



EASTER FRIENDSHIP FRIDAY

Our Friendship Week back in October was so successful we decided to revisit it once more. So on the last day of term, before the Easter holidays we had an Easter Friendship Friday. Students took part in an Easter treasure hunt, rock climbing, art activities and a sponsored rock the boat event in aid of Down Syndrome Ireland.

The students displayed excellent team work and cooperation. Our very own Kelly sisters (and Ms Vipond) also treated us to some Irish dancing. We can't wait for next years Friendship week!



BEECH & OAK MAKE A BOOK

Writer Colm Keegan came in to the school to do some writing workshops with the second year classes, Beech and Oak. During the workshops the students wrote original poems about their lives. This helped them to create a book of poetry which was entered into the JCSP Make a Book exhibition.

A special thanks to Ms O'Gorman who recorded the students reading their poems and, with photos of the local area, made a film using the poems read by the students as a soundtrack.



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SPANISH TRIP TO THE MOVIES

The fifth and sixth year Spanish students went to the Irish Film Institute in Temple Bar to see the Spanish language film 'No'. The film focuses on Pinochet's dictatorship in Chile.

The students had researched the country and some of its national icons, like Victor Jara, as part of their course work. They found the film very interesting.

TRIP TO THE GAELTACHT

Back in March a group of students and teachers headed to the West of Ireland on a weekend trip to the Gaeltacht. The 22 students and 3 teachers went to Coláiste Uisce in Mayo. Over their three day trip they took part in many activities such as, hockey, archery, surfing, body boarding, pier jumping and ceílí dancing. All the activities were done through Irish and everyone had a great time.



NFTE & DUBLIN CITY ENTERPRISE AWARDS



Some of Coláiste Eoin's budding entrepreneurs exhibited their start up companies at the regional

finals in Croke Park. The students did a lot of work preparing their business plans and had to pitch their business ideas to a panel of judges who were all prominent members of the business community.

The projects were well received by the judges and the students received high praise for their efforts as well as good advice to bring their businesses forward. Congratulations to all who participated.



YOUTH CONNECT

On Tuesday 11th March there was a speaker in from Youth Connect to speak to the LCA classes, 5 Hogan and 6 Robinson about young people's rights in the work place. Both groups had recently gone



on work experience and got a lot of useful information about what they should expect when they are working.

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They were told about their rights to minimum wage,

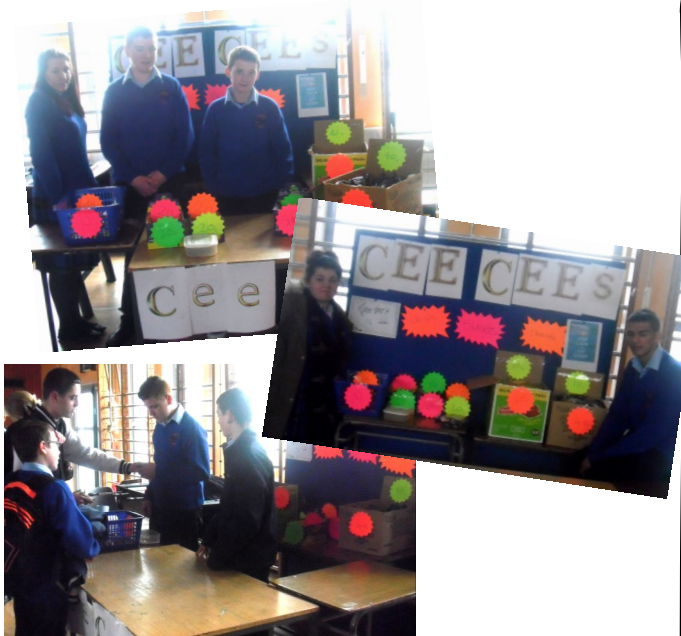
breaks and what to do if they are being treated unfairly in a job. Both groups asked questions and picked up tips about what they should do when they start looking for part or full time jobs after school.

