



Message from the Principal

I would like to extend my thanks to all our teachers and staff for a superb academic year. We have had a wonderful range of achievements across academics, sports, and extra-curricular activities. Our annual school musical proved to be, as always, a massive success and a highlight of the school calendar.

Our new hockey pitch is almost complete and looks fabulous. It will provide so many opportunities for the girls to train and compete in hockey from our own grounds. We are so excited about inaugurating the pitch in advance of commencing the new hockey season in Rosemont School!

Class of 2022; we wish each one of you every success in your next life adventure.

Janet Dean
Principal



Academic Excellence

English Department

Last summer, I was lucky enough to be shortlisted for the Edna O'Brien Young Writer's Bursary. I took part in a writing masterclass with the fabulous YA author Sarah-Maria Griffin and connected with 14 other young writers, that I'm still in touch with! I feel very grateful and lucky to have been able to take part in that experience!

Ella M, TY



1st year Literary Tour

1st Year recently went on a Literary Tour around Dublin. We visited WB Yeats' birthplace and statue in Sandymount, along with Seamus Heaney's statue. After that was Raglan Road where Patrick Kavanagh got his inspiration for his famous poem "Raglan Road". Our next stop was Merrion Square Park where we visited the statue of Oscar Wilde. From there, we walked to Trinity

College where we took a quick break after walking around the large campus.

We then hopped back on the bus and went to St. Patrick's Park for a lunch break with the pigeons. Some of the girls went to the playground and had a blast! Once everyone had eaten and rested up, we split off in half, one half went to St. Patrick's Cathedral and the other half went to Marsh's Library and once we were done, we swapped places. In St. Patrick's Cathedral, the groups were able to admire the incredible architecture of the building and were able to learn lots of new facts about the Cathedral. In Marsh's Library, the groups received a fascinating tour

from the lovely staff. We learned about all the different books there and different fun facts about the library! Unfortunately, our tour came to an end before we knew it. Thank you to Ms. Kelly and Ms. Mahon and the TYs for helping to supervise the First Years and to everyone who made this magnificent tour possible!

Thea S, 1st Year



"I didn't like English before I came to Rosemont - now I love it!"

"Poetry has helped me to think deeply and to see things in a different light."

Geography

Well done to all students in Geography this year. Every year group has excelled this year. 1st years made fantastic posters last term on how people use rivers. 3rd years made great posters on how coffee is made. TY did excellent book reports on Prisoners of Geography, by Tim Marshall. 5th Years went on a mini river study investigation and carried out experiments in Fernhill.

6th years have finished their course and are working so hard on revising for their Leaving Certificate. Well done on another fabulous year. Have a great summer

everyone. Best wishes Ms Doyle, Ms Lyons, and Ms Kelly.

5th year Geography mini river field study

On May 11th, a sunny Wednesday, the 5th year Geography students and Ms



Doyle conducted a mini-field study. The objective of the study was to examine a river cross-section. To do this we needed a meter stick and a measuring tape. With this equipment we were able to measure the width and the depth of the water of the river in Fernhill. We used the data from this experiment to determine whether vertical erosion occurs at this location. The 5th years concluded from their findings that vertical erosion does occur here and that it has created a mini V-shaped valley. Next year we hope to conduct a more in-depth field study. This was just a taster.

Wareesha A, 5th yr.

STEM – Science Department

TY Science 2022

The TYs have been extremely busy throughout the year, particularly in Science! In our three science classes - Biology, Chemistry, and Physics - we have fuelled our passion for the world of science through collaboration, demonstrations, and investigations. We discovered that science revolves around curiosity, and that asking questions about our surroundings plays a monumental role in generating solutions for the great mysteries of our universe.

In Biology, we learned about the five kingdoms of life and the similarities they often share in terms of their growth and the way they function. We discussed genetics, and how certain traits are inherited, and showed our creativity by making 3D models of DNA structures! We also had a great time planting Silver Birch and Scots Pine trees behind our school.

In Chemistry, we were in our element when we learned about Marie Curie, who continues to be a shining star for women in science, long after her demise. We learned all about radioactivity and the three main types of radiation and their uses today. We enjoyed learning about the vital contribution of Chemistry to the development and growth of several industries. Periodically, we would explore some of the elements of the periodic table and what products they are used in.

