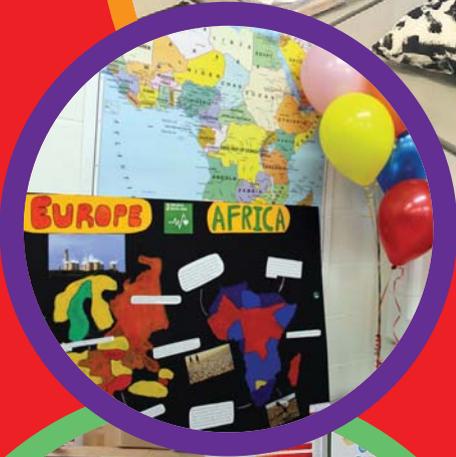




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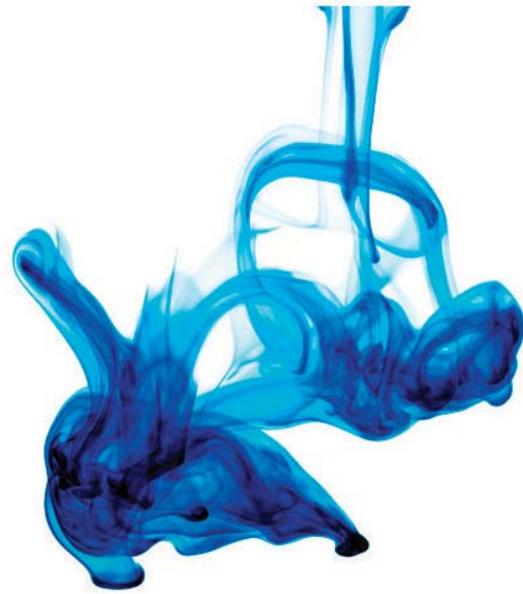


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A MESSAGE FROM THE **PRINCIPAL**



It was with excitement that I accepted the position of Principal in January 2020 but at no time did I expect the remainder of the year to turn out the way it did. COVID-19 has completely changed the way we now interact and has had such an impact on the school environment and beyond.

The brunt of the pandemic has been felt so much by the students at this school and by extension, the family and staff who have tried to support them. I would like to thank every parent/guardian, staff member and student for the way in which they dealt with the exceptional circumstances.

The future of education has now changed, and the school community will work together to ensure that the health and safety of each member of the community is maintained in the best possible way but this will require compromise and patience as we work our way through the year ahead.

This is such an exciting school to work in as witnessed through such a fantastic spirit among the staff and students alike. Success on and off the field is very much part of the culture in Woodbrook College and one of the reasons I wanted to work here.

I look forward to the year ahead and wish you all health and happiness.

MR. HURLEY
PRINCIPAL



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A WORD FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

A strange year in the history of education where new 'ways' of educating and teaching have been well and truly tried and tested. As I write this we are still uncertain as to what the 2020-21 school year will look like. My wish is that everybody can return to school in full health and that we can have as normal a school year as possible. However, as I'm sure you are all aware this will require a lot of cooperation from all the stakeholders in our school.

I would like to thank all the teachers for all the work they put in this year both inside and outside the classroom. I know from talking to and observing, that the students really do appreciate and are thankful for all your efforts.

I want to say well done to all those students who have represented the school with great distinction and pride this year. Although the year was cut short we had an outstanding performance from our All-Ireland PE Expo winning team of Michelle Dolores, Abhirami Santhoshkumar and Ruby Roche. Well done to the girls and their teacher Ms. Sinnott.

There was also success on the soccer pitch for the U19 team ably coached by Mr. Meyler who won the

Wicklow/Wexford competition. There were many other sporting successes notably in Basketball, Badminton, Gaelic Football and Spikeball but unfortunately, we will never know the outcome of their efforts. Hopefully, you will all get a chance to shine next year.

There were numerous non-sporting extracurricular activities organised by the hard-working teachers in Woodbrook such as Hobbies club, Debating club, Art club, Science Club and Drama club to mention a few. Again, a big 'thank you' to all those who gave up their time to the students and I look forward to more successes next year.

I would also like to thank the ancillary staff in the school for all the work they have done and continue to do.

Finally, I would like to welcome our new Principal Mr. Henry Hurley who started in January and has had a real baptism of fire over the last few months. I look forward to working closely with him and wish him every success in his new post.

PAUL MURPHY
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

STAFF MEMBERS 2019 – 2020

TEACHING

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Paul Murphy – Deputy Principal
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Maryline Muzi-Duffin
Grainne Coffey
Oisín O'Hannaidh
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John Taylor's Retirement



After many years of service in both St. Brendan's and Woodbrook College, Mr. Taylor retired in December 2019. Throughout his time in the school I think we can all agree that he worked extremely hard to create a caring, hard-working environment for both teachers and pupils.

A constant presence at school activities like the Fun Run, the Christmas Concert and Sports Day; not to mention all of the Friday nights that he dedicated to Bingo in the school.

Mr. Taylor we wish you all the luck in your retirement and thank you for everything you have done for our school community.



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Dean Douglas



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Dominik Bessler



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Jamie Seong



John O'Brien



Katie McCabe



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Kia Farrell



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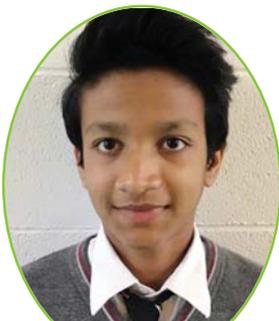
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Adam O'Toole



Adithya Santhoshkumar



Ayse Kelleci



Cillian McCormack



Cody Doyle



Cole Bateson



Darren Carroll



David Nervez



Ella Redmond



Ellen King Keane



Emma O'Reilly



Jason Stapleton



Kevin Lotca



Lexie Cummins



Michelle Dolores



Molly Owens



Niamh Tapley



Nicholas Petrov



Reece Gray



Robert Munro



Ruby Lou Roche



Ryan Joshy Francis

MARKIEVICZ



Samuel Oni



Saskia Cepillo

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

On Saturday March 7th, **Eve O'Brien** made her international debut for the Irish Schools U15's Girls' Football team against England. It is historic for Woodbrook College as she is the first girl in the school to represent her country's football team.

Unfortunately, the Republic of Ireland schools U15's girls' team lost 2-1 to visitors England at National Sports Campus in Abbotstown, Dublin. However, Eve performed very well and managed to play a starring role in the game by setting up the Irish equaliser with a free-kick after 16 minutes. The English team regained the lead after half-time and held out for a 2-1 win.

Well done to Eve on receiving her first cap at U15 level. The whole school community is proud of your outstanding achievement and we wish you all the best as you progress to even greater successes in your football career.



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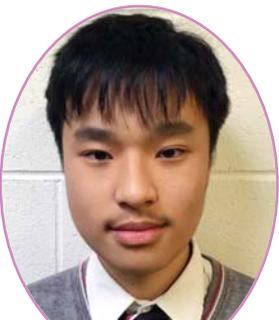
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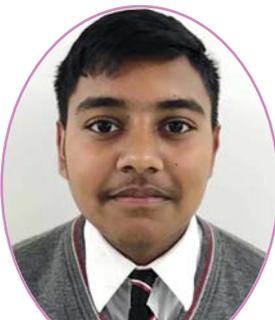
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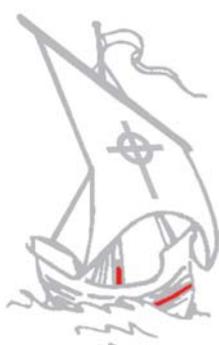
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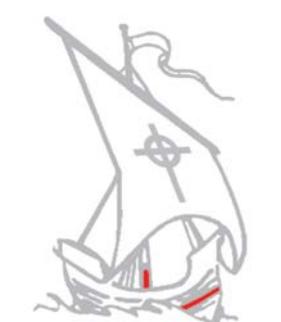
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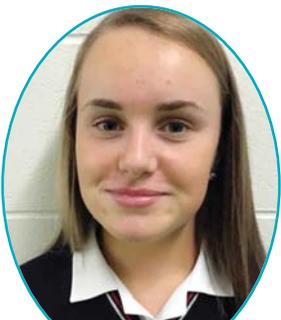
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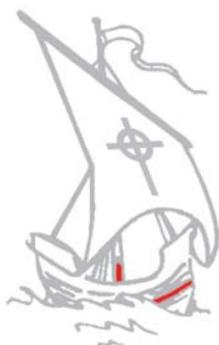
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Thomas Murphy



SIXTH YEAR PROFILES



AARON WHELEHAN

Nickname(s): Hillbilly and Zedo.
Where I will be in 10 years' time: Playing Pro for an Organisation or with my Degree in Software Development.
Greatest Achievement: Finishing School.
What will you miss most about school? My friends and having a laugh.
If you had to leave some advice for the pupils what would you say? Be yourself.



AMER BOULBASSIR

Nickname(s): Bee.
Hobbies: Football.
Where I will be in 10 years' time: Being a boss.
Most embarrassing moment: Ripping my trousers in the middle of PE.
If you had to leave some advice for the pupils what would you say? Keep it flakey.



ARCHIE FARRELL

My favourite memory: Killing the bee by flinging chairs and tables at it in Geography.
If you had to leave some advice for the pupils what would you say? Make good memories.



BRANDON KING

Nickname(s): Brando/Slim.
Hobbies: Football or any sport.
Where I will be in 10 years' time: In a carpool karaoke with James Corden.
Most embarrassing moment: Being caught on the hop with Billy and my excuse was that my dog had been run over!
If you had to leave some advice for the pupils what would you say? Do 4th year. My favourite memories are from 4th year.



CAOLAN FITZSIMONS

My favourite memory: The Easter egg hunt that the LCA class organised.
Hobbies: Reading, walking, playing computer games, listening to music.



CHARLIE MORE

Hobbies: Football, PS4, Netflix.
Fondest memory: Geography class.
Catchphrase: That's life.
Greatest achievement: Failing every Leaving Cert mock exam.
If you had to leave some advice for the pupils what would you say? Take it easy from 1st to 5th year.



CIARAN DOYLE

Hobbies: Swimming, surfing, reading.
Where I will be in 10 years' time: Working as a lifeguard.
Fondest memory: Making new friends.
What will you miss most about school? The teachers and the lads.
If you had to leave some advice for the pupils what would you say? Learn what you can because the next six years will fly by.



CONOR PAMUKCU

Nickname(s): Clancy is the only appropriate one.
My catchphrase: Ah sure look you may as well.
Greatest Achievement: Finishing School without sitting the Leaving Cert.
Most embarrassing moment: Has to be the incident in UCD.
If you had to leave some advice for the pupils what would you say? Don't mess with the vice!



CORY HAYES

Nickname(s): Chaze, granny back.
What will I be remembered for: Having a bad back.
Greatest Achievement: Winning an All-Ireland.
Most embarrassing moment: Tripping over the ball in a match with nobody around me.
If you had to leave some advice for the pupils what would you say? Don't skip 4th year.



SIXTH YEAR PROFILES



JAMIE DOYLE

Nickname(s): Jay.

Hobbies: Football, Xbox.

What I will be remembered for:

The partition wall.

Greatest Achievement:

Getting the Irish award in 5th year.

What will you miss most about school?

Seeing the lads.



JAMIE NELSON

Nickname(s): Big Red, Grande Rojo, Redzer.

What I will be remembered for:

Getting an unhealthy amount of concussions.

Where I will be in 10 years' time:

In L.A. living it up as a movie star. If you know you know.

Greatest achievement: Being part of the Wicklow Wexford winning team, even though my medal got robbed.

What will you miss most about school?

Laughing all day every day.



JOHN RAY VIVAS

Nickname(s): John Cena.

Hobbies: Playing basketball and video games.

What I will be remembered for:

Being quiet in class (practically being a Ninja).

Where I will be in 10 years' time: In a hospital somewhere in Ireland being a nurse.

Fondest memory: Being in Achill Island.



