

SCOIL RUÁIN

Killenaule



U17 Munster Hurling Final Champions

On a wet and windy day on the 4G in Fethard Town Park, Scoil Ruain secured a momentous victory against a strong Mount Sion CBS side. Playing against a gale-force breeze in the first half, scoring chances were hard to come by for the Killenaule team. Mount Sion built up an early lead and left by 8 points to 2 early on.

However, Scoil Ruain were clinical in their attacking play. Andy Williams made a lung-bursting run and found the back of the net. Full forward Micael Kelly caused havoc on the square's edge and showed great strength and skill in scoring Scoil Ruain's second goal. Though Mount Sion could score points from long range, Scoil Ruain scored a crucial third goal when a Danny Shelly delivery was flicked to the back of the net by Owen O Dwyer. The Waterford side did manage to get a goal of their own. However, Scoil Ruain showed resilience in the final half minutes, with Charlie Barrett saving a 21-yard free. At half-time, Mount Sion led 1-11 to 3-02.

Scoil Ruain dominated the second half with the wind on their backs but struggled to capitalise on their opportunities. Initially, their attackers struggled to navigate the stormy conditions and hit several wides. The breakthrough came midway through the second half, with a Danny Shelly goal, which put Scoil Ruain in the lead. With Mount Sion now forced to attack, scoring opportunities became more frequent for Scoil Ruain. Points from captain Charlie Barrett and Cillian Direen put Scoil Ruain in control before the industrious Igor Miguel sealed the victory with an inspirational point from near the sideline.

Danny Cashin was rock solid in the goals while scoring opportunities for Mount Sion were kept to a minimum by a solid full-back line of Owen Fanning, Fred Perry and Pierce Vaughan. Shane Ryan commanded at centre-back while Darragh O Gorman worked tirelessly in the middle of the field. Darragh Heffernan and Rory Shelly battled hard throughout, while Cathal Lawrence never stopped running following his introduction. There were jubilant scenes at the final whistle, and Charlie Barrett accepted the cup on behalf of the Scoil Ruain team.



Kindness Week

Kindness week in Scoil Ruain

At Scoil Ruain, we take wellbeing very seriously.

So, for Kindness week (11th – 15th December) we did an array of different things such as: A no homework day on Wednesday the 13th, as well as all students trying to complete random acts of kindness throughout the week. Teachers were also given small gifts from students to show their appreciation for their teachers. Students and teachers alike brought in baubles, and for every bauble donated, €2 was donated to charity.

In 2024, we look forward to Wellbeing Week which we hope it will be as successful as it was this year.



ART COMPETITION WINNERS

WE WERE THRILLED TO ANNOUNCE EVE ROWAN AS THE RECIPIENT OF 1ST PRIZE FOR HER EXCEPTIONAL ARTWORK. ALSO, CONGRATS TO ERIN TOBIN AND ROSA POYNTE FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING ENTRIES. WELL DONE TO ALL THE PARTICIPANTS AND WINNERS OF THE SCOIL RUÁIN COMPETITION THE WINNERS OF THE PRIMARY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION ARE:
SASHA HOLUBIEVG-KILLENAULE
ELLIE MCGRATH -LISNAMROCK
ALICIA MAKUANA- KILLENAULE

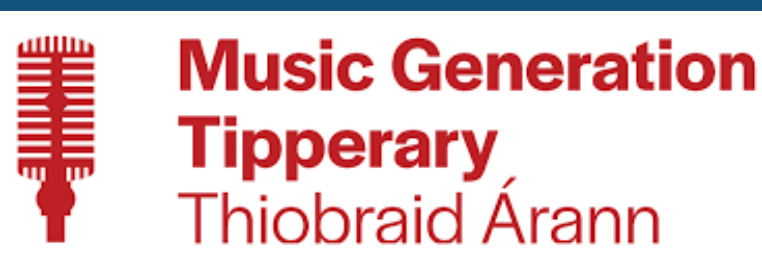




Scoil Ruáin's Christmas Concert Recap

On December 21st, Scoil Ruáin's Musicians and Choir gave a memorable performance at Killenaule. The talented students brought the school term to a close with a beautiful evening of music and song, spreading the festive cheer. In January, the choir will be rehearsing for the upcoming Tipperary ETB Talent show at the end of February. Our Music Junior Cycle and Leaving Certificate students will have their mock practical examinations, which will take priority in January. Congratulations once again to our Musicians and Choir for a successful Christmas concert!