Finally, in our Physics classes, we studied the various forms of energy, with a particular emphasis on nuclear energy. We analysed the difference between nuclear fission and nuclear fusion and considered the wide-ranging impacts of both. We touched on refraction, and how the cornea, in the human eye works to refract light onto the retina. The image is then sent to the brain. Without refraction, we wouldn't be able to see! Additionally, we were taught about static electricity and got a buzz out of lighting bulbs and buzzing buzzers and rubbing pens on our jumpers and watching pieces of paper stick to them!

All in all, TY Science has undoubtedly fed our fervor for science and has opened our eyes to the ever-expanding role of science in our day-to-day lives. We were provided with a valuable insight into to several prospective careers involving

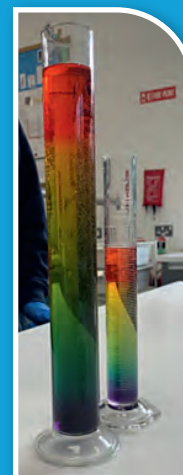
the sciences, and now have a strong base and interest for each subject, should we wish to continue with any in fifth year. Indisputably, a great year!

Nabeeha M, TY

A moment of science please!

"The important thing is to never stop questioning."

Albert Einstein





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In Transition Year we completed many fun activities in Chemistry, Physics/Applied Maths, and Biology class!

During Chemistry/Biology class all the Transition Year students got to plant trees, which were: Scots Pines and Silver Birch, on school grounds. In addition to this, we learned a lot about the trees that were planted. It was an overall enjoyable experience.

In Physics class both Transition Year Oak and Elm got to experience how the Van de Graaff generator works and how Static Electricity is produced. Static Electricity is produced by friction between two insulating objects! We got to witness the cake tins on the Van de Graaff experiment and how the cake tins repel off of the Van de Graaff dome.

In Transition Year Applied Maths we learned about Vectors and Scalars and the Parallelogram theorem! In doing so, we were able to construct diagrams of Vectors. We also learned how to find the magnitude and direction of the Vector using Pythagoras!

Yashfa S, TY

Congratulations to all year groups for your hard work and diligence throughout the year. Third and sixth years it will be so worth it. On behalf of the science department, I would like to praise the Transition Year group of 2021/2022 for their endless excellence and enthusiasm. Class Elm and Oak were a pleasure to teach and showed amazing curiosity and creativity across all the science disciplines. As teachers, it was our job to immerse the students in material beyond the Junior Cycle syllabus, be that through competitions, workshops, university-style modules, or promoting the Leaving Certificate subjects. But without the captivating passion of this group, achieving the above would have been more difficult. As W.B. Yeats once said, "Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire". We would like to wish the group a wonderful summer, and that they will return in 5th year excited for their new journey, ready to keep their fire burning.

Mr Fitzpatrick

"Nothing has such power to broaden the mind as the ability to investigate systematically and truly all that comes under thy observation in life."

Marcus Aurelius

Greetings from Rosemont's Modern Foreign Languages Department!

An Ghaeilge An Club Díospóireachta

Bhí an club díspóireachta an-ghnóthach i rith na bliana. Bhuaileamar le chéile gach seachtain ag am lóin chun cúrsaí reatha a phlé agus feabhas a chur ar ár nGaeilge labhartha. Ba sheans iontach é chun bualadh le cairde nua agus argóintí a ullmhú ar rúin difriúla.

Ghlacamar páirt i gComórtas an Phiarsaigh eagraithe ag Gael Linn. Bhí dhá fhoireann ón scoil ann-sóisearach agus sinsearach. Bhí rúin spésiúla le plé againn – na meáin shóisialta, scoileanna aon-ghnéis, an tábhacht a bhaineann le obair bhaile i saol an dalta scoile. Bhí seans againn ár dtaithí féin a phlé. Bhíomar an-bhródúil an Craobh Réigiúnach a bhaint amach.

Ba thaithí iontach é agus d'fhoghlaimíomar a lán scileanna nua cosúil le obair ghrúpa, scileanna taighde agus scileanna cumarsáide chomh maith. Beidh an club ar oscailt do bhaill nua an bhliain seo chugainn.

