



HILL TOP NEWS



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A Newsletter from St John's Business & Enterprise College

Cross Border Leadership Award for St John's students

Six pupils from St John's Business & Enterprise College recently received their Youth Sport Leadership Award at a presentation ceremony in The Carlton Hotel Belleek. The programme is managed by Mr Ryan Cunningham, a past pupil of St John's.



Pictured at the awards ceremony are Mr B Mc Carron Mary Mc Gowan, Shane Knox, Sonnie Mc Donagh, Michael Sheridan, Emma Smyth, Shaun Purcell Sligo VEC and Barry Mulholland Chief executive WELB. Missing from the photo is Leona Bradley

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SCHOOL CLOSINGS

Easter Holidays

Thursday 5th April -

Friday 13th April



St Patrick's Celebrations

Year 8s recently staged a re-telling of the 'St. Patrick' story. Tomas Hunter took on the central role of St. Patrick to great acclaim. Prayers were read out by numerous members of Year 8, and the performance was attended by pupils in Years' 8-10. The school choir provided a beautiful range of supporting music.



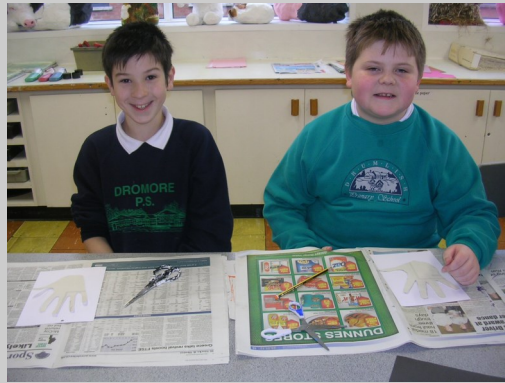
SHAUNA HAS THE WORLD AT HER FEET!

Congratulations to Shauna Dillon in Year 8 who placed 2nd in the Fairy Reel at the World Irish Team Dancing Competition. She also placed 6th in the Eight Hand. The competition took place in the City West Hotel in Dublin on Tuesday 3rd April 2012. Below, Shauna proudly displays her medals.



SHARING EDUCATION

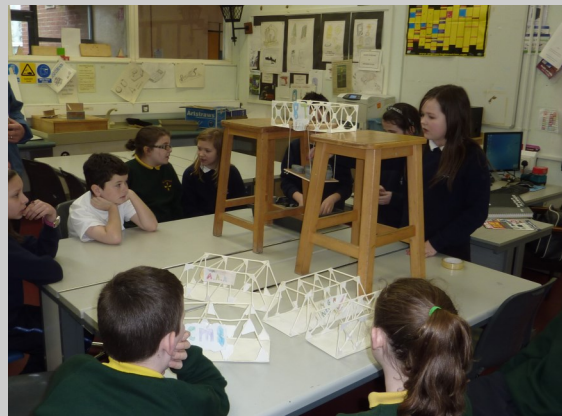
St John's College has received 'Good Relations' funding from Omagh District Council in 2012 to continue the Sharing Education Programme that had been running in the school for many years. Children from Primaries 5, 6, and 7 at Dromore Primary, Drumlish Primary, St Dymphna's and St Macartan's attend weekly Technology and Design, Art and Design and PE sessions in St John's College. As you can see from the photos below everyone really enjoyed the experience.



Pupils from Drumlish Primary and Dromore Primary work together on their Self-Identity projects in Art and Design and Design and Technology



Pupils from
St Dymphna's PS and St Macartan's PS making
clay hands in Art and Design with
Ms Angeline Beattie



Pupils building and testing their bridges in
Design & Technology with Mr Aidan Logue

DROMORE PLAYGROUP EASTER EGG FUN DAY

On Monday 2nd April children from Dromore Playgroup were treated to a fun day organised by Mr Joe Ball and students from St John's. The day's activities included Face Painting, Egg and Spoon race, Easter egg hunt and making buns in the Home Economics Department.





Key Stage 3 Awards in St. John's

On February 14th a number of our Key Stage 3 students were presented with either a Gold, Silver or Bronze award acknowledging their positive behaviour over the term.