JORDAN WHYTE

Hobbies: Football and PS4.

What I will be remembered for:

Cracking my neck.

Greatest achievement: Winning the

Wicklow/Wexford League in 4th Year.

Fondest memory: Barcelona and Achill.

What will you miss most about school?

The craic.



JOSHUA CUSTORIO

Nickname(s):

Rice muncher, Ling Ling, Josh.

Hobbies: Playing games.

Where will I be in 10 years: Doctor.

Fondest memory: TY trips.

If you had to leave some advice for the pupils what would you say?

Enjoy school.



KONRAD BZDYRA

Nickname(s): KGB.

Hobbies: Gaming, Lego Building, Reading.

Where will I be in 10 years: A successful Veterinary Surgeon.

Most embarrassing moment:

2nd Year Geography Class.

If you had to leave some advice for the pupils what would you say? Always do your work as soon as you can so you have more time to enjoy yourself later on.



LEONARDO BOLDISOR

Hobbies: Football.

What I will be remembered for: Dublin Zoo.

Where I will be in 10 years' time:

I'll be the biggest nightclub owner and have my own brand of whiskey.

Greatest achievement: Being a good student in 1st year.

If you had to leave some advice for the pupils what would you say?

Study hard, play hard.



LESTER GREFALDEO

Hobbies: Sleeping, relaxing.

What I will be remembered for:

Being nice.

Where I will be in 10 years' time:

Sleeping in bed.

what will you miss most about school:

Socialising.

If you had to leave some advice for the pupils what would you say?

Enjoy the present.



LUKE O'NEILL

Hobbies: Football.

Where I will be in 10 years' time:

Accountant.

Fondest memory: Barcelona.



SIXTH YEAR PROFILES



LUKE ROCHE



Nickname(s): Aitch.
What will I be remembered for:
Being cheeky.
My catchphrase: Hang on until I do what you tell me..
Greatest achievement:
Not getting kicked out of school despite several warnings.
Fondest memory: Barcelona in TY.



PATRYK OSTAPCZUK



Nickname(s): Jesus, Papple.
Hobbies: Guitar, Games, Travelling.
What will I be remembered for:
Having long hair.
Where I will be in 10 years:
Playing music live.
If you had to leave some advice for the pupils what would you say?
Relax a little and make time for yourself.



SEANNE ORIEMO



Nickname(s): Si-gan, Shaun, Showny.
What will I be remembered for:
Transfer student in 5th year.
Most embarrassing moment: Using my phone during my first day.
Fondest memory: Explaining how to pronounce my name to teachers.
What will you miss most about the school?
Doing P.E. and experiments in Chemistry.



ADAM FARRELL



ALEXANDER HAYWARD HEALY



BEN KELLY



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SIXTH YEAR PROFILES



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**LUKE
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WEIR**



**MARCEL
KUCHARCZYK**



**MUNTASER
AL AKARI**



**ROBERT
SHORTALL**



IRISH KICKBOXING JUNIOR CHAMPION 2019



Jordan won the Irish National Junior Championship on September 27th, 2019 in Galway.

It was a lot of hard work and dedication but in the end, he achieved his goal and hopefully will go on to achieve more goals in the future.

Well done Jordan!



**SAM
BARSOUM**



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6TH YEAR

To our 6th years,

While this is not the usual send off after 6 years in St. Brendan's / Woodbrook College, here are some of your more memorable moments. It was unfortunate that this happened during your last few months in the school but you should be proud of the imprint that you have left on the school and the bright future that you have in front of you.

Well done to all of you for everything that you have achieved and worked for over the years and we wish you all so much luck for your future.



Graduation

A celebration...

A time for looking back on lessons learned, adventures shared, bright moments filled with special meaning.

A farewell...

A time for saying goodbye to old friends, to good times you've known... a time for packing away memories, treasures for tomorrow.

A beginning...

A time for looking forward, a time to set new goals, to dream new dreams, to try your wings and see what lies beyond.

6TH YEAR AWARDS

SUBJECT	ACADEMIC	MERIT	SUBJECT	ACADEMIC	MERIT
ACCOUNTING	Lester Grefaldeo	Jordan Whyte	IRISH	Eibhin Flanagan Jack Kinsella	Konrad Bzdyra Robert Shortall
ART	Luke McCormack	Luke Roche	LCVP	Eibhin Flanagan	Eduard Grefaldeo
BIOLOGY	Jordan Whyte Eduard Grefaldeo	Lester Grefaldeo Eibhin Flanagan	CONSTR. STUDIES	Ben Kelly	Jack Kinsella
BUSINESS	Eibhin Flanagan	Ben Kelly	MATHS	Patryk Ostapczuk Emil Roy Jamie Nelson	Konrad Bzdyra Luke McCormack Robert Shortall
CHEMISTRY	Konrad Bzdyra	Seanne Oriemo	PHYSICS	Eibhin Flanagan	Daniel Osoianu
ECONOMICS	Finn Richardson	Jack McDonald	RELIGION	Patryk Ostapczuk Eibhin Flanagan	Lester Grefaldeo Brandon King
ENGLISH	Patryk Ostapczuk Robert Shortall Daniel Osoianu	Lester Grefaldeo Alex Hayward Hayes Cory Hayes	DCG	Konrad Bzdyra	Eduard Grefaldeo
FRENCH	Amer Boulbassir	Charlie More	SUBJECT	BEST PERFORMANCE	MERIT
GEOGRAPHY	Ciaran Doyle	Archie Farrell	PHYSICAL ED.	Emil Roy Finn Richardson	Jamie Doonan Lester Grefaldeo
GERMAN	Eduard Grefaldeo	Patryk Ostapczuk	STUDENT OF THE YEAR	Eibhin Flanagan	
HISTORY	Evan Leahy	Jamie Doonan			



6TH YEAR Graduation

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Good
Luck!
And I wish
you the Best



GOOD
LUCK
6th Years



LC APPLIED AWARDS

SUBJECT	ACADEMIC	MERIT	SUBJECT	ACADEMIC	MERIT
ART	Ross Roche	Caolan Fitzsimons	MATHS	Ross Roche	Clayton Somers
CONSTRUCTION	Ross Roche	Clayton Somers	OFFICE ADMIN	Ross Roche	Caolan Fitzsimons
ENGLISH	Ross Roche	Sam Barsoum	PE	Sam Barsoum	Ross Roche
FRENCH	Ross Roche	Caolan Fitzsimons	RELIGION	Clayton Somers	Ross Roche
GUIDANCE	Ross Roche	Caolan Fitzsimons	SOCIAL ED.	Ross Roche	Clayton Somers
ICT	Sam Barsoum	Adam Farrell			





FIRST YEAR PROFILES

AISLING TAPLEY



Hobbies: Dancing and being with friends.
Favourite film/TV show: Stranger Things/Gossip girl.
My favourite subject: English.
What I want to be when I grow up: Help animals.
Best memory from 1st year: Summer Camp and meeting new friends.

AOIBHEANN KING



Hobbies: Baton twirling.
Favourite film/TV show: Stranger Things
My favourite subject: Home Ec.
What I want to be when I grow up: Baton twirling coach.
Best memory from 1st year: Talent show.

BEN KAVANAGH



Hobbies: Sports.
Person I admire: My brother Paddy.
My favourite subject(s): Art and Woodwork.
What I want to be when I grow up: An architect.
Best memory from 1st year: First day of rugby.

CALLUM O'CONNOR



Hobbies: Football and pier jumping.
Favourite film/TV show: Peaky Blinders.
My favourite subject: Art.
The person I admire the most: My dad.
What I want to be when I grow up: A footballer.

CAMERON SINNOTT



Hobbies: Football.
Favourite film/TV show: Top Boy.
The person I admire most: Ronaldo.
My favourite subject: Woodwork.
Best memory from 1st year: Football matches.

CHARLEY WALSH



Hobbies: Basketball.
The person I admire most: My mam.
My favourite subject: Woodwork.
What I want to be when I grow up: A hairdresser.
Best memory from 1st year: Making stuff in woodwork.

DAMIAN KOSMULSKI



Hobbies: Gaming, Basketball.
The person I admire most: Mr. Greene.
My favourite subject: Technical graphics.
What I want to be when I grow up: I want to be well paid from a job that puts my talents to use.
Best memory from 1st year: I really enjoyed the TG class where we drew Shrek.

DARRAGH KING KEANE



Hobbies: Rubik's cubes, card tricks, football, basketball and going on my PS4.
The person I admire most: My dad.
My favourite subject: Woodwork.
What I want to be when I grow up: A paediatrician.
Best memory from 1st year: Winning the GAA Blitz in Bray Emmetts.

EVA FOX



Hobbies: Dancing, cooking.
The person I admire most: My sister.
My favourite subject: Woodwork.
What I want to be when I grow up: Hairdresser.
Best memory from 1st year: Girls GAA.

JAKE LEONARD



Hobbies: Videogames, Reading, Scouts.
The person I admire most: Stephen Hawking.
My favourite subject: Science.
What I want to be when I grow up: Forensic Scientist.
Best memory from 1st year: Walking through the cursed hallway.

JAMIE PERRY



Hobbies: football.
The person I admire most: Steven Gerrard.
My favourite subject: Maths.
What I want to be when I grow up: Mechanic.
Best memory from 1st year: Winning the futsal tournament.

JESSICA LIDDY



Hobbies: Reading, art, PC Games.
Favourite film/TV show: Warcraft.
My favourite subject: P.E. and wellbeing.
What I want to be when I grow up: Work in pet daycare.
Best memory from 1st year: First day.



FIRST YEAR PROFILES

LEYLA KELLECI



Hobbies: Drawing, playing the piano, reading, writing.
The person I admire the most: Tove Jansson.
My favourite subject: English and art.
What I want to be when I grow up: Artist/illustrator.
Best memory from 1st year: Getting to know so many amazing new people and even getting closer with some I already knew.

LOLA FORSYTH



Hobbies: Art, walking, animals.
Favourite film/TV show: Supernatural.
My favourite subject: English and German.
What I want to be when I grow up: An art teacher.
Best memory from 1st year: Meeting my new friends.

LUKE DALY RUSH



Hobbies: Playing with friends.
Favourite film/TV show: Star Wars.
The person I admire the most: My mam and dad.
My favourite subject: History.

MADDY FARRELL



Favourite film/TV show: Friends.
The person I admire the most: My nanny.
My favourite subject: Home Ec.
What I want to be when I grow up: A photographer.
Best memory from 1st year: throwing pies at the teachers.

MAKAYLA SODEN



Hobbies: Art.
Favourite film/TV show: The Vampire Diaries.
What I want to be when I grow up: A makeup artist.
Best memory from 1st year: When Ruby burned the tray in Home Ec.

MALACHY BLUNDEN



Hobbies: Basketball, cycling.
Favourite film/TV show: The Simpsons.
The person I admire most: Dwane 'The Rock' Johnson.
My favourite subject: Maths.
What I want to be when I grow up: Actor.

MARCOS HIDALGO CURLEY



Hobbies: Sport, reading, video games.
The person I admire most: My dad.
My favourite subject: CSPE, SPHE, Religion.
What I want to be when I grow up: Robotic Engineer.
Best memory from 1st year: The concert at Christmas.

MEGAN STONE



Hobbies: Singing, playing basketball, doing makeup.
The person I admire most: Billie Eilish.
My favourite subject: Art.
What I want to be when I grow up: A singer.
Best memory from 1st year: Meeting all my new friends because everyone is so kind

NIALL MEGNA



Hobbies: Football, cycling.
The person I admire most: My mum and dad.
My favourite subject: P.E.
What I want to be when I grow up: Own my own business.
Best memory from 1st year: The cross country trips.

REIZYLENNE JOY SAMSIN



Hobbies: Basketball and drawing.
The person I admire most: My mom.
My favourite subject: Maths.
What I want to be when I grow up: Maths teacher or a writer.
Best memory from 1st year: All the moments with my friends because they lit up the year for me.

