
CLASS OF

2018



WORDS OF WISDOM FROM OUR TEACHERS AND MENTORS AT BCS



Ms Lowney
(Principal)

As your time in Ballincollig Community School comes to a close, I wish you all the very best for the future. I am sure that these last few weeks have brought a mixture of emotions for many of you – feelings of joy and sadness, anxiety, and anticipation. It can be both exciting and a little daunting facing change and the unfamiliar. The things that will remain constant, the anchor as you move on, will be your memories of your time at BCS and your friendships. Value both as you enter the next phase of your lives.

Life is at your fingertips

But don't just leave it there

Grasp it with both hands and never let it go

And soon you will realise how much possibility lies before you.

You take the good wishes of the whole school community with you as you move on to the next chapter in your lives.

Good luck to you all.



Iníon Uí Mhurchú
(Year Head)

“Ní bhíonn aon rud ach seal”. Indeed, nothing lasts forever. All things must come, to an end, and so the end of your time in BCS has arrived. It is with a certain sadness that I put pen to paper on this occasion. While writing this article, memories of your time in school come to mind, memories that I will cherish and look back on with fond thoughts.

Your journey through the school has been filled with a mix of moments of joy and happiness, but also, with moments of pressure and stress. I hope that your time here has been an enjoyable experience, that you feel ready and able to meet the daily challenges of life as you leave here, and that you will always experience a welcome in BCS when you revisit us.

I would like to take this opportunity to firstly thank the year book committee who have worked so hard over the past number of months to complete this project. A special mention goes to Karolina, Caoimhe, Ciara, Ellen, Amber, Amy, Laura, Jack, and Saoirse. Also, thanks to all those who wrote articles, gathered information, and provided photos.

I know that you will allow me this opportunity to say a word of thanks to all the staff who have guided you during your time here. Also, a word of thanks goes to your parents and guardians, and I would ask you not forget the sacrifices your parents and guardians have made for you.

Mar fhocal scoir guím gach rath oraibh, agus go n-eirí go geal libh sna scrúduithe. Go mbaine sibh sult agus spraoi as an leabhar bliana. Gach rath oraibh sa todhcháí.

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September 2012 and it's a whole new year, bringing with it a nervous excited bunch of first years all dressed in their new shiny uniforms, floundering around the corridors, searching for locker keys and eagerly listening to Iníon Uí Mhurchú at assembly each morning.

Fast forward to September 2017 and it's a whole new year again with a whole new scene for that same bunch of students. The uniforms aren't quite so shiny, they're far too cool for school and they're listening skills at assembly have gone down a notch or two despite Iníon Uí Mhurchú's best efforts. Yet they are still kind, generous to each other and they have matured into responsible young adults ready to take the next step in life. Sixth Years, as you prepare for your exams and hopefully a long enjoyable summer afterwards I want to wish you all the very best in the days ahead and to remind you of the words of Max Ehrmann,

*You are a child of the universe,
No less than the trees and the stars;
You have a right to be here,
And whether, or not it is clear to you,
No doubt the universe is unfolding as it should.
Therefore, be at peace with God,
Whatever you conceive him to be,
And whatever your labours and aspirations,
In the noisy confusion of life keep peace with your soul
With all its sham, drudgery, and broken dreams,
It is still a beautiful world,
Be cheerful,
Strive to be happy*

I wish the class of 2018 happiness and success in the future and I thank you for your contribution to Ballincollig Community School. As you take the next step in your journey I hope that you will carry into life happy memories of the six years at Ballincollig Community School. I wish you the best of luck as you prepare for your upcoming exams and set out on your life journey.



Ms Waterman
(Deputy Principal)



Ms. Forde
(Deputy Principal)

FIRST YEAR

Coming from a small primary school I was understandably nervous walking through the doors of BCS for the first time. Within a few weeks it felt like a second home. First year was a blur full of activities such as surfing, trips to the cinema and a day in Kinsale Outdoor Event Centre. Having a chance to try many different subjects was a great opportunity. I really enjoyed my time in first year and made great friends that I still have six years later.