Music Generation Tutoring Programme at Full Capacity
Our team of Music Generation tutors are currently at maximum capacity for the 2023-2024 academic year, providing instrumental lessons to both our own students and those from the surrounding community. Expect to hear some incredible music on Thursday evenings throughout the rest of the school year.



Camogie

Our senior team started their campaign against our neighbours Ballingarry. In challenging conditions both teams gave a great display and battled to the end. Unfortunately on the day we were narrowly defeated with a final score of 2:7 to 2:6.

Junior Camogie Team Triumphs and Advances to Munster Final

Our junior camogie team began their campaign with a resounding victory over Mungret Community College, thanks to the girls' hard work and dedication. The match ended with a scoreline of 4:8 to 4:3. The team continued their success with a dominant win over Nenagh College, securing their spot in the Munster Final. On January 13th, the team will compete for the championship in Ennis. Best of luck to all the players!

Junior Girls Soccer

Junior girls soccer: Our Junior girls soccer squad will start off the new year with their first competitive game of their season against St. Mary's Nenagh, away, on Tuesday January 18th.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL

Our Munster Junior football season ended after an unlucky year, losing out on a place in a Munster quarter-final against Rockwell. Our senior team still has a chance for glory as they have yet to compete in the Tipperary school's competition, which will begin in early 2024. The girls will resume training with Ms. O'Donnell and Ms. O'Mahoney every Thursday after school.

Senior Camogie Panel



Junior Camogie Team



Upcoming Events for January

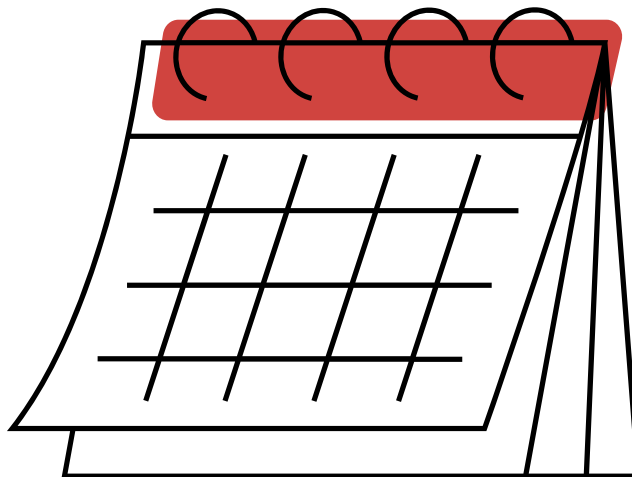
Third, Sixth and LCA students have pre-examinations starting Monday, 22nd January.
5th Year Parent Teacher Meeting Tuesday 30th January

Junior Camogie Final Saturday 13th January
Senior Football County Final on Friday 12th January
Music Practicals
Film Making Workshop
Phoenix Gym Strength and Conditioning for TYs

First and Second Year Basketball games
Junior Soccer
Sixth Year trip to MIC
LCA Careers Day in CMCO

School Tours

Second Year School trip to Barcelona
Transition Year and Fifth Year trip to Paris
A variety of Field Trips and Class trips will take place from February onwards.



BASKETBALL UPDATE

OUR BASKETBALL CAMPAIGNS ARE IN FULL SWING! EXCITING THINGS ARE HAPPENING ON THE COURT THIS SEASON. OUR FIRST AND SECOND-YEAR GIRLS ARE PLAYING FOR THE FIRST TIME AND DOING GREAT! MEANWHILE, THE U19 BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM REACHED THE SEMI-FINALS, BUT UNFORTUNATELY, THEY WERE BEATEN BY COLAISTE ABHAINN RI.