RUBY DODD



Hobbies: Drawing, painting & baking.
Favourite film/TV show: Stranger Things, IT, Friends.
My favourite subject: Art, science and woodwork.
What I want to be when I grow up: Work in animation or design.
Best memory from 1st year: The day we got to throw pies and balloons at the teachers and making some lovely new friends.

RUBY NOLAN



Hobbies: Doing make-up, baking.
Favourite film/TV show: Shrek.
My favourite subject: Maths.
What I want to be when I grow up: Lawyer.
Best memory from 1st year: Going to the basketball court after school with my friends.



FIRST YEAR PROFILES

SEAN McGOVERN



Hobbies: Gaming, training, and playing with my dog.
Person I admire: Georges St-Pierre.
My favourite subject: Woodwork.
What I want to be when I grow up: The UFC Champion.
Best memory from 1st year: When we had that Rugby Blitz and we won half of our games and only lost one.

SEAN POPOVICI



Hobbies: Basketball, videogames, playing the piano, running, cycling,
Favourite film/TV show: Interstellar and Prison Break.
Person I admire: Kobe Bryant.
My favourite subject: Science.
What I want to be when I grow up: NBA player.

AARON CLEARY



AARON MURPHY



ADAM ABILA



ADAM KELLY



SOFIA DE LUCA



Hobbies: Drawing.
Person I admire: Winona Ryder.
My favourite subject(s): Art.
What I want to be when I grow up: Actress.
Best memory from 1st year: Playing basketball after school on a Friday.

TONY ANTOCHAN



Hobbies: Watching TV, cycling, scooter.
Favourite film/TV show: Avengers, Spongebob.
My favourite subject: P.E., Home Ec., Art.
What I want to be when I grow up: Computer work.
Best memory from 1st year: In art class making clay.

ALEKSANDER MACHYNIA



ALI WATERS MARTIN



AVA CUMMINS



AVA ROSE BYRNE



TUDOR PUICA



Hobbies: Basketball, football and cycling.
Favourite film/TV show: The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air.
My favourite subject: TG.
What I want to be when I grow up: Architect.
Best memory from 1st year: When the school said they were closing.

WEN XIANG LIN CHRIS



Hobbies: Drawing, playing piano and singing.
The person I admire most: Adam Abila.
My favourite subject: Maths.
What I want to be when I grow up: Artist or a singer.
Best memory from 1st year: Christmas concert.

BRANDON O'TOOLE



CAELUM CALLAN FAGAN





FIRST YEAR PROFILES

CALLUM O'SULLIVAN O'CARROLL



CHRIS BIJU NADACKAL



CONOR MARTIN COUSINS



DARYLL MURRAY-COYLE



DESMOND TRAYNOR



ELLIE BERRY BRACK



ERIKS RIBLOVS



GERRY CONNORS



HANNAH CRUISE



HANNAH NAHLIK



HOLLY DAVIS



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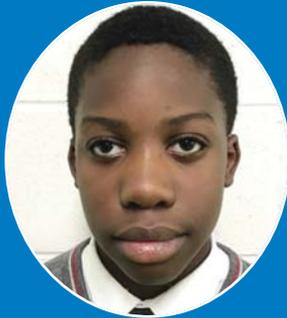
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JAMIE RYAN



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JAYDEN LIAM FARRELL



JERRY MURPHY





FIRST YEAR PROFILES

JERRY WALL



JERRYBOY CONNORS



JESSICA ROCHE



JOSH GRAY



JOSHUA PLUNKETT



KSENIJA FEDOSEJEVA



LAMART EBBS



LILY O'KEEFE



LOGAN COUSSAY



NATHAN DOUGLAS



RHYS POTTS



RINAT GALEARSCHI



SAM MOYNIHAN



SEAN McLOUGHLIN



TADGH CAHILL



TAYLOR WALL



TIANNA KEATING HOMAN



TRISTAN BYRNE



VICA CATAN



ZICHEN WANG





By Ms KILFEATHER

Athletics took place after school on Wednesday afternoons during the 2019/20 academic year. Many of the days we ran 3-5km up to and around Shanganagh Park.

Cross country season took place between October and January and we had students from 1st to 3rd year competing.

In October we competed in the Brother Schools Invitational and then in January the East Leinsters took place in Avondale House in Rathdrum.

Our most consistent trainers and competitors were Amber O'Sullivan, Emma McAlinden and Marcos Hidalgo. Callum McGrane brought home a silver medal after finishing in 2nd place in the East Leinster B Cross Country in Rathdrum- well done Callum!

Unfortunately, we did not have the opportunity to take part in the Track and Field events in spring but there is always next year!



Callum McGrane

BADMINTON



U14 Girls Badminton **By Ms M O'NEILL**

Congratulations to the girls who competed in their first league this year. The team includes Lola Forsyth, Reizylenne Samsin, Lela Lecap, Ksenija Fedosejeva and Katie McCabe. They trained every Wednesday and have worked very hard to build up their skills and have lots of fun.

They competed against High School Rathgar, St Raphaela's and Sandyford Park Secondary School, and had some very impressive wins. They would welcome more girls to join and take on a new challenge.

Congratulations to Reizylenne Samsin who won the sports award for the junior girls' badminton.

U16 Boys' Badminton **By Ms COFFEY**



The Under 16 Badminton team had a fantastic season this year. They reached the final of the Dublin Schools Badminton League, a first for any Badminton team from the school.

They began this year by winning their four group matches against De La Salle Churchtown, Gonzaga College, Coláiste Ráithín and Adamstown.

They then went on to beat Chanel

College in the quarter final and progressed to the semi-finals where they beat Gonzaga again. They were up against a very strong Coláiste Chraobh Abhann team in the final and were unlucky to come out second best.

Well done to the team of Adithya Santhoshkumar, Samuel Oni, Vlad Condrea, Tony Yan and Robert Munro (sub) on their brilliant achievement!!

U19 Boys' Badminton **By Ms COFFEY**

Unfortunately, the Under 19 boys' team didn't have as many matches this year. They played The King's Hospital, St Andrew's College and Scoil Dara.

As most of the players are still in 5th Year, they still have another year to participate in the Dublin league.

The team consisted of Adam Bushe, Paul Megna, Peter Duffy and Daniel Soco.



BASKETBALL

1st Year Boys

By Ms MURPHY

Basketball became a very popular sport this year amongst 1st year boys. The team grew in numbers as the year progressed. The boys showed a lot of enthusiasm and were consistent in showing encouragement and support towards their fellow team members.

Their skills and confidence improved throughout the year and all players showed a lot of resilience during their matches. One player who portrayed complete dedication and commitment to the team is Malachy Blunden, and for that reason he has been named as player of the year.

Well done to all involved.

1st Year Boys A Student's Voice

By DARRAGH KING KEANE

"At the start of 1st year, I barely had any experience with basketball. I decided to join and try it out and I am glad I did. I now love basketball and I have improved a lot since I joined at the start of the year.

I also love basketball as I get to spend time with some of my friends after school on a Monday as that's when we have training.

At the start of the year, we only had about eight players, which was not enough to play matches as we need ten players to play. So, we all started to try and get our friends to join.

Eventually, we got eleven players to join after about three weeks and were able to start training for our matches. More players also gradually joined over time.

I love playing matches and it's not just the fact that you get to get off school, but I love playing basketball as it is very fun. It is also tiring as well but there are different player line-ups on the court each quarter so it's worth it.

I'm looking forward to going back to school so we can get back into matches and training. We did not win much of our games last year, but I still had a great time at the matches.

PS. This applies to me and hopefully some others - Just because you're small doesn't mean you can't ball."



2nd Year Boys

2nd Year Boys

By Ms MURPHY

The basketball season got off to a very promising start with the 2nd year boys in flying form and securing spots in both the East Regional Semi Finals and the All-Ireland Playoffs after a few convincing wins.

On Tuesday, February 11th, the boys showed much composure in their impressive win vs CCM with a final score of 40-20. The man of the match was undoubtedly Adithya Santhoshkumar for his outstanding performance throughout the game.

Buoyed up by this decisive win, the Woodbrook College boys went on to play against Coláiste Cois Life who proved to be an impressive opposition to beat. After a somewhat shaky start, the boys bounced back in the 3rd and 4th quarters with a much-improved defensive performance. This was a very tough opening battle; however, the team kept their nerve and with a strong second half display, they prevailed with a win of 36-31.

This led the players onto the quarter finals which took place on Thursday, March 5th in Coolock battling it out against Chanel College. All players showed great determination and courage throughout this match with many very impressive displays of technique and competence. The team got off to a very strong start and were consistent in their top-class performance throughout

the match. The Woodbrook boys really showed off their skills and talent as they came away with a remarkable win of 44-18. This victory led the boys onto the East Regional Semi-Finals which was unfortunately unable to take place as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic.

I have no doubt that if the semi-finals had taken place, this team would have represented Woodbrook College very proudly. They are a very dedicated team who trained every Thursday after school. This built up the students' confidence in their abilities and it also allowed them time to bond as a team.

They were very supportive of one another and with the encouragement of their Team Captain Harigovind Vinodkumar, they showed outstanding skill both in training and during matches. Harigovind showed great dedication to the team and without a doubt has shown very proficient leadership skills. I believe that all players would agree that this team's player of the year goes to Ryan Walsh. Ryan displayed impeccable performances throughout the season with his remarkable skills and confidence continuing to evolve.

A huge thanks must also go to the teams two assistant-coaches who played a massive role in the team's development throughout the year. 3rd year students Patrick Bongala and Shane Fabrero showed great initiative and admirable management skills both after school during training sessions and at matches as they directed the team towards achieving their victories and accomplishing their well-deserved position in the semi-finals.

The team also qualified for the All-Ireland playoffs this year proving that the future looks bright for the young and talented team.



2nd Year Boys



2nd Year Girls

By Ms LISTON

The girls' teams had a challenging but enjoyable season this year where they competed against some very strong teams in the Wicklow League. The 2nd Year Girls had some really close matches including an exciting game against Rosemont School Sandyford,

where they were unfortunate to lose by one basket in the final minute of the game. They showed great enthusiasm throughout the season, working together as a unit and greatly improving their skills along the way.

The girls trained consistently all year led by some dedicated players

such as Ruby Roche, Abhirami Santhoshkumar and Ella Redmond. This year's MVP is Saskia Cepillo who helped the team a lot with her great defensive skills.

The girls are very much looking forward to a successful campaign next year.

Junior Girls'

By Mr MESSITT

After the disappointment of last year's season, the U16 girls bounced back this year to make history with the school's first ever trophy in girls' basketball.

At the beginning of the year the girls set off to correct the mistakes of last year by training every single Tuesday. The girls pushed themselves in training to improve on their fundamentals, which paid off in their first win of the year against CCA.

The girls continued this great form as they managed to beat North Wicklow Educate Together, St Mary's Arklow and CCM. A lot of credit for the large margins that the girls won by has to be given to Aoife Mohan, who was our top point scorer for the whole season.

With stand-out performances from fellow third years Abby Buckley, Layla Byrne, Anna Krupinska, Lidia Cojocaru, Milly Swan and Lauren Cheevers as well as from our second year cohort of Ella Redmond, Saskia Cepillo, Michelle Dolores, Ruby Roche and Abhirami Santhoshkumar, the girls found themselves in the South East Regional Semi-Finals.

In the semi-finals, the girls faced off against Dominican College, who had won the cup the previous year. The semi-final was one of the best performances of basketball that our school has ever seen, as a combination of Lauren Cheevers, Aoife Mohan, Abby Buckley, Anna Krupinska and Niamh Carey saw the girls build up a substantial lead as both teams went into the second half.

This gave us an opportunity to give a few of the second years a run at U16

basketball. The second year girls took to the game with ease as we saw baskets from Ella Redmond and Ruby Roche to see out the game with a score of 34 - 6.

In the final the girls had to play against a full strength CCA team which consisted of a few players who play club level basketball on the weekends. The finals were held here in our own school, where the hall was packed full of support for the finals and the atmosphere was extraordinary.