Orla Murphy

CSPE Project



Éacht Awards 2013





Tráth na gCeist Bóird



Kinsale Outdoor Education Centre

FIRST YEARS 2012



AHERN, KIRSTIE



ALVES DOS SANTOS, ISADORA



BENSON, RACHEL



BOYD, BRIAN



BOYLE, OISIN



BRENNAN, DAVID



BUCKLEY, CILLIAN



BUCKLEY, DAVID



BUCKLEY, ELLA



BUCKLEY, GAVIN



BURNETT, ADAM



CAFFERKEY, RACHEL



CARROLL, ORNA



CASEY, JAMES



CASEY, REBECCA



COLLINS, DARREN



COLLINS, GRACE



CONNOLLY, NATHAN



CORKERY, JOHN



CREEDON, DAVID



CREEDON, ELLEN



CRONIN, ANN MARIE



CRONIN, DANIEL



CROTTY, CIARA



CULLINANE, KATE



DAVIS SMITH, KIERAN



DENNY, CIAN



DORGAN, OLAN



DOWNEY, CONOR



DOYLE, JOHN



ELEKE, RILWAN



FARRELL, ALICE



FLANNERY, ERICA



FLYNN, CHRISTOPHER



FOLEY, ALEX



FORDE, TIM



FORDE, ZACKARY



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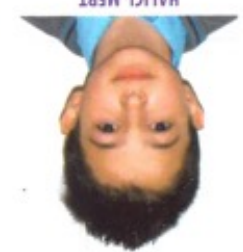
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HEINEN, CLODAGH



HALICI, MERT



MYLER, MAX



MILLER, JOSHUA



MANNIX, ADAM



KRAUSS, AARON



KARCZMARZYK, ALEKSANDRA



HENDRICK, COLM



HAMILL, NIAMH



NYAGAVA, JOSHUA



MILNER, LIAM



MARTIN, KELVIN



LAMOKNOV, ARSENI



KELLEHER, JEROME



HOGAN, JASON



HARRINGTON, AURNY



O'BRIEN, AMY



MINIHANE, JENNIFER



MCCARTHY, ROISIN



LINEHAN, KIAN



KELLY, AOIFE



HOGAN, SEAN



HEALY, GRACE



O'BRIEN, CLODHNA



MOORE, JAMES



MCCARTHY, SAOIRSE



LYNCH, EVAN



KELLY, EVAN



HOULIHAN, SEAN



HEALY, SEAN



O'BRIEN, KYA



MURPHY, CAMERON



MCGRATH, CAOIMHE



LYNCH, KATIE



KENNY, JAMIE



HYPOLITE, NESSA



HEGARTY, RUAIRI



O'CALLAGHAN HALLISSEY,
JOHN



O'CALLAGHAN, SARAH



O'CALLAGHAN, THOMAS
PETER



O'CALLAGHAN, WILLIAM
CHRISTOPHER



O'CONNELL, BRADLEY



O'CONNELL, EADAOIN



O'CONNOR, REBECCA



O'DONOGHUE, BENJAMIN



O'DONOVAN, AISHLING



O'DRISCOLL GANTLY, KILLIAN



O'DRISCOLL, COLIN



O'DRISCOLL, MICHAEL



O'DRISCOLL, OLIVIA



O'FARRELL, AOIFE



O'KEEFE, STEPHEN



O'LEARY MCCARTHY, DEAN



O'LEARY, ELEANOR



O'LEARY, FIONA



O'LEARY, LAURA



O'RIORDAN, NIAMH



O'SULLIVAN, CIARAN



O'SULLIVAN, JAMIE



O'SULLIVAN, SHAUNA



O'LEARY, TAYLOR



OSABOUIHEN, BLESSING



PETERS, DEAN



RICE, MICHAELA



SHEEHAN, AARON



SMITH, MORGAN



STACK, TYRONE



STUART, NICHOLAS



SWEENEY, KATE



TOBIN KIRBY, CIAN



TWOMEY, SHAUNA



URBAN, WIKTORINA



WALDOCK, MARCUS



WARD, RYAN



WAUGH, LAURYN



WILLS, ADAM



WNEK, KAROLINA



WOOD, GRACE



YELVERTON, DAVID

SECOND YEAR

Second year feels like it happened much longer ago than four years, as if we managed to stick an extra 10 years or so in there somewhere. But from what I can remember of it we all had a good time. There was a trip to Trabolgan, where we did Go Karting, Zip Lining, Swimming, along with a lot of other activities. Some students in the year group took part in the annual Eurofoot competition. Also a group of students took part in the Vex Robotics competition in C.I.T. Unfortunately, we were not successful but we achieved an award for sportsmanship. Second year was capped off with a memorable Sports Day.

Ben O'Donoghue

Eacht Awards Second Year 2014



Eurofoot Second Year



teams.