Fáilte roimh chách!

Le Nabeeha agus Ella

Rang na hIdirbhliana.





Ghlac Martha, Kate agus Charlie (Bliain 3) páirt i gcomórtas díospóireachta Gael Linn ar an 17 lá de Shamhain in Áras Chrónáin i gCluain Dolcáin. Rinne said obair dhian agus bhí argóintí láidire acu. Maith sibh, a chailíní.

Tá na múinteoirí i Roinn na Gaeilge an-bhródúil as an obair dhian ata déanta ag na daltaí ar fad sa scoil i mbliana. D'éirigh go breá leis na daltaí i mbliain a haon. Chuaigh said siar ar obair na bunscoile agus tá go leor rudaí nua foghlamtha acu chomh maith. Tá bliain a dó ag déanamh obair iontach ar an gcúrsa fada don tSraith Shóisearach. Rinne bliain a trí obair sár-mhaith ar na CBAnna ag tús na bliana. Roghnaigh said ábhair an-spéisiúla agus bhí caighdeán cumarsáide an -ard le feiceáil. Tá go leor litríochta déanta ag na ranganna. Guimid gach rath oraibh sna scrúduithe. Bhí rang na hidirbhliana an-ghnóthach agus chuireamar béim ar an teanga labhartha sna ranganna. Bhain said taitneamh as an gceardlann spéisiúil le Conradh na Gaeilge. D'éirigh thar barr le bliain a cúig i rith na bliana. Tá an-chuid den chúrsa cludaithe agus Gaeilge líofa le cloisteáil sa rang.

Tá na béalscrúduithe thart. Tá bliain a sé réidh do scrúdú na hArdteiste anois. Tá súil againn go mbeidh ceisteanna oiriúnacha ar an bpaipéar. Go n-eirí libh!

Labhair cúpla focal gach lá sa bhaile agus le bhur gcairde!

Bíodh samhradh iontach agaibh go léir! Beatha teanga í a labhairt.

B. Ni Bhrógáin, R. Ni Mhathúna, L. Ni Chóileáin
Roinn na Gaeilge

History

On the 17th of May, the TY and 5th year girls had the best day in Belfast. We got the train from Connolly Station to Belfast and walked to our first stop, Crumlin Road Gaol. The tour was fascinating, and we all thoroughly enjoyed it. We then moved onto a Black Cab tour of the murals in Belfast. We made stops on Shankill Road and the Falls Road and our tour guides explained the stories behind each stop. At 15:30 we were dropped back to the train station and got a train home at 16:00. It was an enlightening experience, and we all had the best day.

Nicole O'B, 5th yr



"History in Rosemont is like the oasis in the desert of school days" 6th year History Class

Business Department

"Success in business requires training, discipline and hard work" and there was certainly a lot of that this year across the business subjects.

From sessions with local entrepreneurs and financial literacy webinars with Bank of Ireland to the annual Christmas market, Enterprise week, TY mini companies and the Money Smarts Challenge, it has been a productive year and that's not mentioning all the hard work done in class by all the Business Studies, Business & Accounting Students. Well done to all and wishing everyone, especially the 3rd and 6th years every success in their exams.

Ms Delaney



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Money Smarts Challenge

The 2nd years and TY students participated in an online financial wellbeing seminar with Bank of Ireland which had great tips on how to be good with your money. Some of the guests included Anna Geary, Aimee Connolly and Rob Heffernan who spoke about how to be good with money as well as how to spend and save. The seminar was incredibly insightful and prepared us well for the quiz that followed. 12 students across 3rd year, TY and 5th year then took part in the quiz. There were 2 teams and the quiz lasted about 30 minutes. The questions started easy

and gradually became more difficult. The topics ranged from interest, savings, and insurance. Overall, the quiz was a very beneficial experience and helped us to garner new business knowledge. *Isobel G & Ella O L, TY*

Student Enterprise Awards

This year the TY Business class set up and ran mini companies. The products ranged from candles and jewelry to slime and care boxes. We sold our products in school and at the Christmas market. Each company was very successful in making a profit. We also presented our business ideas to a member of the local enterprise office. We then compiled our business plans with our finances for The Student Enterprise Awards Competition. Our business, called Celeb Slimes, was put forward by the school to take part in the competition. We created celebrity themed slimes with different colours and scents. Having submitted our



report and presentation we came first in the senior category for the county final! We were so delighted with this news. Unfortunately, we didn't get through to the national finals, but we have really enjoyed this experience and gained some valuable skills.