The girls put on a display worthy of the support, as they won the finals by a margin of 30 points with nearly every girl scoring a basket in the finals.

Highlighting just how much work they had put in during the year and just how much they had improved from last year. The girls had successfully become the first ever team to win a girls' basketball trophy for Woodbrook College, but their season wasn't to end there.

As the champions of the South East Regional League, the girls had qualified for a place in the All-Ireland playoffs.

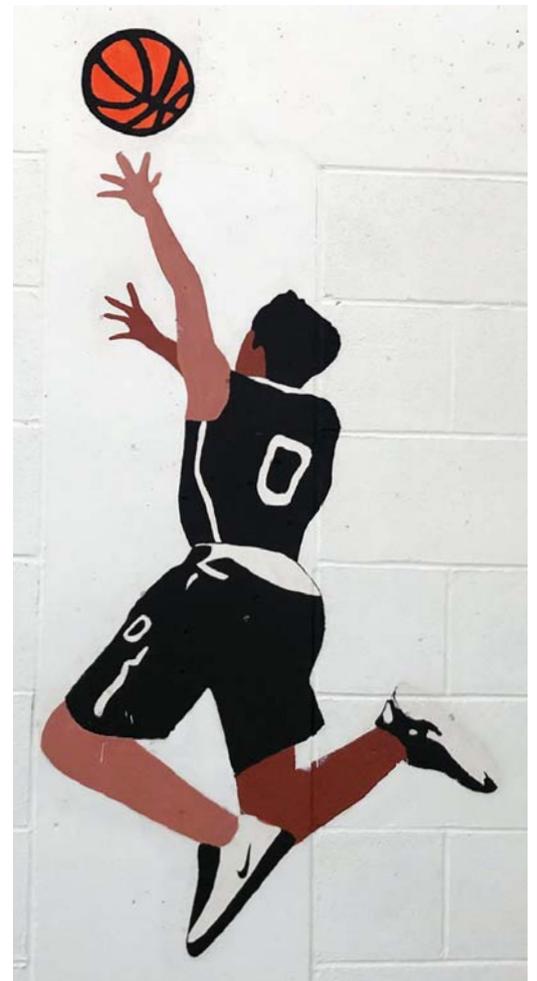
For this game, the girls had to travel down to New Ross to face the South Regional League Champions. For the first time in the whole season, the girls went into the second quarter trailing. The girls show tremendous character and teamwork as they clawed themselves back into the lead by the end of the half.

At this stage our girls had become more relaxed and had noticed what they needed to do in order to keep New Ross from scoring. For the rest of the game, the girls showed their strengths as they sailed to a comfortable winning margin of 15 points.

The girls managed to reach the All-Ireland Quarter-Finals and the Leinster Semi-Finals, where they were finally knocked out by the eventual winners St. Finian's C.C in a well fought game.

Although this marked the end of the girls' season, they had reached new heights for girls' basketball in Woodbrook College and will look to improve on this success in the coming years at U19 level.

Finally, this year's player of the year award goes to Lauren Cheevers, who was the driving force behind most of our success.





BASKETBALL

Junior Boys'

By Mr MESSITT

For a lot of the lads involved in the U16 squad, this was their third year playing together as a team and their third consecutive year of reaching the finals.

The boys managed to go undefeated in the regular season, beating teams from Coláiste Raithín, East Glendalough, Avondale CC, CCM and Temple Carrig to earn themselves a home advantage in the East Regional Quarter Finals. These victories came from a great combination of players from both 3rd and 2nd year. One standout performance that comes to mind was from our captain Patrick Bongala, who recorded his highest individual score of 33 points in our 74 -13 win over Temple Carrig.

Another stand-out performance came from Cian Doyle in our 62 - 30 win over East Glendalough, as he managed to reach double digits in turnovers for one game.

In the quarter finals the boys faced off against Old Bawn for the second year in a row. Last year Old Bawn's height and physicality proved difficult to overcome, but a strong performance from Nathan Kelly, Martin Plotnikovas and Shane Fabrero saw Old Bawn's big men denied the ball as we cruised to a 83 - 30 win and on to the semi-finals.

In the semi-finals, the boys came up against Lucan CC, who had narrowly defeated us in last year's final. The boys were focused on getting revenge for last year's upset and played one of their best games to date in order to deny Lucan a chance of reaching the finals again. The team left everything on the court that day and showed great team depth with great performances from the bench from Adithya Santhoshkumar and Alex Curran as the boys won by a score of 46 - 34.

Unfortunately, the boys didn't manage to win the cup this year as they lost to a very strong De La Salle team in the Final. But that wasn't to be their last game of the season as the boys had secured themselves a place in the All-Ireland Playoffs for the second year in a row.

This time the boys had to travel to



Nenagh in County Tipperary on a Sunday morning in order to take part in the All-Irelands.

Tullamore were the first team that the boys had to face. The boys fell behind by 20 points in the third quarter and seemed to be facing their usual downfall of not being able to claw back a game when they were trailing going into the final quarter. But due to some encouraging words from their captain Bongala and a stand-out performance on defence from Martin, Cian, Adi and Shane, the lads found themselves overcoming the deficit and leading for the first time in the game with one minute to go. Unfortunately, it wasn't

meant to be, as Tullamore managed to find themselves leading by one point at the end of the game.

Although the boys end the year with no silverware to show for their efforts, they can walk away from this season proud of the heights they have reached and the lessons they have learnt. This year's player of the year was nearly impossible for me to pick, but I feel like the whole team would agree that Shane Fabrero deserves it this year for his consistency and the improvement we have all seen on the court from him over the past two years.



GAELIC

1st Year Boys'



The 1st year football team won their blitzes throughout the year and beat many local schools. This earned them a place in Division B for next year. Well done!

1st Year Girls'



Ms M O'NEILL

Congratulations to the 1st year girls who played their first Gaelic football blitz. They played in the local Bray Emmet's GAA club against five other schools from Co Wicklow. The games were tough but the girls stuck together and had great team spirit.

Next year we intend to build up the team with weekly training sessions

and would welcome new players to join the school team. It is a great way to exercise and have fun.

Congratulations to Ava who was player of the Blitz for her skill, determination and great team spirit.

She also won an award for player of the year for the 1st year girl's Gaelic football.

Junior Boys'

Mr LENIHAN

Congratulations to the junior football team who played brilliantly throughout the year. Unfortunately, the team could not finish the year as the school closed due to Covid-19.

While we won't be able to finish this year the way we wanted to, the team are in a great place for next year!

New GAA Jerseys



This year we also purchased a new set of GAA jerseys for the school which are proudly sponsored by P. M. O'Loughlin Food Emporium at the Barbecue Centre in Shankill. We would like to thank all the businesses who contributed to the jerseys.

The following businesses contributed to our raffle for our new school jerseys:

- Bradys of Shankill
- XL Stores -Boghall Road,Bray
- Lloyd's Pharmacy, Shankill
- Shankill Pharmacy
- The Ardmore Bar, Bray
- O'Kelly's Jewellers, Bray
- Swift Clean, Shankill
- P. M. O'Loughlin Food Emporium, Shankill
- Windsor Motors, Bray
- Michael Doherty School Supplies, Bray
- Castle Street Service Garage, Bray
- Health matters, Bray
- House of light, Bray

SOCCER

By MR GREENE

1ST YEAR BOYS' SOCCER

Well done to the 1st year boys' soccer team this year who battled in a tough division. The lads reached the semi-final of the Division 1 Wicklow/Wexford League and lost out narrowly on a final spot.

The player of the season this year was Aaron Cleary who showed fantastic ability and attitude towards tough defending. Well done to all the lads and best of luck with a bright sporting future!



1ST YEAR BOYS' FUTSAL

Our 1st year boys beat some very good teams in the school to make it to the next round in Tallaght in 2019. Some excellent players.



1ST YEAR GIRLS' FUTSAL

By MS TROY

Our first year girls' futsal team took on three other South Dublin teams in the school hall in October. Unfortunately, we didn't get through to the next round. Huge well done to all the girls who took part.



UNDER 15 BOYS' SOCCER

By MR MEYLER



The U15 Soccer team had a very successful season including winning the Wicklow-Wexford League.

The path to glory began against CCA in October when we won 2-0 with goals from Cian Doyle and Callum McGrane. Our next game in the League series saw us get the better of Temple Carraig on a scoreline of 11-0 with the excellent Cian Doyle contributing seven goals.

We then took on a determined CCM side from Wicklow in the semi-final in January on the all-weather pitch in Greystones. Another very good display saw us qualify for the final with a 4-0 victory with Cian Doyle, Callum McGrane, Brandon Healy and Jordan Potts getting the goals.

All roads led to Arklow Towns all weather pitch for the League Final

against the strong favourites, Wexford CBS. The Woodbrook lads found themselves under strong pressure from the very start of the game and could count themselves fortunate to not be a few goals down at halftime.

The game ended 0-0 after a very tight and tense affair and we headed for extra-time.

Wexford took the lead early in the first period of extra-time only for the talismanic Cian Doyle to once again pop up with another priceless goal. This took the game to the dreaded penalty shoot-out where Woodbrook's spot-kick takers kept their nerve and we won 7-6 on penalties after a dramatic and nail-biting shoot-out.

This was a magnificent victory against very strong opposition.

Man of the match in the final and the player of the year was Cian Doyle.

UNDER 15 GIRLS'

By MS TROY



Our under 15 girls' team played a number of matches this year in Wicklow and South Dublin. Our main goal scorers were Eve O'Brien and Ruby Roche. Well done to all involved.

SOCCER



UNDER 17 GIRLS' SOCCER

By MS SYNNOTT

Our U17's girls team have come away from the league this year undefeated. They topped the table in the Wicklow-Wexford league. We saw some exceptional performances from many of the 2nd, 3rd and 4th year girls over the year.

UNDER 17 BOYS' SOCCER

By MR CULLEN



Well done to the U17 boys' soccer team for the effort that they put into matches played during the truncated 2019/20 season. A brave performance with a depleted squad against Arklow CBS was noteworthy.



UNDER 19 BOYS' SOCCER



The U19 soccer team had a very good season which was unfortunately cut short by the Covid-19 pandemic. The lads recorded excellent wins against Pres Bray and CCA along with a draw against CCM to qualify for the semi-final of the Wicklow-Wexford League.

We took on Wexford CBS, the reigning Leinster Cup Champions in January at Woodbrook College in the semi-final and were winning 3-2 with just eight seconds of normal time remaining when disaster struck and Wexford equalised. This took the game to penalties which saw us lose 4-2 and bow out in heart-breaking fashion.

However, we still had the Leinster Shield to compete for and victories over Pres Bray and Tyndall College from Carlow saw us into the Quarter Final before the pandemic struck and brought an end to the season.

Player of the season was the outstanding Finn Richardson.



RUGBY

By MR HORGAN

1st Year Boys

The 1st year boys had a really enjoyable year developing their rugby skills. There were a number of players committed to training every Friday evening, wind, rain or shine.

The team got to play in the Leinster Rugby South Dublin 7's blitzes where they recorded some impressive wins over more established rugby schools. The lads represented Woodbrook College with pride and showed great respect to every team they faced.

The 1st year boys and Mr Horgan would like to thank TY students Sean Kelly and Con Richardson for giving up their time to help the team improve greatly over the course of the year.



JUNIOR BOYS' By MR MESSITT



Due to a great demand from the current third year students, rugby made its return to the schools extra-curricular scene this year. So as soon as the year commenced, the 3rd year boys committed themselves to rugby training on most Wednesday afternoons. Some of the students involved had some prior experience of playing from back when Mr Sheridan introduced them to the sport in 2017. Yet, for the majority of those involved, rugby was a completely new sport to them which they had to learn all the fundamentals of and had to wrap their heads around the unique rules of the sport.