Arseni, Cameron and myself went to France for Eurofoot 2014. We travelled by plane from Cork to Nantes. We were hosted by families of the local team AS Sautron who ended up winning the tournament that year. We stayed near the village of Vigneux De Britagne. The tournament is organised every year by local volunteers. We are the only team in Ireland to compete in the tournament each year. In 2014 there were teams from Germany, Portugal, England, Netherlands, and Slovakia. The standard was very high, with a number of professional French underage teams taking part, like Saint Etienne, FC Nantes and Nice. Coming 21st out of 32 teams wasn't our best finish, but, unfortunately, we got the wrong side of the draw, having to play a number of strong

Brian Boyd

Second Year School Tour - Trabolgan





In second year, myself, and some other students participated in the Vex Robotics competition. I believe for most of us it was a very educational experience. While we did not win the competition, we were commended for our sportsmanship because we helped other teams with their robots. We also learned a lot about teamwork and made many friends during the competition.

Adam Burnett

Vex Robotics



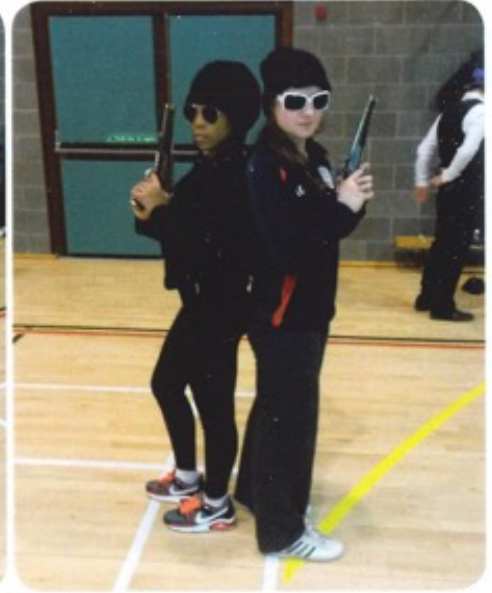
Sports Day 2014

THIRD YEAR

CSPE Trip to Dáil Éireann



PE Drama and Dance Module



Junior cert History quiz 2015



Junior Cert Results



Eacht Awards 2015

FOURTH YEAR TRANSITION YEAR

School Tour - Pinzolo Italy 2016

Shaking with the cold and sick with excitement, we boarded the bus early one morning in January 2016. The time had finally come when we would be jetting off to Pinzolo, Italy for our ski trip. It's difficult to pick out one overall highlight but some of them include:

- Being sorted into the 4 groups:
 - 1) Iníon Uí Mhurchú's Babies
 - 2) Ms Chute's Snow Bunnies
 - 3) The Toolbox – led by Mr. O'Toole
 - 4) The Bread and Buttimers
- The sunset we saw from the bus on the evening of our arrival.
- Hotel Edelweiss – which was an experience within itself
- Our tour co-ordinator Nancy who was well up for the craic
- Going up the mountainside in a gondola for the first time
- Putting on a pair of skis and realising that it's not as easy as it looks!
- Witnessing Iníon Uí Mhurchú's prowess as an Olympic-level skier
- The majestic view of the mountains from the summit
- The exhilarating rush down the red slopes
- Racing to the mountain restaurant to place an early order for the pizza which was sacred
- 'SNOW PLOUGH!'



Seán Houlihan





Paintballing

Laura O'Leary

I jumped at the opportunity to help out in the local school, Our Lady of Good Counsel. As I was lucky enough to have visited this school when I was in primary school also. I knew already how great the kids were. Every week we would catch the news segment of their class, where every student would share a piece of news from their week. The majority of my time, was spent chatting, and painting the girls nails in the class. I would often end up outside playing a soccer match with the boys and girls from various classes. I found my trips here both insightful and fulfilling as I got to see both the amazing work of the teachers and I got to spend time with them and help them in my own way. It really felt great making some sort of a difference in the community.

Our Lady of Good Counsel



School Tour - Pinzolo Italy 2016

Food Craft Module



Build a Bank Challenge

Build A Bank in BCS - Bank to The Future

As part of our Transition Year programme, we got the opportunity, to showcase our creativity, innovation and entrepreneurship when our school got involved for the first time in the AIB Build a Bank Challenge. Interested students were interviewed by Ms Carol Kiely AIB, Ballincollig, and a team was set up consisting of 6 members, David Buckley, Bank Manager, Amy O'Brien, Assistant Manager, Jerome Kelliher Financial Controller, Karolina Kot, Digital Officer, Niamh O'Riordan Sales and Marketing Executive and Kate Sweeney Customer Service Representative.

We got the opportunity to give back to our school learning skills that will stand to us for life. Not only were we introduced to the world of banking and business, but we also got to win the prize of Best First New Comer in the Build A Bank Challenge in 2016. It was a great experience for us all!

David Buckley



Charity Soccer Tournament TY

Charity Soccer Tournament for 1st Years

When we were in Transition Year a group of us thought it would be a good idea to fund raise for a charity. We approached Ms. Cronin who gave us great encouragement and support.