Nicola M, Katie N, Holly F, TY



Art

Senior Art Trip

Thursday 9th December 2021 was the day for our Senior Art Students Gallery Trip. All of us headed off into town on the Luas and travelled all the way to The Hugh Lane Gallery on Parnell Square. The Hugh Lane has an exceptional history centred around the ground-breaking vision of Sir Hugh Lane himself.



We had recently studied The Impressionist movement, so we were particularly keen to view the two Claude Monet paintings on view. We had a tour guide booked so at 11.15 we met our guide and off we went. The Hugh Lane features many great Irish artists and our guide brought us to view the large-scale Sean Scully paintings. Large bands of colour, layers of paint and simple forms are the key features of Scully's work. The girls were hugely impressed with this abstract artist. His paintings are based on childhood memories and working as a young man on the building sites in London.

The Gallery also boasts a collection of 6 unfinished paintings by Francis Bacon and his studio which was brought over from London piece by piece. His studio was an absolute mess however he claimed that it helped him paint and kept his mind busy. His work is world known and is found in the best Public Collections.

Next our guide brought us to the European section where Edgar Degas, Berthe Morisot and Claude Monet are all on

view. We were delighted to see Monet's work on the wall as we had studied his style, techniques, subject matter, and brushstrokes all of which are key features of the Impressionist movement. Our guide gave us a great insight into his techniques and composition. This really helped our overall understanding of this movement.

After the Hugh Lane Gallery we stopped for some lunch and then made our way to the National Gallery of Ireland for a whistle-stop tour of some key paintings. A day packed with visual culture!

Ms O'Connor

Music



The Rosemont music department has had an exciting year now that live performances are back on the table. We kick started the year with performances at the Rosemont Gala from music students of all ages. It was a sophisticated event with the perfect music to set the tone for a fun evening for all. The third and sixth years have just finished their music practical exams for their junior cycle and leaving certificates. And although the state examination race is not quite over,



we commend them for their practical performances and the effort that went into them. Throughout the year each music class did their own lunchtime concert with a combination of solo and group performances to showcase the talent of every student. We also were able to hold a carol service at Christmas time, with singing (in four-part harmony too!) and instrumental music for all the staff and students to enjoy. Of course, each music class has been working hard on their own



projects and course work. The second-year class completed compositions for their CBAs in Irish music, lullabies, and film scores, and the fifth years just finished studying Bohemian Rhapsody by Queen which was lots of fun. The music department had their final performance of the year at the 6th year graduations on the 20th of May and it was fantastic. We are so glad to be back this year and better than ever!

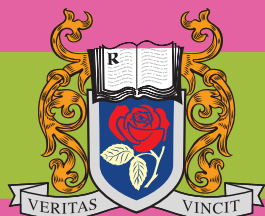
Rebecca J, 5th yr

Sports

Netball

We were all very excited that the Netball Ireland School's final would be taking place in Rosemont on Thursday March 31st. Rosemont was very lucky to qualify for 5 out of 6 finals, along with Drogheda Grammar School and Our Lady's Grove.





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Matches started at 9.30am with the first game of the day, the Junior B finals between Rosemont and Our Lady's Grove. The game was very close with a one point difference at the end of each quarter. The girls played incredibly well, and the final score was 12-11 to Rosemont. The next match was the 1st year B finals. The girls from Rosemont played so well but they lost it in the end with Drogheda winning by just 2 points. The final score was 8-6 to Drogheda. The minor A team were next to take the court and unfortunately missed out on the win by only 2 points to Our Lady's Grove. The final score was 9-7.