On September 24th, the boys embarked on their first blitz of the year where they would face schools of different

levels in order to determine the league in which they belonged. Their first game was against the school's old rival St David's. The boys got off to a tremendous start to the Blitz with a win over St David's by a score of 29 - 0, ending Woodbrooks' run of consecutive defeats over the past few years. They continued their form in the Blitz as they held Clonkeen to a 0-0 scoreline before eventually losing to Oatlands in the final game.

Following their great performances in the Blitz, the boys were itching to get back out onto the training pitch. Luckily for them, Mr O'Mara had just arrived in the school and was willing to devote his Wednesday evenings to coaching the boys. Mr O'Mara managed to get an impressive number of students involved in the training sessions

Girls Tag Team



Well done to the first ever girls rugby tag team, they were runners-up in the tag tournament this year. - Ms CONNORS

and really seemed to make it enjoyable while also informative for the boys. All the hard work they put in became really visible in their next Blitz, as the junior rugby team won every single match they played. The boys also managed to display their new found skills of defence, as they kept the other schools from scoring for the majority of the Blitz, only to concede one try by the end of the day.

Unfortunately for the boys, their season was cut short due to the early closure of the schools. However, there will still be plenty of time for the boys to get involved in some more rugby in the coming years. This year's player of the year award goes to Adam Cahill for his dedication to training and for his attitude throughout the year.

SPIKEBALL

By MS SYNNOTT



Woodbrook College took part in the Spikeball championships this year. Spikeball is a form of Volley played by 1st year students.

There were two girls teams and one boys team from Woodbrook College involved. The boys had great success over the season, reaching the All-Ireland finals which consisted of playing a number of round robin games in a tournament played in Galway. This was a great sporting experience for the boys.

HURLING

By MR LENIHAN



This year the first ever Bray schools senior hurling team was established with some of our senior students playing for the team. Woodbrook players include Finn Richardson, Conor Pamukcu, Adam Bushe, Daniel Munro and Con Richardson. The team was made up of students from all schools in Bray with a strong influence from Woodbrook College.



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PE XPO 2020



Abhi Santhoshkumar, Ruby Roche and Michelle Dolores



Overall Junior Winners: Ruby, Abhi and Michelle Dolores with Davey Cullen and Grainne Coffey.

Well done to the 2nd and 5th year students that submitted and presented projects at PE Xpo 2020 in Dublin City University on March 3rd. All students should be commended for their hard work and dedication to learning in PE that allowed them to equip themselves excellently when presenting their projects for assessment by the expert judges.

In particular, congratulations to Abhirami Santhoshkumar, Ruby Roche and Michelle Dolores who won the overall junior section (1st – 3rd year) with their project titled; ‘Mixed v Single Sex PE Lessons. Does participation change?’

Some key findings they found were that both genders would work physically harder in a single sex PE lesson and that girls preferred to be

taught PE by a female teacher. The three girls will now look to extend their research to increase the number of participants and by examining the quality of learning and effort in PE mixed and single sex PE lessons with the ambition of presenting at the Young Scientist exhibition.

Good luck girls..you’ll make great future researchers and scientists!



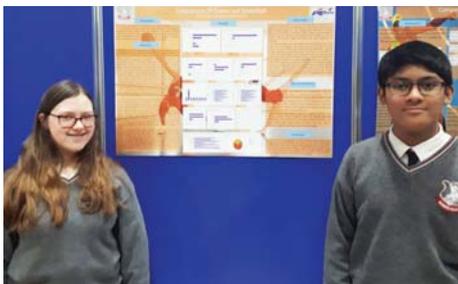
Hari Vinodkumar & Reece Gray with The Shark and the Cheetah.



Saskia and Brodie with A Performance Analysis in Basketball.



Daragh O’Connor, Alan Piegza & Luke O’Brien with Performance Assessment of a Squat.



Cole Bateson, David Nervez & Niamh Tapley with a Comparison of the Dance and Basketball.



Tom Murphy & Conor Murphy with Injury Care and Prevention



Conor Noghayin with Organising and Officiating on the Fun Run.



Denis Turcanu & Enda Douglas with Performance Assessment of a Bench Press.



1ST YEAR SUMMMER CAMP



Some of our first years arrived into the school building a few weeks early in August to get to know each other. The summer camp is a great opportunity to bond and get involved in lots of different activities. Everyone had great fun!



PARENTS' COUNCIL QUIZ



SENIOR DEBATING

Our 5th and 6th year senior debaters took part in the Concern debates this year. This was a lot of work on top of their study and homework so well done lads. It involves a lot of research, speech editing and guts to get involved. It also involved giving up entire evenings to travel to Wicklow schools to compete. We were not successful this year but we did recruit some new 5th years so hopefully next year we will make it to the next round. Well done to Eibhin Flanagan, Patryk Ostapczuk, Evan Skelly, Paul Megna and Carlos Labuni for all of their dedication and hard work.

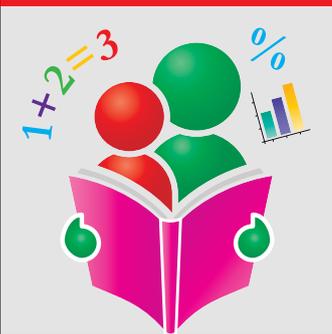


JUNIOR DEBATING



Our 1st and 2nd year debaters spent three evenings travelling to UCD to compete in the Junior Schools Debating Competition there. Every debate involved a week of research and speech writing on top of homework and other activities. Unfortunately, we did not get through to the next round but the girls have to be commended for their enthusiasm and dedication throughout the whole process. Well done to Ayse Kelleci, Niamh Tapley, Leyla Kelleci, Aisling Tapley and Holly Davis.

NUMERACY



Congratulations to our four 6th year students Ben Jones, Ben Kelly, Konrad Bzdyra and Patryk Ostapczuk on representing Woodbrook college in the IMTA maths competition this year.



All first years taking part in Maths Week. Well done to all!

6th year trip to HAMLET

By MS. SHIELY AND MR. LENIHAN



On Monday January 13th, 6th Year Higher Level English students travelled to UCD to see a production of William Shakespeare's Hamlet, directed by Tzarini Meyler and performed by the student Dramsoc.

Students really enjoyed the performance and all agreed it was a fantastic learning experience.

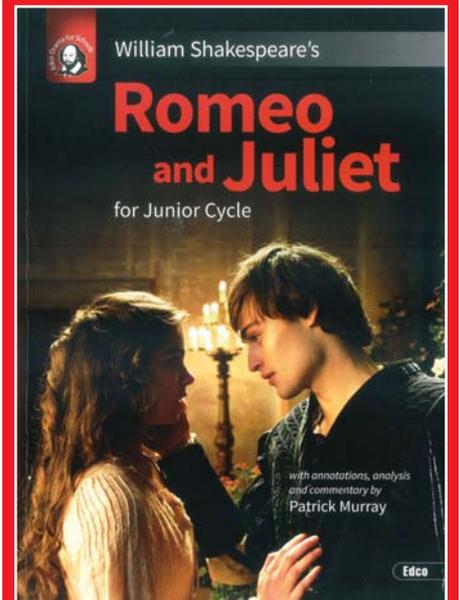
The performance itself showed quite an alternative directorial slant.

The costumes circus themed which has prompted much interesting class discussion as students reconcile each costume with the character traits they are so familiar with.

The students were commended for their attentiveness and their visible interest by the front-of-house manager after the show. Well done to all!



3RD YEAR TRIP TO ROMEO & JULIET



By MS. KILFEATHER

On Friday March 6th, 3rd Year Edison went to see *Romeo and Juliet* on stage in the Mill Theatre in Dundrum. They had spent a few weeks studying it as part of their Junior Cycle English course in class prior to their trip.

Ethan Larkin: "In March 2020 my class and I went to the Mill Theatre to see William Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*. I thought the play was amazing and the actors did a very good job at bringing this play to life. I liked the way they added a more modern twist for example in the costumes. It was much more modern than the year the play was originally written. It was done very clearly and they made it easy to follow and understand."

3RD YEAR TRIP TO THE MERCHANT OF VENICE



3rd year Carson travelled to The Helix in DCU to see a production of 'The Merchant of Venice' in March. It was a Cyclone Rep production which meant that it was geared towards Junior Cycle students.

With only a handful of people on stage, the cast managed to get through the entire

play while explaining the main scenes and how characters felt during them. It was an excellent production and the pupils thoroughly enjoyed it. We may even have some new Shakespeare fans on our hands after it. A great day out!

- MS. KILFEATHER



McAleese in LEINSTER HOUSE

Second year McAleese lobby government over urgent action needed on Climate Change.

On Wednesday February 26th, the 2nd year McAleese class visited the Leinster house to lobby government officials over the urgent action that is on Climate Change. This was part of a CSPE project in which they took significant steps to have their voices heard on Climate Change.

The significant actions the class took included; surveying 124 students in the school about climate change concerns, organising a fundraising bake sale to donate money to climate change NGOs and lobbying central government to take radical steps to lessen the effects of climate change. When lobbying government officials, Niamh Tapley presented the findings from our survey to the Oireachtas Parliamentary Education Officer to demonstrate how a large majority of

By MR. CULLEN



the students in the school want immediate actions taken on Climate Change to ensure that young people have a safe and sustainable planet in

which to live. Unfortunately, there were no government ministers or TDs to lobby as no government has been formed.



Trip to *Butlers Chocolate Factory*

By
MR. COADY

The 5th Year LCVP students organised a trip to Butlers Chocolate Factory as part of their portfolio work.

Students were immersed in a world of chocolate. The tour began with each student being provided with a white coat and a hair net. Students learnt about the history of Butlers Chocolates while sampling white, dark and dairy chocolate.

Following on from this, students visited the

Chocolate museum where they were challenged with a quiz. While completing the quiz students were offered chocolate truffles. The most impressive part of the tour was the factory tour. Students looked down on the factory floor through glass walkways suspended above the workers. Here they learned about the processes that chocolate goes through and the different areas such as packaging and wrapping.

Finally, students were brought to the chocolate experience room where they were treated to a live chocolate making demonstration. Each student got to decorate and package a chocolate elephant which they were allowed to bring home.

As a result of the tour each student was able to complete their portfolio and eat chocolate throughout the process.

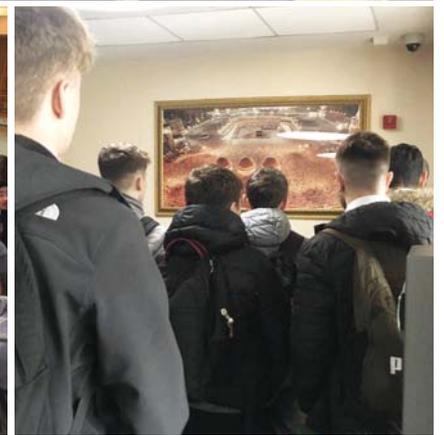
3rd Year Trip to the Mosque

In November our 3rd years visited the Islamic Cultural Centre in Clonskeagh as part of their Religion journal project for the Junior Cert. We were shown around the centre by Ali who gave the pupils some history surrounding Islam and answered any questions they had.

We were shown into the great hall and we were able to see how Muslims pray first-hand. It was a great experience for the kids and it really helped them to understand the religion more!

It was practically essential to pop in to McDonalds on the way home to discuss the trip!

By MS TROY



TRIP TO SHANKILL GARDA STATION

German movie in **The Mermaid**

By EMER MARSCHNER



In early March the 5th and 6th German students joined other local schools to watch an exclusive filming of the German film *Vielmachglas* in the Mermaid Theatre.

The film is a contemporary comedy/drama about Marleen, a young woman in her early 20s, struggling to find her way in the world. At a loss when her older brother dies in a tragic accident, she decides to remember him by completing a voyage to Antarctica that he had planned himself. It's a long and arduous trip but along the way, she finds meaning and self-understanding as well as a host of colourful new friends.

Presented in association with IFI Education, it was a great opportunity for our Senior Cycle students to experience an original German language movie.

Und sie haben viel Spaß gehabt!