We chose Edel House; a centre which looks after women and children who are victims of domestic violence.

Our organising committee was Stephen O'Keeffe, Kate Sweeney, Niamh O'Riordan, Alice Farrell, Kelley Smyth, Ella Buckley, and David Buckley.

We had 100 first years involved and a number of our year group helped out with refereeing and mentoring.

We are very grateful to O'Keeffe's bakery for sponsoring food and drinks on the day and a very special thanks to them for sponsoring the perpetual trophy and medals.

We collected a total €431 which we delivered to the centre.

Stephen O'Keeffe





Fourth Year Awards Night

Jason Hogan

There were 32 teams in the competition and BCS is the only school from Ireland to enter. We were competing against strong clubs such as the youth teams of FC Nantes, Wolverhampton and Madrid. The standard of football was extremely high. We played six matches over the weekend. Unfortunately we didn't finish in the top 10, but we did finish in 11th place, which was quite an achievement, considering the teams we were up against. The biggest memory for us, I have to say, is not where we finished but the experience we had of participating in such a great tournament and meeting so many cool people from all around Europe and from such top quality European soccer clubs. At the end of the tournament, the whole team went out together with our host families and celebrated. We had a great night and the following morning we hit the road for the airport and we caught our flight back home to Cork. It was one of the best experiences of my life and I'd love to go back and do it all again. I would certainly recommend that upcoming soccer players try out for the team and continue on with this tradition.



ever meet. We miss him a lot and we still keep in touch on Snapchat.

France to represent our school and country in an U17 soccer tournament. It was difficult to make the team as there was a lot of tough competition for places in the squad, but I was lucky enough to make it. We flew to Nantes in France and took a bus to the stadium where all the games would be held. We were introduced to host families and we were divided into pairs. Each pair of students had their own host family. Keelin Foley and I stayed in Felix's house. Felix was the funniest coolest man you'll



In June 2016 a number of students from 2nd, 4th and 5th year were lucky enough to get the opportunity to travel to Vignaux de Bretagne in

Eurofoot 2016



Kaolenna Kot.

- Entertainment from Laura O'Leary throughout
- Pizza nights at the hotel.
- The whole bus journey is certainly a highlight for us all. "Laura on the mic" made us laugh more than "510ii"
- Celebrating Annmarie's and Jerome's birthdays.
- Eating our body weight in chocolate at the games of Take Me Out that will never be forgotten.
- Butler's Chocolate Factory.
- Haribo jelly rings symbolising engagements.
- Doing the Croke Park skywalk.
- Ms.Cronin's quiz on the way home.
- Spending the first evening skiing before we took
- Cornac the bus driver.
- Over McDonalds.

planned to the very last detail. This trip undoubtedly had many highlights however, some of the most vibrant ones include:

As part of Transition Year, we got the opportunity to take part in a trip to Dublin for three days. Filled with excitement and joined by Ms.Cronin and Ms.Arsian, we began our trip on January 21st 2016. This trip is one that we look back on fondly to this day as it was a brilliant trip that Niamh O'Riordan with the help of Ms.Cronin

Dublin Trip





Ballincollig Community School





Community School



Gaisce



The minute I heard about Gaisce it instantly appealed to me. I believe it was a great opportunity to socialize and to take up new skills and activities you always dreamed of taking part in. For me it was badminton and music. I also had a great desire to help in the local community and so I visited the nearby school 'Our Lady Of Good Council'. To top it all off we got to spend two days in an activity centre 'West Cork Secret' where we completed a series of walks and took part in many activities. A group of us girls along with Ms.Kiely and Mr.O'Sullivan (Who wasn't so impressed) spent our night there roasting marshmallows by the fire. Gaisce was unforgettable and an achievement I will treasure for life.

Laura O Leary.



West Cork Secret





YSI was definitely one of the best modules we did in fourth year. It was a great chance to get to know other people in our year as we spent a lot of time together every Monday evening. It was split into two groups, one worked on an action project, and the group I was in worked on improving the community around us. We helped worthy charities like Cork Penny Dinners and Chernobyl Children International. We held a food drive in the school and got to bring the food into Cork Penny Dinners in town with the help of Ms Whelan. We met with two girls affected by the Chernobyl disaster Yana and Nastia. Their carers received money we raised through our silent disco. Both groups travelled to Dublin at the end of the year for the YSI Showcase and it was a great day out. Overall this was a great module, we learned many new skills and had a lot of fun with our friends.

Saoirse Mc Carthy.



Cian O'Sullivan.