PE Department Update

Celebrating the Hard Work of our Second-Year Students.

We congratulate our second-year students for completing their sequences in gymnastics.

Scoil Ruain students are off the Gaeltacht in An Rinn!

The following students have been successful in their application to win a scholarship at the Gaeltacht in Waterford. Lucy Pollard, (5th year) Cara Conway (2nd year) and Ben Stapleton (2nd year) will be spending two weeks next summer in An Rinn. The school was very excited to offer these scholarships, each worth over €1000.

This will hugely benefit the students understanding and appreciation for the Irish language and culture and will be an experience they will reflect on for years to come.



English Update from TY students:

Lately, in TY English, we have been doing film studies. At first, we studied camera angles and shots, costumes, music, props, facial expressions, lighting, etc. For a more in-depth study, we watched The Truman Show, and we analysed some scenes of the film and some of the characters.

Another task we are currently undertaking is re-organizing the library and decorating it. We are excited to visit our new library and discover some of the new books.

Meanwhile, Junior cycle students have been exploring a wide range of texts from films to novels - 'Merchant of Venice' (play), 'The Outsiders' (novel), 'Hunt for the Wilderpeople' (film) etc. In preparation for the exams.

Finally, the 6th-year students are looking forward to their trip to see Shakespeare's 'Hamlet' in Cork in March, which will be a fantastic opportunity to revise and prepare for their exams.



Highlighting Transition Year Success

We extend our warmest congratulations to the amazing Transition Year students who took part in the High School Musical concert. The show became the standout event of the first term, and proved to be an important stepping stone in building our students' self-assurance by encouraging them to step outside of their comfort zones. The concert's success is due to the hard work of everyone involved, and we would like to give a special thanks to the teachers who worked tirelessly to make it a truly magical experience.

Care Packages and Cupcakes for our local elderly



Update on Recent TY Activities

Here's a rundown of what our TY students have been up to lately:

- From 6th to 10th November, they completed work experience and spent a week working at a place of their choice. This allowed them to discover their interests in the work world.
- On the 13th of December, some TY students went to Gortnahoe to assist by serving food and drinks to the elderly. All much appreciated their volunteer work.
- On the 20th of December, TY students made care packages and cupcakes for the local citizens. #community



Home Economics

Junior Cycle

First year students enjoyed learning life skills including cooking and presenting healthy and nutritious meals and snacks. They also compared convenience baking products to homemade products in terms of price, appearance and taste.

Second year students continue learning essential life skills, including basic hand sewing and embellishment to create fabulous upcycled Christmas jumpers



Leaving Certificate

Transition Year students baked, decorated, packaged and delivered Christmas theme cupcakes and care packages to numerous local households in Killenaule as part of their Home Economics module.

Additionally, students participated in a sustainability module to create new products and/or improve the nutritional value of existing products using fair trade produce. Pictured below: Students were entrepreneurial, creating new chocolate pizzas while others replicated a vanilla and chocolate cake but decreased the sugar content by 30% to improve its nutritional value.

Geography Update

The Leaving Certificate Geography class carried out their Geographical Investigation on the 24th of October in Liscannor Bay, Co. Clare. The journey kicked off at 7am for the sixteen students accompanied by Ms. Boland and Ms. Kennedy. They were welcomed in Lahinch by blue skies and dry conditions which made it much easier to carry out all tasks and it also meant the rain gear was left on the bus! They based themselves at three different locations, Creg Beach, Lahinch promenade and Liscannor where they carried out the activities for completing their report. They measured cliff height, carried out beach material analysis, observed wave characteristics and compared historical maps to the current coastline's state, tying it altogether to tell the story of the dominant processes on the coastline. It was a very successful trip, and everyone enjoyed their day out, especially since there was an obligatory stop at Supermacs on route home. Now for the fun part, writing the report worth 20%!!



One of the first tasks our first years were asked to do this year in their Geography classes was to create a model of the Structure of the Earth using a styrofoam ball. The creativity that the students demonstrated was impressive and they enjoyed producing these so much that they requested designing more 3D models throughout the year. They are now on display in room 15 for all to admire