GYMNASTICS



AWARD WINNERS

ACADEMIC	MERIT	ACADEMIC	MERIT
ART		HISTORY	
Ben Kinlan	Jack Barsoum	Evan O'Donnell	Sophie Kennedy
BUSINESS		Ella Maree	Fiona Nervez
Sadhbh Dempsey, Caedan Molloy	Ciara Ennis	HOME ECONOMICS	
Jack Barsoum, Adam Kosmulski	Adriana Demenco	Lorcan Pamukcu	James McGrane Ero
Fiona Nervez, James McGrane Ero		Ciara Ennis	Ella Maree
Charley Robinson		IRISH	
CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY		Tadhg MacManus Donoghue	Stephen Mooney
Sadhbh Dempsey	Adriana Demenco	MATHS	
ECDL		Sadhbh Dempsey	Adam Kosmulski
Tadhg MacManus	Caedan Molloy	Cian O'Donnell	Ella Butler Davis
ENGLISH		PHYSICAL EDUCATION	
Fiona Nervez	Lorcan Pamukcu	Ella Maree	Luca Pinchera
Ella Maree	Ciara Ennis	Dylan Kavanagh	Niamh Carry McLeavey
FRENCH		RELIGION	
Fiona Nervez	James McGrane Ero	Fiona Nervez	Sami O'Brien
GEOGRAPHY		Jakub Kliszcz	Ella Maree
Sean Kelly	Ella Maree	SCIENCE	
GERMAN		Adriana Demenco	Fiona Nervez
Sophie Kenedy	Charley Robinson	Ella Maree	Sophie Kennedy
GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP		YOUNG SOCIAL INNOVATORS	
Ella Maree	Sean Kelly	Adriana Demenco	Cian Kelly
		SPIRIT OF THE YEAR	James McGrane Ero
		STUDENT OF THE YEAR	Ella Maree

GREASE

This year's TY musical was Grease. Due to Covid-19 and subsequent school closure, the show never went ahead. All the practice, all the rehearsal, all the learning of lines, singing of songs and dancing of dances never made it to the stage. Nevertheless, the cast and teachers involved had an enjoyable time and got to know one and another in a less formal environment.

The casting began before the Summer holidays had commenced. Some of the students had taken part in musicals before and we let them know that we would be auditioning for Grease in September if they'd like to throw their hats in the ring. The number of students who auditioned was promising and surprising and an array of talent was unveiled.

The Lead roles of Sandy and Danny were given to Ciara Ennis and James McGrane. The T-Birds were comprised of Daniel Corrigan, Luke Connolly, Con Richardson and Sean Kelly as Kenickie. The Pink ladies were Ella Dease, Hana Swan, Ella Butler Davis and Mya Davey playing Rizzo and singing with the voice of an angel, with Dean Knowles as Johnny Casino, Sadhbh Dempsey as Patty Simcocks and Luke Lyons as Vince Fontane.

We rehearsed dances which Ms Coffey, who had choreographed each and every dance, every Friday morning. The students were excellent and were eager participants. They had done so well and even managed to memorise the Whop Bop a Lula a Whop Bang Boom lyrics while dancing 'We Go Together'. They had co-ordinated the switch over in 'Summer Nights' and learned to lift one another up for the wonderfully choreographed Hand Jive. The leads also gave up their time to come in during mid-term break to begin setting the scenes.

However, it was not to be: The musical that never was. I'm so bitterly disappointed for all the class, they were a very talented group and had shown such enthusiasm and zeal for their roles. Ms Coffey and I would like to thank you all from the bottom of our hearts for your hard work and tenacity to audition and pluck up the courage to perform in front of your peers, it's no easy task. Well done!

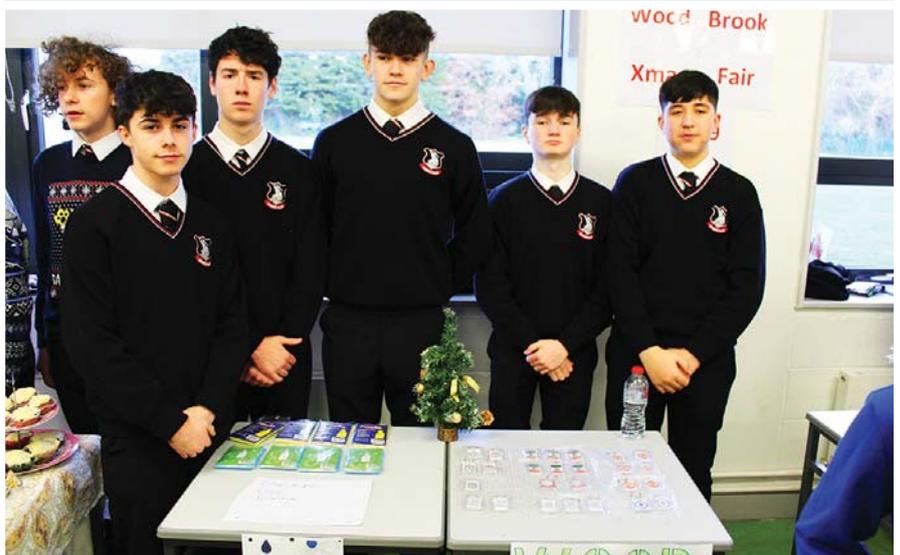
MINI COMPANY

Students began learning about the basic elements of establishing your own company in September. They then learned about entrepreneurs and how some became successful and others not.

They completed modules on Market Research, Marketing, Advertising and Finance. Using these building blocks students brainstormed ideas in groups and this formed the basis of their mini company. They were then guided by their teacher as they put the theory of what they learned in class into practice with their own mini companies.

Each group's work was to be tested at the annual Woodbrook Christmas Fair. Students were challenged to create, advertise and sell their products on the day. Each group was very successful on the day with some groups even securing orders for future dates.

CRAFT FAIR



CRAFT FAIR



HISTORY AND HERITAGE TOURS



The TYs spent one afternoon a week visiting different places and experiencing new things.



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IRISHTOWN RUN



LEGO BUILDING



FUN RUN 2019

In spite of the wet weather, the **2019 Fun Run** took place on Friday October 25th. For the first time in its existence the venue was changed from Shanganagh Park to the school campus due to the poor weather. The students involved in the organisation were excellent when asked to adapt to the contingency of staging the run on the school's grounds at short notice. Well done to all involved on reacting so well to the change of venue.

Even though the weather was poor, student enthusiasm and participation were high. This was reflected in the €1250 fundraised from the €5 entry fee to take part. The funds raised were donated to the four different charity partners; Irish Aid, Vision Sports Ireland, Irish Wheelchair Association and Christmas Hamper appeal. Well done to all those who bravely participated despite the poor weather and a big 'thank you' for their generous donations.

For the students who were keen to compete, there were three races within the Fun Run; senior boys', girls' and junior boys'. Congratulations to Conor Murphy on winning the senior boys' race, Eve O'Brien on winning the girls' race and Nathan O'Shea on winning the junior boys' race.

The whole school community look forward to the 2020 edition of the Fun Run and hope for improved weather conditions so it can return to the Shanganagh Park venue.



Lightning starting to the Senior Boys' run



The girls are keen to begin their run





Junior boys' run



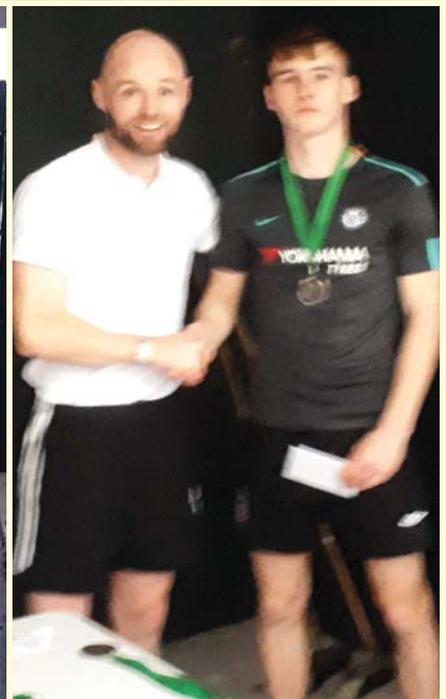
TY girls having the chats in their run...I mean walk



Senior Boys' run on the front cover of the JD sports catalogue!!!



Daragh an assertive presence at the start / finish line



Art Club



The Art room was a hive of creativity on Monday evenings with the addition of the Art and Photography Club this year.

Students tried their hand at many different things over the course of the year. It also gave those who do not study Art a chance to get involved and learn new skills.

There was drawing, painting, sculpting, firing and glazing. The

storeroom was turned into a darkroom, the printing press was dusted off and everyone worked together sharing ideas, skills and created work in a relaxed environment.

Many 1st year students also got involved in painting some impressive murals in the sports hall to create a supportive atmosphere for the school teams. – MR. HORGAN

Science Club

Great fun was had in **Science club** this year! A wonderful group of students met on Tuesday and Wednesday after school, using their own time to improve their scientific knowledge. The students worked hard on Young Scientist applications and remain optimistic that next year they will be successful in their entries. We are looking forward to the return of the Young Scientist club next September and all the fun experiments that will involve. – MS. M HAND

Drama Club

Drama club saw a lot of growth this year, with many new students trying out drama for the first time, many laughs were had and some incredible performances as well. – MR. JOHNSTON

Hobbies Club

Hobbies club this year saw an introduction of a new game, "Dungeons & Dragons". It was a fast hit with students and saw new people joining in. A student favourite staple, "Magic the Gathering" was also quite popular this year as well as chess and checkers. – MR. JOHNSTON

HALLOWEEN FANCY DRESS



Congratulations to our fancy dress competition winners. Everyone made a huge effort as you can see but our judges agreed that Jerry Wall, Dominic Bessler and Adam Farrell were our overall winners and who are we to argue? A lot of money was raised from this fancy dress day so well done to all involved!



This year first, second and third years completed their sewing craft projects in Home Economics. For second years it was their first CBA to be completed in Home Ec.

A variety of wall hangings, cushions and upcycled projects such as a draft excluder made from an old scarf were created using a variety of sewing skills such as appliqué and embroidery. Well done to all the students for learning these new skills. – MS CLUSKEY

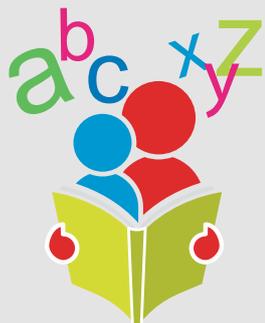


SVP HAMPERS

Well done to our TY classes who helped to organise the St Vincent de Paul hampers before Christmas this year.



LITERACY



CORNER

This year we kept up our 'Drop Everything and Read' initiative every week. Pupils were allowed to read their own books during a portion of a timetabled class.

Well done to all who got involved in this and especially those who willingly posed for our photos!

We also had monthly literacy competitions and we have included some of our winners here. We had a very positive response every month and it was extremely hard to pick a winner each time.

We also had challenges on our literacy board and an author of the month. Thank you to the pupils who helped with the literacy board every month!

Winner of our OCTOBER LITERACY COMPETITION (Scary story)

Don't Fall Asleep

He was laying in his bed, his teary, fearful eyes staring at the blank ceiling. He was shaking and I could almost smell the fear dripping off him, like dew off a blade of grass. The sun had long been set and the only light in his room came from the moon shining through the window. It shone over his small, anxious face and I could see his eyes growing heavy as he fought to keep them open. He had lasted so many nights...he told himself that if he could last one more long and painful night, then maybe it might leave him alone. How wrong he was.

The rules had been clear from the start. Don't fall asleep. At first he didn't follow them, but after he was punished (maybe with a bruise or a missing teddy bear) he quickly learned not to disobey.

Of course he tried to break them. Everybody does. He might have had a nap during school or a daze in the car driving home, but it always knew, and punished him in a unique way.

He tried to act like it didn't bother him but as he got more and more tired, his parents caught on. They started asking questions and sent him to bed early, demanding that he have a rest.