Overall, the Ceremony was great fun to take part in and a great experience to have had, the ceremony, we got to take pictures with Paddy Bonner, Paddy Barnes and Ryan Tubridy, and spent the rest of the ceremony listening to many different musical acts. At the end of the ceremony, including many celebrities. We received the flag on behalf of the school three with our history teacher Mr. O'Sullivan and Ms Kieley. Thousands of people attended and receive a flag on behalf of the school. We travelled to Dublin by train in a group of as part of a group, to take part in the 1916 Centenary Ceremony.

even if Ryan missed the train...

Remembering 1916. Proclamation Day

In Transition Year I was lucky enough to get to travel to Dublin,



Grace Wood.

It's safe to say our performance of Grease was definitely one of the highlights of Transition Year. We came together with Terence Mac Sweeney school and Douglas Community school to put on an amazing show in the Opera House. When we began rehearsals I'd say most of us thought we'd never be ready for the Opera House stage but in the last few days coming up to the show things started to come together and we began to bond with people in the year we hadn't even talked to before. Some of us developed close friends that we still have today from the other schools we worked with. Some of us who had never even sang in public before took to the stage with solos and through this they discovered talents they never knew they had. Grease was something we all worked really hard at and the broken lightbulb in Terence Mac Sweeney can be overlooked!

Grease

FIFTH YEAR

Éacht 2017



LCA 2017

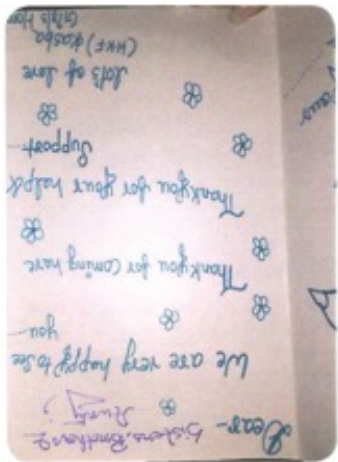


Kolkata 2017

In February 2017, 13 students from our year, accompanied by 3 of our teachers, were lucky enough to travel with the Hope Foundation to Kolkata, India. After fundraising tirelessly for our trip, we finally set off during mid-term in February of 5th year. It was an exhausting journey and we spent almost 24 hours travelling, between the bus to Dublin airport followed by, an 8 hour journey, to Dubai airport and then 4 hours from there to Kolkata. When we finally arrived, it was safe to say we were all extremely tired but no less excited for the week ahead. Our first taste of India came almost immediately on the bus from the airport to our hotel. From the manic traffic to the sheer number of people on the streets it was quite the culture shock to us all but only increased our anticipation to begin meeting the people and to see more of the city. After a quick nap in the hotel we set off to visit our first home. The Hope Foundation does wonderful work for children living on the streets in Kolkata and we were honoured to have been given the chance to meet some of these children and witness first-hand the extraordinary way in which the Hope Foundation changes their lives. The week was spent visiting the homes and interacting with the children who were all extremely friendly and outgoing. They loved dancing for us and then in turn would do a song or a dance for them. They were so easily pleased and could spend hours on end playing with the bubbles or balloons we brought them. Every single child we meet was so special and despite their circumstance they all still had a smile on their faces. We will remember and cherish the time we spent with them for the rest of our lives. As well as visiting the homes, we got to see, a number of other projects, undertaken by the Hope Foundation such as the Hope hospital, cafe and shop. We also spent a day travelling the city and visiting the sites. It was unbelievable to see that despite the extreme poverty we were witnessing during our trip we could get on a bus and 5 minutes later be standing outside the most beautiful, extravagant buildings. We spent our evenings in the hotels eating some interesting dinners, being taught Indian and getting Henna tattoos. It was an amazing chance for us to be able to experience such a different culture. From the food to the customs I don't think a day went by that we weren't surprised, by 10 different things we saw or did. It is difficult to put into words what this trip meant to each of us and how it affected us and will continue to affect us for the rest of our lives, however,

that it is safe to say that it opened our eyes in a way we could not have possibly imagined and that each and everyone one of us will hold the remarkable people we met in our hearts forever. I have no doubt many of us will be returning in years to come!

Grace Collins.



SIXTH YEAR

Rang Barra



Rang Colm



SIXTH YEAR

Rang Eimear



Rang Fiona



Guagán Barra

On the 14th of November 2017 a group of us travelled to Guagán Barra for the day with Iníon Uí Mhurchú, Mrs Fleming and Mrs Murphy. Mrs Fleming came up with the idea for us to go, so that we could get a break from school for a while and re-energise. Thankfully the weather was dry, and we got to spend the whole day in the fresh air. We all had a great day, and it certainly gave us the opportunity to destress.