Next to take the court was the Junior A team. After losing to Drogheda, the week prior, the girls from Rosemont wanted the win that bit more. The game was fast paced with both teams leading at different points in the match, but at the final whistle

Rosemont took the win with a score of 28-20. We finished the day with the 1st year A match between Rosemont and Drogheda Grammar. Rosemont took an early lead in the second quarter and the final score was 14-9 to Rosemont. Hard luck to the Minor B team who unfortunately did not make it to the final but worked incredibly hard throughout the league.

On behalf of all the players we would like to thank our coaches Katie Smyth and Sofia Pennington for their comments and hard work throughout the year. We would also like to thank 5th years Nicole O'Brien and Sabastine Pennington for assisting us during training and matches.

Finally, we would like to thank Janet O'Brien and Lynette Wall as well as Sabastine Pennington for umpiring the matches. Overall, it was a great day and we all can't wait for next years league.

Carla O'B, 3rd Yr



Education for Life

Religion

What an amazing term this has been! The 3rd years prepared and taught the Virtue Programme to the kids in the Rosemont Preschool. A great

time was had preparing, delivering, and spending time with the children. One of the preschool teachers said: "The children ask every day if the 'big girls' are coming, we are looking forward to next year already!"

The 6th years went on the traditional final year retreat to Lismullin Conference Centre. They had a great time learning an African dance, reflecting on life after the Leaving Certificate, as well as enjoying lots of wonderful food and relaxation.



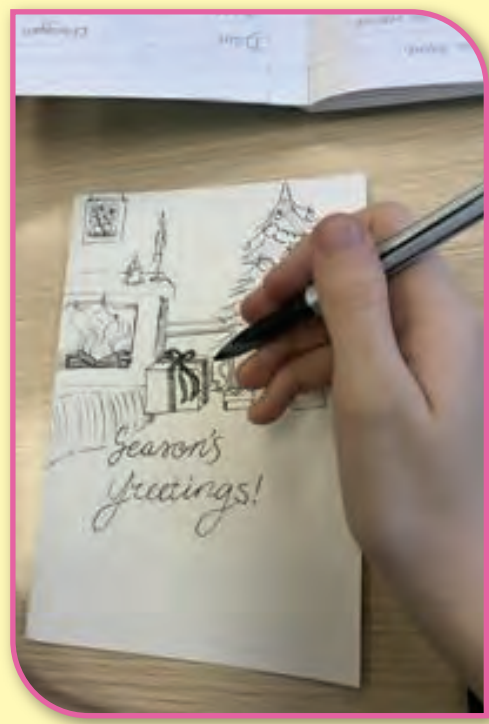
Ethos

In addition to the Junior Cycle CSPE fundraisers, there were several events in the academic year which facilitated our students and families to reach out and be of service to others both in our community and beyond.

The Student Council executed an excellent Shoe Box Appeal at Christmas. Sixth years, as part of Fun Day, collected much needed funds for the Laura Lynn foundation and first, second, and third year students once again reached out to alleviate loneliness and isolation by writing over 300 letters and cards as part of the "Spirit of Christmas" initiative for Dun Laoghaire Rathdown charity Making Connections. Rosemont

Families have also volunteered to visit those identified as isolated and lonely by Making Connections.

From February 24th, the Ukraine conflict came to the fore and all events and sums raised by the students were focused on this appeal. In addition, an Essential Supplies Collection for children and young people in the Ukraine was organised by TYs. Rosemont TY's came together with Gonzaga College SJ TY's to ensure a swift distribution of all essential items gathered between the two schools. The items were collected at Rosemont School and shipped to the Poland-Ukraine border by a Rosemont family who had organised the transportation of essential supplies and aid.





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TY

TY in Rosemont is a medley of activity covering academics, sports, the arts, and volunteering. All girls are encouraged to try everything and allow themselves to grow as individuals. The TY class of 2022 certainly did that. They embraced all their academic classes, Tuesday modules, trips, fun days and fundraising events with energy, enthusiasm, and humour.

Tour of Kilmainham Gaol

TYs had the opportunity to do a tour of Kilmainham Gaol. We were all well acquainted with the role this historic building played in imprisoning and executing fourteen of the leaders of the 1916 Rising but were astounded to discover there was more to the jail's extensive history and grim past.