I had been with him for a week by then. A week without sleep. After one day without rest, a person will have lost their



**ELLA REDMOND
(2 McAleese)**

ability to think clearly. After a week, they will be unable to function properly and have vivid hallucinations.

So as I sat there that night, in the corner that he couldn't see from his bed, just hidden from the moonlight, I knew that he wouldn't last much longer.

I watched as he drank the last of his juice and rubbed his eyes. He was giving in. He thought that whatever happens to him now couldn't possibly be worse than what has happened so far. How wrong he was.

I saw his eyes close and I sighed a dismal sigh, preparing myself for what I knew from experience would be a gruesome scene. As his breathing slowed to a steady pace, I heard the aged wooden door on the closet slowly creep open, the minute noise deafening in the silence of the night. I peeked through my fingers and slowly opened my eyes, fearing the worst, and there it was. I saw its long, bony fingers creep around the side of the door and as I did, I was suddenly overwhelmed with the taste of what I could only describe as death in the air.

I tried my best to save him, I really did. I tried to keep him awake, thinking it would lose interest. But it never does. And as I hear his screams echo through my mind, I walk away and repeat the one rule I have to follow. Don't fall asleep.



NOVEMBER POETRY WINNER

School



**SADHBH DEMPSEY
(TY PARKS)**

Darkness. The clouds are black and wind
peels trees of their clothes.
We sit under fluorescent lights like lizards
in a terrarium.
Their glare accentuating the deepening
darkness beneath our eyes,
Our ears elsewhere.
All there is commotion, chatter.
Rumbling at the back of unruly
classrooms.
Teachers screech in an attempt to tame.
Elephants stomping around hallways as
the bell rings.
"Journal. Note. Detention. Homework."
Tears dripping from leaking eyes into the
water from the leaking sink,
"If only I had studied harder".
Students are becoming blurred together,
As are the days.
Identical.
Indistinguishable.
I suppose that that is just how it's meant
to be.
After all, we are just in school.



FRENCH BREAKFAST MORNING

TYS ENJOYING A LOVELY FRENCH BREAKFAST!



MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES WEEK



As part of Modern Foreign Languages week there was a school wide Kahoot competition. There was fierce competition, but the winners- Ben Kelly, Eduard Grefaldeo and Jamie Doyle well deserved to win!

DEUTSCHMOBIL



By MS. MARSCHNER

The Deutschemobil came to Woodbrook in November 2019. The Deutschemobil is an educational project which is organised by the DAAD (Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst), the German Embassy in Dublin and the Goethe-Institut Ireland. It was initiated in order to promote the German language in Ireland. Within the past few years the Deutschemobil has visited more than 300 schools and other educational institutions throughout the country.

Christine from the Goethe Institut came and gave three workshops on German culture and traditions to 1st years, 5th years and 6th years. She arrived in an E-Golf sponsored by Volkswagen, and the students (and Harry) were fascinated to see how it charged (plugged into the Physics lab).

Christine had prizes and Gummibärchen for everyone. It was really enjoyable day, and everyone learned lots about Germany. Wir haben viel Spaß gehabt!



GERMAN BREAKFAST



As part of Modern Foreign Languages week in September, we had a delicious "Deutsches Frühstück", A traditional German breakfast of fresh bread rolls, salami, cheese and of course, Nutella! Lecker!! Guten Appetit!



GERMAN V. SPAIN FOOTBALL MATCH



As part of Modern Foreign Languages week in September the first year German and Spanish classes had a "friendly" football match.

Although Germany played amazingly well, the Spanish

team beat them by 7 - 4.

However, the German team have been practising and have challenged Spain to a basketball match in September! Auf geht's Deutschland! Vive Espana!

GERMAN EXCHANGE

Woodbrook College was due to participate in a German school exchange in June 2020. Fifteen Transition and 5th year students signed up to travel to Cologne for a week.

We wanted to experience first-hand the language, culture and history of Germany, and make new friends! We were all so disappointed the exchange had to be cancelled due to COVID 19 restrictions. Hopefully we can plan another exchange for the not too distant future.

Our partner school- Wilhelm von Humboldt Gesamtschule in Grevenbroich, a large town new Cologne- organised a brilliant itinerary for our visit. Hopefully we will get over to visit them soon! And they are hoping to visit us in Bray in 2021.



SPANISH EXCHANGE

The academic year 2019/20 marked the first year of the Woodbrook College and Colegio Santa Ana School Exchange Programme. In October 2019 the Spanish students came to Woodbrook College for a week and in February 2020, 7 of our students went to Colegio Santa Ana in Seville. Here is what they had to say about it:

Nathan Kelly 3rd year:

I went on the exchange to further my knowledge of Spanish culture and life. I thought the classes would be boring but they were actually a great experience. Everyone was so welcoming and friendly. The language barrier was difficult but I was fortunate my host family also had English. I would love to go again as it was an amazing experience!

Oskar Kudzielko 3rd year:

I went on the exchange as I wanted to get a taste of a whole new life. Highlights were arriving at the airport and the temperature difference, the first meeting with everyone in the school as well as the football

match Sevilla v RCD Espanyol. I found the Spanish accent the most challenging part but I would go again as it was a memorable experience.

Liviu Ungureanu 3rd Year

I liked my stay in Sevilla a lot. The people were very nice and caring. I got to see a lot of beautiful places and I got to stay with a lovely family. My biggest highlight was making new friends in the school. I would definitely go again, I enjoyed it a lot!

Cole Bateson 2nd year

I went on the exchange as I thought it would be really fun and I wanted to improve my Spanish and learn more about the culture. My favourite part was the day we went to the Real Alcazar, it was really fascinating. The food was also so good. Integrating into the family and their way of life was challenging but my exchange partner helped me. I would love to do it again and recommend it to everyone.

Alex Klisczc 2nd year

I went on the exchange to improve my Spanish and meet new people. My highlights of the



trip were going to my exchange partner's football game and visiting the Metropol Parasol.

Emma O'Reilly 2nd Year

I went on the Spanish exchange because I wanted to see what their life was like, experience a different culture, try new foods and see the sites of the city. My highlights were the day we went to Las Setas because of the amazing view and the sports day. I would go again because I had a great time and enjoyed the experience.

Niamh Tapley 2nd Year

I went on the exchange as I thought it would help me improve my Spanish, and it definitely did that. I also went because it sounded fun. My highlights were definitely visiting some of the places, especially the Real Alcazar, Plaza de Espana and Triana. The most challenging part



was speaking Spanish, I was scared to make mistakes. As the week went on my confidence grew and I started speaking more. I would definitely go again as I enjoyed it.

WOODBROOK WELLFEST

By Ms S HAND



One of the big events that did go ahead this year was the inaugural **Woodbrook Wellfest**. On December 6th we held a display of all of the work that the students had been working on since September. The theme of their work was *Sustainable Development Goal No 3 – Good Health and Wellbeing*. As part of their Global Citizenship Module in TY, Rembrandt, had explored this theme and completed research on the health and wellbeing issues facing citizens all over the world. The students then had to take action on the issue they identified.

TY Rembrandt really threw themselves into the task and demonstrated great understanding on the issues. When I saw how creative and inventive their ideas were, I knew we had to hold some kind of showcase of their work so I came up with the idea of Woodbrook Wellfest with the support of the Innovation Academy in UCD where I was studying. The tutors at UCD were so impressed when I explained to them how hard the students were working that they asked if they could come and see the work. The Wellfest really took off and we decided to have prizes – sponsored by Worldwise Global Schools and to invite some guests to the school too. We invited Simon Harris TD, Minister for Health and he accepted our invitation.

Word about the festival spread quickly and soon we had 2 Hackett involved through the Wellbeing class I have with them and 3 Carson

involved through their Geography class with me too.

The vast array of projects they developed really blew me away – all of the students exceeded my expectations by far. Not only that, I learned a new way of teaching. Room 7 became (I think) a more relaxed place! Music was allowed, no homework was given on this project and despite my initial reservations about it the students started calling me by my first name! The idea was that if I was asking the students to try something new and to be creative, I had to try something new and trust the students in a new way. I really enjoyed this new dynamic and I think the students did too.

On the day of Woodbrook Wellfest we were disappointed when Minister Harris rang to say that he needed to reschedule for Monday but we proceeded with our guests Lizzie Noone from Worldwise Global Schools, Alan Morgan and Jacinta Owens from the Innovation Academy in UCD and Dr Deirdre McGillacuddy from the School of Education, UCD. The students presented their projects to the panel and we had prizes for the Best Overall Project, Most Innovative Idea and Best Display on the day. The judges could not believe the standard of work presented by the students and found it exceedingly difficult to pick a winner. They eventually picked the 2 Hackett Project of Wellness Week as the Most Innovative Idea. The TY German Class had designed a barefoot sensory walk and they were awarded best

display on the day. Overall winner was the TY girls who wanted to increase girl's participation in sport and held a sports morning with the junior girls to do this.

On the following Monday Minister Harris did come to the school to see the projects and he was also impressed by what he saw. He participated in a Question and Answer session with the students and we presented him with a gift to thank him for coming. Little did we know then how busy the Minister was about to become!

I have so many great memories of Woodbrook Wellfest and I am truly sorry that TY Parks Summer Wellfest that was scheduled for May 21st had to be cancelled. They had begun work on their brilliant ideas and we were looking forward to exploring the countries of the world that they had selected to explore. At least you got to cook up some lovely dishes with Ms Cluskey before school finished.

I want to sincerely thank all of my colleagues who helped in the preparations for the day. Ms Marschener and her German class went to a huge effort to build their sensory walk. Ms Troy is always so supportive and took great pictures on the day and Ms Cluskey was so helpful in supporting my ideas. Mr Horgan's artistic eye was also much appreciated. Most of all thanks to the students for trusting me enough to try something new. I loved it and cannot wait for Woodbrook Wellfest 2.0.



School Life



AWARD WINNERS 2020

ACADEMIC		MERIT
ART		
1st Year	Sean Popovici Chris Lin	Holly Davis Megan Stone
2nd Year	Abigail Byrne	Dominik Bessler
3rd Year	Serena Zheng	Leah Gorman
5th Year	Rei Daniel Yap	Danben Tingson
BIOLOGY		
5th Year	Adam Bushe Eoin Bande	Mitch Johnson Leslin Vinod
BUSINESS		
5th Year	Peter Duffy	Jack Jin
BUSINESS STUDIES		
1st Year	Adam Abila Malachy Blunden	Tadhg Cahill Rinat Gaelearschi
2nd Year	Emily O'Reilly	Ruby Roche
3rd Year	Serena Zheng Oscar Morris	Kyle Cox Moloney Oskar Kudzielko
CHEMISTRY		
5th Year	Leslin Vinod	Evan Skelly
CONSTRUCTION STUDIES		
5th Year	Paulius Rutkauskas	Enda Douglas
DCG		
5th Year	Leslin Vinod	Nikita Sosnars
ECONOMICS		
5th Year	Eoin Bande	Luca Gvaramia
ENGLISH		
1st Year	Aisling Tapley Malachy Blunden Sean McLoughlin	Marcos Hidalgo Callum O'Connor Tadhg Cahill
2nd Year	Yasmin Leonard Niamh Tapley Taine Vella Whelan	Reece Lawlor Driver David Nervez Dominik Bessler
3rd Year	Lidia Cojocararu Lauren Cheevers Robert Healy Aoife Mohan	Anna Krupinska Ethan Larkin Nathan O'Reilly Milly Swan
5th Year	Leslin Vinod Denis Turcanu DJ Drohan	Adam Bushe Xiuliang Yan Paul Paus
FRENCH		
2nd Year	Michelle Dolores	Molly Owens
3rd Year	Serena Zheng	Oisin Forsyth
5th Year	Leslin Vinod	Ameesh Bainsraj
GEOGRAPHY		
1st Year	Chris Biju Malachy Blunden Hannah Nahlik	Iliya Enami Jack Warner Lily O'Keefe
2nd Year	Lela Lacap Mia Hanney Abhirami Santhoshkumar	Chloe Hilliard Callum McGrane Saskia Cepillo
3rd Year	Matthew McCoy Gabrijel Ivankovic Vlad Condrea Jamie Brack	Ben Currums/Kyle Cox Moloney Benson Lin Katie Howlett Martin Plotnikovas
5th Year	Nikita Sosnars Daniel Soco	Conor Murphy Danny Burns