Rachel Cafferkey



Girls U19 Basketball



The Girls U19 Basketball team played in the Final in Neptune on December 4th against St. Mary's Secondary school Macroom. This was a great game of basketball with never more than a few points separating the sides. Each team had their turn to lead but neither team could establish their superiority. This meant that these two teams battled to the end in an enthralling encounter. The B.C.S girls played some great basketball offensively and defensively. They got some great inspirational scores, so they managed to win by the tightest of margins with a final score of 33 – 32. Credit has to go to both teams, for the way the game was played in such a sporting manner. While the B.C.S girls were jubilant in victory St. Marys were gracious in defeat. The girls now go forward to the Munster series.

Meadhbh Barry



OPEN NIGHT SPEECH 2017

Open Night Speech - October 2017

Good Evening Everyone,

My name is **David Buckley**. I am currently a Leaving Cert student here in Ballincollig Community School, having started here as a first year back in 2012.

I also attended an open night just like this, with my family here at BCS. Believe it or not it was the one and only open night I attended because the moment I walked through the doors that night, six years ago, I knew it was the school I wanted to go to for my secondary school education.

Why did I pick this school?

I was very impressed by the modern building, the up to date facilities, the advanced science labs, the large canteen and the fact I could attempt every subject in first year.

On that evening, at 12 years of age, as I walked around the school into the different departments, I was certainly impressed.

I feel I have reaped the benefits of having studied all nineteen subjects in first year, and from time to time I even see my Mother using the recipes from Home Economics booklet given to us by Ms Murphy in first year.

That year I learned I had a flair for woodwork and I am now studying Construction Studies for my Leaving Cert.

I was very happy with my Junior Cert results, and I took to Transition Year like a duck to water. I thoroughly enjoyed the year from start to finish and I can honestly say I made the most of it.

• I got to set up the first ever school bank, in conjunction with AIB and saw first hand how a real bank works.

• I organised the manufacturing of Student ID cards for the entire student population.

• I also got to do my work experience in a day care centre for the elderly and I am now considering a possible career in the health care profession.

• But the highlight of my Transition Year was most definitely my first ever Ski trip to Pinzolo in Italy which was organized, by my Year Head - Thank You Inion Uí Mhurchú .

I am currently studying eight subjects for my Leaving Cert and I feel at this stage that the support and enthusiasm of the teachers has been inspirational.

I know that the main focus of a school has to be academic, but in my time here, what goes on outside the classroom has been equally as important. There is a lot to be said for trying out as many activities as you can, from all the different types of sports to musicals to chess club. The list of these extra curricular activities is endless here in BCS. I believe they are indicative of the schools commitment to the students.

Finally I cannot say enough about the friends I have made since I started here. They are genuinely friends for life and I so cherish their loyalty and friendship.

To finish I hope this has given some kind of flavour as to what BCS has to offer from someone who has nearly been through the system.

I hope that you all enjoy the rest of your evening.

Thank you for listening.

David Buckley

SIXTH YEARS

2018



AHERN, KIRSTIE



BARRY, MEADHBH



BOYD, BRIAN



BOYLE, OISÍN



BRENNAN, DAVID



BUCKLEY, CILLIAN



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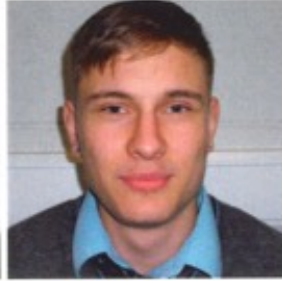
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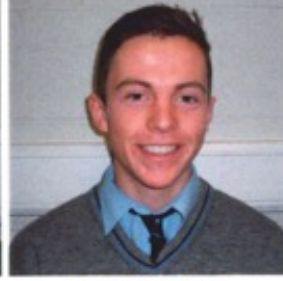
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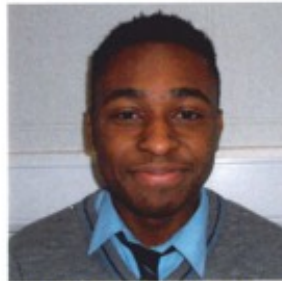
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O CALLAGHAN, AVA