Year 10 Gold, Silver and Bronze Recipients (missing Andrea Gallen)



Year 10 Gold, Silver and Bronze Recipients (missing Ciara Sheridan)



Year 10 Gold, Silver and Bronze Recipients



The KS3 Gold Recipients (missing Andrea Gallen) whose names were put into a hat for a prize of £10 won by Andrea Gallen Year 10

YEAR 8 STUDENTS VISIT LOUGH DERG

On 22nd February 2012 our Year 8 students went to Lough Derg. For some of the students it was their first time to experience it. Despite the cold and wet weather all the students and staff had a very enjoyable day.



YEAR 9 STUDENTS RESIDENTIAL TO BUNDORAN

A cross border trip was organised for Year 9 students on Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd March with students meeting up with students from Ballinode College Sligo. The students stayed in the Holyrood Hotel Bundoran and during the trip went surfing and bowling, and had a trip to the cinema.



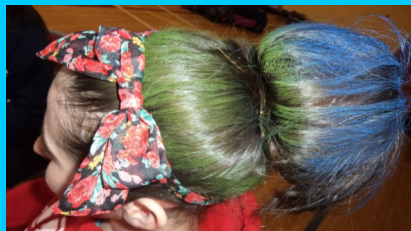
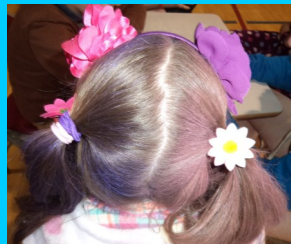
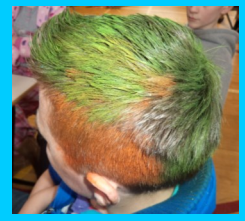
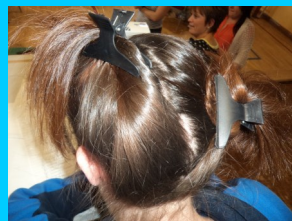
Mad Hair & Pyjamas Day

On Friday 16th March the pupils from St John's celebrated Mad Hair & Pyjamas Day. It was a first for the school and the money raised was collected for Trocaire.

A selection of the Mad Hairs



Best Effort Pyjamas was won by
Kelly McNabb, Conor McGurran
& Fiona Muldoon!



The LET Programme 2011-2012

This year another 10 pupils from Year 9 took part in the LET Programme. The group consisted of five boys and five girls. The boys were Dawid Nowak, Blake Palmer, Ross Hunter, Ronan Slevin and Stephen McBride. The girls were Malise McKenna, Emma McDonnell, Paige Watts, Caiomhe McGrade and Ellen McGowan. The pupils had an absolutely fantastic time, taking part in many enterprise tasks and outdoor activities. Pupils were involved in kayaking, archery and off-road driving. They made great friends with the children from the other schools and many tears were shed when leaving. During the Gala Dinner two pupils from St John's were voted King and Queen, Ellen McGowan and Ronan Slevin. Dawid Nowak received the Best Effort award and all pupils received certificates for participating so well. All ten pupils should be very proud of themselves for the great effort they made.



Gardener's World

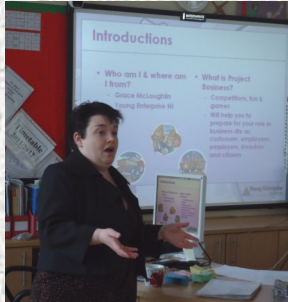
The gardeners at St John's led by Veronica Mc Canney are beginning to see the rewards of all the hard work put into the garden and around the school last year. With last week's glorious sunshine the daffodils, crocuses and hyacinths are all in bloom.



Year 10 Project Business Day with Young Enterprise



On the 18th of February, Grace from Young Enterprise presented the Business Project to Year 10



Grace
The link tutor



The beaded bracelets made and sold for shares by the Year 10s



Laura and Demi presenting their reports to the class



The Team who made the most money for their sales.

Eoghan, Tiernan, Damien, Cathal & Shannon



The Team with the best solution to a consumer problem.

Andrea, Lauren, Ryan & Shane



Teams hard at work producing the product for sale



The Best Team at resolving a Society Issue very effectively.

Leona, Sinead, Michaela & Cathy

YEAR 8 STUDENTS MAKE EASTER BONNETS AND FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS



St. Patrick's Day Annual Quiz

On Friday 16th March the pupils celebrated Mad Hair Pyjamas Day with our annual St. Patrick's Day quiz for the whole school. All the pupils got on great and worked very well. Each team had a representative from 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th Year. A brilliant afternoon was had by all!



The winning Team!!



The quizmaster (Mr Nelson)
and his team of counters!!