ACADEMIC		MERIT
GERMAN		
1st Year	Aisling Tapley	Iliya Enami
2nd Year	David Nervez	Mia Hanney
3rd Year	Lidia Cojocararu	Aoife Dolan
5th Year	Eoin Bande	Peter Duffy
HISTORY		
1st Year	Chris Biju Malachy Blunden Hannah Nahlik	Reizylenne Samsin Jack Warner Wen Xiang Lin
2nd Year	David Nervez	Lela Lacap
3rd Year	Layla Byrne Murray Anna Krupinska Ethan Larkin Jamie Mooney	Matthew McCoy Oscar Morris Andrew O'Toole Robert Healy
5th Year	Evan Skelly	Danny Burns
HOME ECONOMICS		
1st Year	Adam Abila Aisling Tapley	Megan Stone Reizylenne Samsin
2nd Year	Niamh Tapley Saskia Cepillo	Renata Didiu Darren Carroll
3rd Year	Abby Buckley Lidia Cojocararu	Layla byrne Murray Kyle Cox Moloney
IRISH		
1st Year	Callum O'Connor Aisling Tapley Sofia De Luca	Sam Moynihan Hannah Nahlik John Gray
2nd Year	David Nervez Kelsey O'Callaghan Niamh Tapley	Emma O'Reilly Stephen Maree Callum McGrane
3rd Year	Callum Larkin Aoife Dolan Robert Healy Abbey Buckley	Dylan Hempenstall Milly Swan Denis Geaney Alex Curran
5th Year	Nikita Sosnars Eoin Bande	Danny Burns Darragh O'Connor
LCVP		
5th Year	Adam Bushe	Eduard Cojocararu
MATERIALS TECHNOLOGY WOOD		
1st Year	Hannah Nahlik Darragh King Keane	Damian Kosmulski Sean McLoughlin
2nd Year	Ellen King Keane Cara McDermott Hawking	Dean Thomas Alexander Kliszcz
3rd Year	Abbie Fitzpatrick Mathew McCoy	Mark Buckley Milly Swan
MATHS		
1st Year	Malachy Blunden Aisling Tapley Wen Xiang Lin	Nathan Douglas Tadhg Cahill Reizylenne Samsin
2nd Year	Dominik Bessler Katie McCabe Niamh Tapley	Calum Smith Kinsella Renata Dediu Abhirami Santhoshkumar
3rd Year	Serena Zheng Katie Howlett Danni McGowan Matthew McCoy	Abby Buckley Jocelynn Flynn Kacey Heapes Lex Farrell
5th Year	Xiuliang Yan Thomas Murphy Mitch Johnson	Nikita Sosnars Tadhg Twomey Finn Daragh O'Connor
PHYSICS		
5th Year	Paulius Rutkauskas	DJ Drohan

1st/2nd/3rd/5th

	ACADEMIC	MERIT
	RELIGIOUS STUDIES	
1st Year	Sofia De Luca Leyla Kelleci Hannah Nahlik	Sean Popovici Magan Stone Sean McLoughlin
2nd Year	Lela Lacap Mia Haney Abhirami Santhoshkumar	Katie McCabe Callum Smith Kinsella Darren Carroll
3rd Year	Serena Zheng Karol Hotek Matthew McCoy Ethan Larkin	Abby Buckley Jamie Mooney Kyle Cox Moloney Andrew O'Toole
5th Year	Nikita Sosnars Adam Bushe	Evan Skelly Leslin Vinod

	ACADEMIC	MERIT
	SCIENCE	
1st Year	Wen Xiang Lin Jake Leonard Sean McGovern Aisling Tapley	Chris Biju Hannah Nahlik Lily O'Keefe Marcos Hidalgo
2nd Year	Saskia Cepillo Robert Munro David Nervez Abigail Byrne	Samuel Oni Michelle Dolores Cody Doyle Ellen King Keane
3rd Year	Serena Zheng Lauren Cheevers Robert Healy Matthew McCoy	Abby Buckley Caolan O'Connor Vlad Condrea Leah Gorman

	ACADEMIC	MERIT
	SPANISH	
1st Year	Adam Abila Hannah Nahlik	Darragh King Keane Jake Leonard
2nd Year	Ayse Kelleci	Emma O'Reilly
3rd Year	Abbie Fitzpatrick Oskar Kudzielko	Oisin Forsyth Anna Krupinska

	ACADEMIC	MERIT
	TECHNICAL GRAPHICS	
1st Year	Damian Kosmulski	Sean Popovici
2nd Year	Abhirami Santhoshkumar	Cillian McCormack
3rd Year	Oskar Kudzielko	Benson Lin

	ACADEMIC	MERIT
	DEBATING	
Junior	Ayse Kelleci	2nd Year
Senior	Eibhin Flanagan	6th Year

	ACADEMIC	MERIT
	DRAMA	
	Luke Connolly	TY

	ACADEMIC	MERIT
	HOBBIES	
	Mitch Johnson	5th Year

	ACADEMIC	MERIT
	ART	
	Leyla Kelleci	1st Year

	ACADEMIC	MERIT
	DEBATING	
	Megan Stone	1st Year

STUDENT OF THE YEAR AWARDS			
1st Year	Hannah Nahlik	5th Year	Leslin Vinod
2nd Year	Abhirami Santhoshkumar	6th Year	Eibhin Flanagan
3rd Year	Serena Zheng		

	BEST PERFORMANCE	MERIT
	PHYSICAL EDUCATION	
1st Year	Marcos Hidalgo Jamie Perry Callum O'Connor	Aisling Tapley Erik Riblovs Ben Kavanagh
2nd Year	Abhirami Santhoshkumar Eve O'Brien Harigovind Vinodkumar	Michelle Dolores Neo Davids Nzobe Lee Heapes
3rd Year	Adam Cahill Cian Doyle Nathan O'Shea Jamie Brack	Aaron Murphy Kyle Cox Moloney Robert Healy Lauren Cheevers
5th Year	Enda Douglas Conor Murphy	Eduard Cojocarua Adam Seong

	BEST PERFORMANCE	MERIT
	ATHLETICS	
Athlete of the Year	Callum McGrane	2nd Year

	BEST PERFORMANCE	MERIT
	BADMINTON	
Junior Boys	Vlad Condrea	3rd Year
Junior Girls	Reizienne Joy Samsin	1st Year
Senior Boys	Adam Bushe	5th Year

	BEST PERFORMANCE	MERIT
	BASKETBALL	
1st Year Boys	Malachy Blunden	1st Year
2nd Year Boys	Ryan Walsh	2nd Year
2nd Year Girls	Saskia Cepillo	2nd Year
Junior Boys	Shane Fabrero	3rd Year
Junior Girls	Lauren Cheevers	3rd Year

	BEST PERFORMANCE	MERIT
	GAELIC	
1st Year Boys	Jayden Farrell	1st Year
1st Year Girls	Ava Rose Byrne	1st Year
Junior Boys	Adam O'Toole	2nd Year
Junior Girls	Milly Swan	3rd Year
Senior Boys	Conor Murphy	5th Year

	BEST PERFORMANCE	MERIT
	HURLING	
Senior	Conor Pamuku	6th Year

	BEST PERFORMANCE	MERIT
	RUGBY	
1st Year GIRLS	Vica Catan	1st Year
1st Year Boys	Alexnader Machynia	1st Year
Junior Boys	Adam Cahill	3rd Year

	BEST PERFORMANCE	MERIT
	SOCCER	
1st Year Boys	Aaron Cleary	1st Year
U15 Girls	Ruby Rose	2nd Year
U15 Boys	Cian Doyle	3rd Year
U17 Girls	Aoife Mohan	3rd Year
U17 Boys	Aaron Murphy	3rd Year
U19 Boys	Finn Richardson	6th Year

	BEST PERFORMANCE	MERIT
	SPIKEBALL	
1st Year Girls	Hanna Nahlik	1st Year
1st Year Boys	Callum O'Connor	1st Year

	BEST PERFORMANCE	MERIT
	SPORTS PERSON OF THE YEAR	
Eve O'Brien	Soccer, Rugby & Gaelic Football	2nd Year

WELL DONE TO ALL

Christmas Concert

Well our Christmas concert this year showed off an absolute array of talent it has to be said. The dance moves were second to none. Angelic voices galore. The rigid rehearsal schedules clearly paid off. What a show! Our judges, Mr. Taylor, Ms. Marschner and Ms. A O'Neill showed us that they were taking it all very seriously.

The First years took to the stage with enthusiasm, confidence and even instruments. We had a late entry from a Fifth year group who gave us a very original version of Wonderwall. Second years wowed with dance moves and props and Third years took the crown back this year. Well done to Third year Newton who showed off their synchronised swimming moves and stole the show!! The standard was high throughout and everyone who participated should be so proud!

Woodbrook's Got Talent



Christmas Door Competition

There was tough competition this year to say the least. First years stayed until early evening time working on their doors to make sure they were ahead of the game! Tension was high and competition was fierce. First years reigned supreme this year with Twaine taking the crown for their giant Santa. A huge well done to all of the tutor classes involved. So much work went into each one and it was lovely walking down the corridors and seeing Christmas cheer everywhere. Who will take the crown next year?



Leaving speech from our Head Boy

EIBHIN FLANAGAN



I would like to say that it has been a privilege to be head boy for the 6th year group of 2020. Reflecting on my six years in St. Brendan's/ Woodbrook College, I am disappointed that we couldn't be ritually clapped out by our teachers and fellow students to send us off on our way.

But it is safe to say that we can all look back on our six years with fond memories.

From Bog Jumping and Cliff Diving on Achill Island, to roaming the streets of Las Ramblas full of coffee shops.

I would like to thank all of the teachers who were involved in making these trips possible along with other events and activities like the 4th year play that was one to remember. These teachers contributed to making school life much more fun and enjoyable.

Thank you to all of the teachers who have supported us in pursuing our goals and achievements, whether it was in sports

or academics and encouraged us to always do our best.

I'd like to wish everybody good luck on where they go next and I hope we can reunite again whether it's for our graduation or debs.

Tiofaidh ár lá go luath.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

REECE GRAY

– Charity Run and Swimming –



During his time off school due to COVID-19, Reece took part in the Dublin Neurological Institute 150km challenge to raise funds for this cause. Reece and his dad ran 75km each – 7.5km each, every evening for 10 nights. They completed this challenge on May 22nd.

Reece's competitive swimming is on hold because of COVID-19 but already this year he has some achievements. Reece's last gala in the NAC was on January 26th and he achieved 3 new PB's:

100M Freestyle	New PB 1.21.05	knocking 5 seconds off
100M Backcrawl	New PB 1.31.26	knocking 10 seconds off
50M Freestyle	New PB 35.50	knocking 6.75 seconds off

Well done Reece on all of your hard work!

ELLA MAREE

– Ireland U17's Soccer –



Last August, Ella was selected to play for Ireland's Under 17's away to Belgium for two games. She was away for 5 days. A great trip and experience for



Ella.
Well done!



COVID CORNER



What a very different school year this turned out to be! The excited shouts of the pupils on March 12th when they were told they were going to be home for the next nine days seems like a distant memory now. No one could have predicted what was going to happen. Pupils and parents sharing

laptops, overload of Google classroom, slow internet, not being allowed to leave our homes unless it was an emergency, not seeing family and friends, trying to do work (and correct work) online, all of these were challenges we had to overcome.

During all of this however, our pupils did

absolutely wonderful things. They practiced instruments, took up new activities, did exercise, ran for charity, baked and cooked, did fantastic artwork and more. We couldn't be prouder of what they have achieved during this tough time.

Well done everyone!



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