O CALLAGHAN, BILLY



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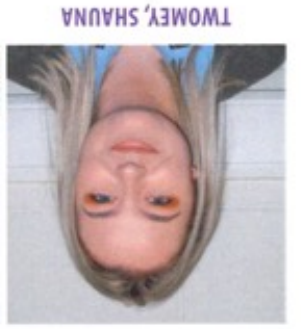
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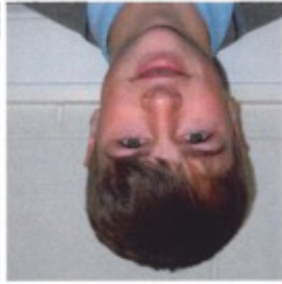
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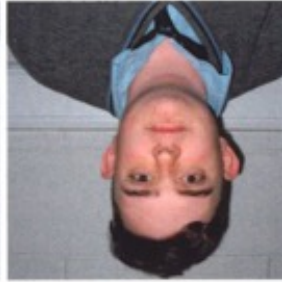
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OUR SPORTING HEROES

Amy O'Brien



Amy O'Brien: Gymnastics

Amy O'Brien travelled to Paris on the 13th of October 2016 with her gymnastics club, Douglas Gymnastics Club.

Amy started gymnastics 12 years ago and with all the training she has won All Ireland titles, and also was on the national tumbling squad for two years in a row.

Amy travelled to Paris in 2016 with her team to represent Ireland and it was an amazing experience. She trained hard all year but especially the few weeks leading up to the competition to make sure she did her best. Her team had to do lots of fundraising to help pay for the trip. She travelled with 15 other girls and competed against teams from all over the world.

She competed in 3 different categories and her team came 3rd in two of them so they were delighted with the result as all their hard work paid off in the end!

Olivia O'Driscoll.

Ben O'Donoghue

Ben O'Donoghue: Karate

Another student in our year group, Ben O'Donoghue, has proudly represented Ireland in his sport of Karate. He was a member of the Irish Junior Team that participated in the SKIF World Championships in 2016, which took place in Jakarta, Indonesia. Ben ended up in 6th place in the world in Kata (karate patterns), which was a huge accomplishment. Since then, he was also a member of the Irish Senior Team that attended the European Championships in 2017 in Hradec Králové, Czech Republic. Unfortunately, he didn't get any medals in that competition. Regardless of that, it has only motivated him more as he is now training at the moment to make the Irish Senior Team, for the World Championships in 2019.

Caoimhe Mc Grath



Kosin Mc Carthy

We wish Sarah the best of luck in the years of training and competitions in the future and there is no doubt in our minds that Sarah will do us proud!

“Although freestyle disco dancing involves a lot of expensive costumes, tan, big hair and dramatic make up at the end of the day the hard work pays off as it makes me feel fit, I’ve made friends for life and it teaches you to be so much more confident in yourself”

dance and it shows us with a bit of hard work anything is possible; placed in the top 3 finalists. Sarah works intensely hard when it comes to with her new dance school. There, Sarah qualified in the grand final and was recently been to Glasgow to compete in the Barrowlands Championship. Sarah has been all over Ireland and even the UK for competitions. Sarah has for the past eleven years and started competing in competitions 8 years ago. would be mentioned each and every year, was Sarah. Sarah has been dancing

Another shining feature of our time here in BCS was the success of Sarah O’Callaghan. Throughout the years of assembly we as a year group have wished many people good luck in all sporting aspects but the person that

Sarah O’Callaghan: Dance

Sarah O’Callaghan

Jason Hogan

of my soccer career to date is, being capped for my National Team. I think it must be every soccer players dream and mine has come true. against Wales in 2 matches, both of which we won. It was a fantastic feeling to stand and face the Irish flag and sing along with the National Anthem. The highlight in the tournament. I was top goal scorer of the tournament. I was then picked to play for Ireland’s home based U18’s team and travelled with the Irish team to play their number 9. I was then picked for the Munster team and played in an interprovincial tournament in Dublin. Munster was piped at the post and we came 2nd. Personally, it was a great year for me. I was asked to go for trials for the Cork team and was successful in becoming

club. We had a decent year as a team, finishing 4th in the premier league.

Unfortunately, our coach retired at the end of that season and I did not know what team to play with. At the same time Lakewood soccer clubs upcoming U18’s team folded. There were a lot of 17 year olds in Ballincollig, with no team to play with. My friends and I got together and persuaded my Dad to manage a team for Ballincollig soccer

league.

By the time I was playing for Blarney U17’s I was considered a very good player – I was very fast and I was able to control the ball. I became their number one striker. We won the league that year and I got Player of the Year. I also got top goal scorer in the league.

