamara

**GRETCHEN CROSBIE AWARD** 

Ruairí Glasheen

BROTHER REYNOLDS STUDENT OF THE YEAR AWARD 2006/2007:

Andrew O'Donoghue



## SPORTS ROUNDUP

Sport continues to be an important part of life in CBC. Though rugby is the main College sport, pupils have ample opportunity to participate and compete in a wide variety of other sports as well. This 'Roundup' page gives a brief and random account of the myriad of sporting activities in which CBC pupils were involved in the year 2006-07.

## **Sports Day**

Perhaps the biggest change in the sporting life of CBC was the revitalised Sports Day of last April at UCC, Mardyke. The PE Department harnessed the good will of all teachers towards this annual event and organised a marvellous day of fun and serious competition. All events were run like clockwork and there was a great surge in participation compared to previous years. PPU President Mr Eamonn Muldoon was on hand to present the prizes at the end of a most enjoyable day.

## Pupils v Teachers

The Sports Day highlight was the soccer match between super-fit Sixth Years and hopeful teachers. The match ended a 3-3 draw. According to the report in the CBC 2006-07 Year Book, the teachers managed to come back from being two goals down by fielding four extra players. This fifteen-man team, it is alleged, was also helped by 'some dubious decisions against the students'. However, it should be noted that the report was written by school captain Mark Walsh.

## Tennis

This year, CBC were defending champions of the South of Ireland Schools Tennis Championship. In the preliminary round, the team overcame a strong Douglas Comp side. In the second round, they had battle hard against Bishopstown, but finally emerged victorious. CBC faced Waterford in the final, one of whose players is ranked first in Ireland. This time a stronger and more experienced team knocked CBC out of the competition, but not without a fight.



Under-19 Basketball Team:

Back Row (L-R): Aidan King, Keith Daly, Kian Houlihan, Jason Coughlan, Paul Hill; Front Row (L-R): Craig Sykes, John McGarry, Gearoid Wrixon, Conor Mangan, David Hill.

## **CBC's Transition Year Gaelic Football Team Wins the Lord Mayor's Cup**



CIARÁN O'SHAUGHNESSY, CAPTAIN OF CBC'S VICTORIOUS LORD MAYOR'S CUP TEAM, RECEIVES THE TROPHY AT PAIRC UI RINN LAST MAY.

### Golf

The senior team took part in two competitions this year but, unfortunately, did not feature in the prizes. The highlight of the year was the trip to the K Club, host of the 2007 Ryder Cup. The trip, which took place during the Easter holidays, involved six teachers and six pupils playing both the Smurfit and Palmer courses. The student team consisted of Mooney, Rickey Shane Whooley, Daniel Hallissey, Josh Cogan, Neil McCarthy and Matt Sands; while the teacher line-up was as follows: Mr Sean Walshe, Mr Russell Foley, Mr Tom Crowe, Mr Tony Wall, Mr Donal O'Callaghan and Mr Dennis Lyons.

## Pitch and Putt

Pitch and Putt is becoming an increasingly popular College activity, especially at Junior level, with over 70 pupils participating in College trials this year.

## Soccer

The first match in the Munster Schools Cup pitted CBC against Ashton Comprehensive School. CBC won 3-2. Carrigaline Community School was the next obstacle on the way to the trophy, but that proved to be a fatal stumbling block. The game was played in

Carrigaline's own pitch and, during lunchtime, over 300 of their pupils came along to support their team. This injected so much life into the game — on the Carrigaline side — that by the time lunchtime was over, Carrigaline were three goals to the good. That ended CBC's bid for soccer glory in the 2006-07 school year.

## Hurling

The hurling teams competed in several competitions including the O'Callaghan Cup (and shield) Cork Colleges Senior competition, the Lord Mayor's Cup, and the Under-16A Cork Colleges competition. CBC put on great performances in some very lively encounters. It was an enjoyable season despite the lack of silverware at the end.



SENIOR TRACK EVENTS WERE HOTLY CONTESTED ON CBC SPORTS DAY, APRIL 2007.

# **Rugby 2006-07**

Thile the 2006/07 rugby season did not see cups arrive in the trophy cabinet, CBC teams contested the Senior Cup final and the Bowen Shield final. In addition, the Under-14 team lost narrowly in the semi-final after a good league campaign.

Elsewhere, the Under-13 team proved to be the most improved team of the year, playing some exhilarating rugby towards the end of the season and beating some notable opposition along the way, especially Terenure College and Belvedere College.

CBC Junior team put up spirited performances in the new Munster Junior Cup format, before exiting to St Munchin's in Limerick.

In addition to demanding training sessions and a very keen programme of inter-schools friendlies, a growing number of rugby tours now form part of the CBC calendar of events. The Under-12s travelled to Bath, the Under-13s to France in



Irish Schools Caps Chris Nolan and Kyle O'Dwyer



Munster Schools Under-18 Caps
Left to Right Brian O'Callaghan, Kyle O'Dwyer, Chris Nolan
and Jack Bransfield

April, the Seniors to a special training camp in La Manga in Spain.

Congratulations to our representative players this year — Darragh Dunne, Brian Hayes, William Ryan, Ronan Barry, Damien Attridge, and Evan O'Sullivan who played for Munster Under-16; Kyle O'Dwyer, Brian O'Callaghan, Chris Nolan, and Jack Bransfield

who played for Munster Schools Under-18; Stephen Holland, Derek Houlihan, Robert O'Donoghue, John Noonan, and John Ryan who played for Munster Schools Under-19; and Derek Houlihan, Kieran Essex for Munster Club U-19. Also a number of players from CBC represented the College on the national side — Chris Nolan and Kyle O'Dwyer played for



The CBC Senior Cup winning team of 2003 has moved on: Captain Ross Noonan and centres Johnny McCarthy and Karl Mitchell, having completed their courses in UCC, were presented with honours degrees in Business Information Systems (BIS), Civil Engineering, and Electrical Engineering, respectively, in September. Ross, currently on the injured list, plays rugby professionally for Bedford.

Ireland Schools Under-18, and Kieran Essex played for Ireland Under-19.

During the 2007/08 rugby season CBC is joined by Mr Pat Langtry as Head Senior Coach and as Assistant Director of Rugby. Pat is currently coach to the Australian Schools' National side and comes to CBC from his school, St Edmund's Secondary School, Canberra, where he is a teacher and senior rugby coach.

## **Heineken Cup Comes to Prep School**



On 2 March 2007, the Heineken Cup, accompanied by Donncha O'Callaghan, Tomás O'Leary, Darragh Hurley and Jerry Holland came to CBC. They are pictured above in the Prep School.