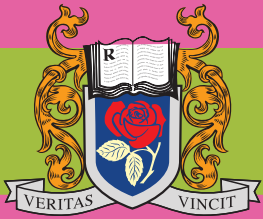
After a walk in Bully's Acre, we began the tour with a visit to the chapel where Grace Gifford and Joseph Plunkett were married, the inspiration behind the beloved ballad, 'Grace'. Subsequently, we saw the dismal cells where Irish political prisoners were detained, including Countess Constance Markievicz, Charles Stewart Parnell, and Éamonn de Valera. The cold and miserable atmosphere gave us significant and accurate insight into what it would have been like to be confined in one of these strongholds of punishment!

We learned about the overcrowding that happened in the Gaol during the nineteenth century due to the Great Famine and heard stories of ordinary people of the past and their experiences in the Gaol. We roamed the West Wing (film place of Paddington 2!) before finishing the tour at the Stonebreaker's Yard outside.

All in all, the tour was fascinating and painted clear pictures of the profound struggles and inspirational events that shaped the history of our country.

Nabeeha M, TY





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Green Schools

Green schools is an international environmental education programme offering a controllable way for schools to take environmental issues and apply them to the day-to-day running of their school. Students in Rosemont are fully committed to saving our planet.

We are hoping to continue our green streak so for the next academic year, we



will be targeting our next green flag. We are drawing up maps of where the bins should go in order to be most accessible for students while also labelling the bins clearly so we can all understand what must go in each bin. Although, priority is zero waste!

Big plans are in place for Green Schools next year!

Clodagh B, 5th yr

Coaching

Our Coaching Programme is the space where each student is encouraged and enabled to take ownership of their own learning and to set realistic and attainable goals which help them grow in all aspects of their life. This term, it was great to see the girls engage with their coaches as they worked towards flourishing and becoming the best version of themselves.

The Wellbeing Programme is a key component of our Coaching Programme. The three virtues we focused on this

academic year were Responsibility, Gratitude, and Respect. As we work in partnership with our parents, our Building Leadership talks were also centred around these virtues. Some of the topics we covered this year were: Supporting Responsible Teens, Personal/Family Responsibility, Healthy Boundaries, Gratitude Bracelets and Parenting without losing your mind!

Ms Reisz

Development



We are so excited to share the development of the Hockey Pitch and to thank so many of our Rosemont parents for their support of the Rosemont Gala and Sports Fund! With your help the Rosemont Sports Fund raised over €25,000 which has helped us progress towards our goal of giving your daughters more and better sports opportunities!

To date, we have used funds raised to purchase hockey dugouts, goalie kits, kits for hockey, netball, and basketball, and refurbished the basketball and netball floor.

We are so grateful for our partnership with Rosemont parents and that your generosity makes all this progress possible!



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Parents' Association

Many thanks to the Parents' Association for organising a uniform and book sale. €612 was raised which will go towards supplies for the science lab. Thank you to everyone who donated.

The Rosemont Parents' Association is helping parents reduce costs while working towards a greener environment.
#zerowaste





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Note from The Head & Deputy Head Girls



Dear all,

As the 2021/22 academic year comes to an end we wonder, where did all the time go? This year we said goodbye to masks and hello to smiling faces. It's so nice to see everything go back to the way it was before Covid and see the student body thrive in unison. The production of our musical 'Annie's opportunity' was a highlight. Seeing everyone come together in front of a live audience reminded us to not take this unity for granted. This year has kept us busy with trips and activities. With the Gaisce hike, the TY Carlingford trip, the 1st year literary tour and the Belfast trip there has been constant excitement

throughout the halls. School spirits have never been higher than during 6th years vs teachers' ultimate tennis match. The courts were surrounded by posters and cheering spectators. As deputy and head girl, being the referees, we got a close-up view of the match. Thankfully no red cards were handed out! Thank you to Ms Dean, Ms Boothman and all the teachers and staff for a great year. We are now sending our 6th years off with our best wishes and wishing them the best of luck. Best of luck also to all those sitting their junior cycle.

We are looking forward to seeing you all in September.

Have a fun and restful summer.

Réana (Head Girl) and Jean (Deputy Head Girl)