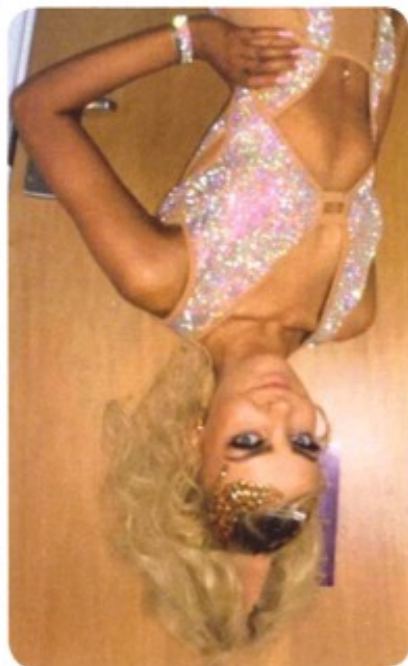
too long I was in the starting 11 and I began to improve more and more.

very hard and worked hard on the pitch. I never gave up, and I practiced whenever and where ever I could. Before soccer. I sat on the bench a lot that year. The following year I decided to try my luck with Blarney U 13’s. I trained U12’s but this was more competitive than the Academy and my coaches did not feel that I was very good at I started my soccer career at the age of 5 when I joined Ballincollig Soccer Academy. I loved playing soccer and I won the FAI Cup and the League of Ireland. So, it was no surprise that soccer was to become a big part of my life.

for Ireland. My cousin Alan Bennett, played soccer in England and is now Captain of the Cork City team that just many of my cousins all played for Ballincollig Soccer Club. Two of my uncles and one of my cousins were capped I come from a big soccer family. My granddad was President of Ballincollig Soccer Club. My dad and my uncles and

Jason Hogan: Soccer

Jason Hogan



Jason Hogan (bottom right) and the Cork Youths team 2016/ 2017



Jason Hogan (bottom left) Irish U18 team against Wales Feb 2017



Jason Hogan (top left) and the Munster Youths team 2016 / 2017



TEACHER QUOTES

Iníon Uí Mhurchú

- 'Rinne siad rollies'
- 'Okey Dokey'
- 'Id love to be a sheep'
- 'Bí, teigh, feic, faigh, abair, dean'
- 'Folks Folks'
- 'Ahahaha we'll get wet bum syndrome'
- 'MY BABIES'
- 'LAAAAAAAAAADS'
- 'Dead turtles come to mind lads?'
- 'Can I go to the toilet miss?' I dont know I hope you can!!
- 'Listen now lads ye have to sell yereselfs to the examiner and I don't mean prostitution'
- 'Lets be careful out there'

Ms Healy

- 'Lovely jubbly'
- 'EV-RY SY-LA-BLE GETS A NOTE!'
- 'Bach to the top'
- 'What? Tell me, what, huh?'
- 'Alright laaaads'

Mr O Connell

- 'Who wants a chubba chup?'

Mr Griffin

- 'Down in Clon there now like'
- 'Get units 5,6 and 7 in the bag and yere sorted'
- 'My home towns Clon did ye know that?'
- 'I used to work in a bank before i became a teacher did ye know that?'
- 'Cement Roadstone Holdings DO NOT FORGET IT'
- 'DARREN'
- 'Ju know im from Clonakilty'

Ms Murphy

- 'Hoooooold yere horses!!'

Ms Hannafin

- 'Im not that old like' (every class)

Ms O Brien

- 'Come on will yeeeeee'
- 'Extra maths is at 8:15 lads BE THERE NO EXCUSES IF YOU HAVE NO LIFT GET A TAXI, SIMPLE AS'

Ms Cronin

- 'Do ye know that ya? God please tell me ye do, thanks be to god'
- 'Kamilis, Tyronis, Geurchomis, Nicholas'
- 'I know someone who... , i know this person who... ' (every class)
- Miss, you know the whole of Ireland do you?
- Pretty much ya
- 'Helloooooo boys and girls'

Ms Owens

- '100 TIMES'
- 'Shyane put the water AWAYYYYYYYY'
- 'Just learn the bloody thing would you!!'
- 'CHEZ NOUS CIARA CHEZ NOUS'
- 'Yere my favourite class, I can't stop talking about ye, I love my 6th years.
- 'Anyone have any unusual questions, Dean perhaps?'
- 'CMON ALLER ALLER ALLER'



STUDENT QUOTES

"I was at a match"
Jason Hogan

"Grape girl"
Aishling O'Donovan

"O!!!! youuu"
(Olive) Olivia O Driscoll

"I got 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8 m's in my bank account"
first year class

"I just love playing with my...leg"
Jack Nyhan

"Is Korea in Russia?"
Clodhna O'Brien

"Gwan d biyys"
(Crotts) Ciara Crotty

"Miss you're a fruit scone, always a bit of variety"
Kelley Smyth

"Schmeeh"
1A

"Jerome will""Jerome does"
Ms Quigley's English class

"Here bai"
Sarah O Callaghan

"Irish actually would be so much easier without the fadas"
Alice Farrell

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