Youth Connect think about the issues concerning students and young people and have designed a programme especially for them. It has been developed by the Irish Congress of Trade Unions in partnership with the Irish Second-Level Students' Union to inform students about their rights as students and workers.

LCA SHOP

As part of their Enterprise Task for VPG 5 Hogan had to open and run a business in school. The class decided to set up a sweet shop in school called Cee Cee's and they all invested money to buy their stock.

The shop was open every day in the hall at break and lunch time from Tuesday 19th March until Friday 22nd. They sold crisps, sweets, chocolates and lollies to the students and teachers. All the stock sold out and the business was a great success with everyone who invested making a profit.



STEP UP PROGRAMME

As part of the new Step Up programme introduced this year, some of our students are getting the opportunity to visit some interesting places. Their first visit was to Trinity College Science Gallery to see Oscillator, an exhibition which explores the physics behind motion and energy. The exhibits were all hands on and interactive and the students enjoyed finding out about oscillations that we come across in our everyday lives.

The staff at Trinity College were very helpful and explained some of the science behind electricity, economics, pulsars, brainwaves, tectonic plates, musical harmonies, pendulums, chemical reactions, algorithms, heart beats and feedback .

The students have also been to Glasnevin Cemetery and museum. They were given a guided tour of the cemetery and had the chance explore the museum. Recently they visited Blanchardstown fire station. They got to look around the station to see how it works and had the chance to get into a real fire engine.

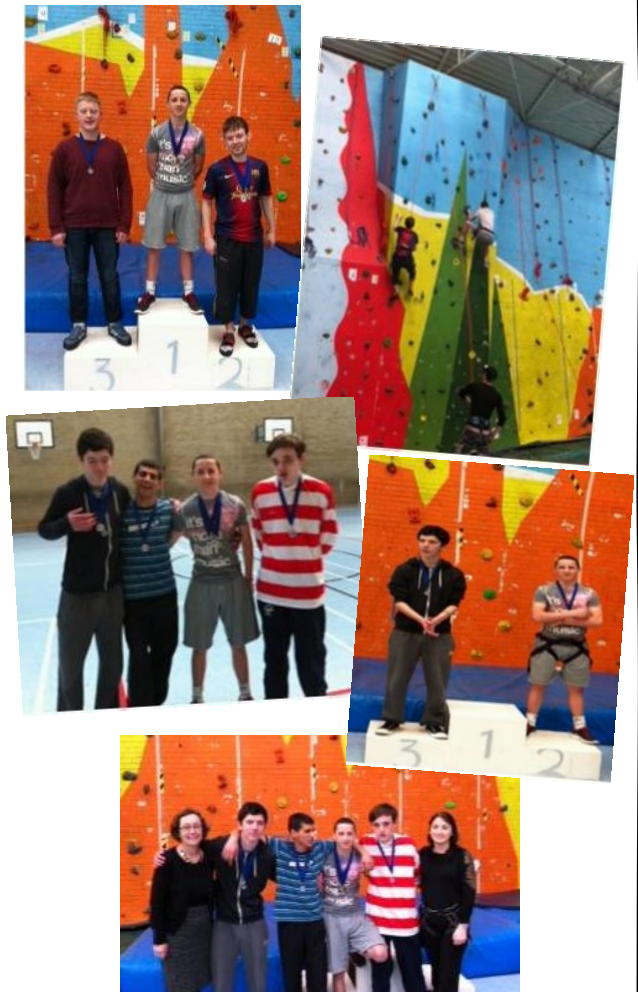


SPORTS

Congratulations to first year students Josh Byrne and Ciaran Kelly. They competed in the SCC Boxing Competition. Josh came 1st place and Ciaran was the runner up. We are very proud of this achievement, especially from our first years.



The senior school bouldering team did well in this years intermediate level competition. The team won the overall runners up prize. Daniel Thompson won the overall prize in the speed climb competition. Steven Lowry won the overall climbing challenge. Well done to all team members.



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