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4th Year Tour— The 4th Years enjoyed their annual tour to Delphi from Friday 27th March to Sunday 29th March. The students participated in many outdoor activities including surfing, kayaking, and abseiling. There were 10 students on the tour and they had an excellent time. Thanks to Mr Irwin for organising the tour.



A view Of Our New Classrooms at Coola

Greenschools

We were delighted recently to have Robin Barry from Greenschools Projects spend the day giving presentations to all first, second and third year students. We are now ready to start the second stage of our project with special emphasis being placed on the conservation of energy during everyday school life. Switch off lights if they are not being used.

BOTHAR CHARITY CLIMB

On Friday April 3rd, all our 4th Years and Transition year students are embarking on what is a very enjoyable day out, climbing Croagh Patrick for the charity Bothar. We hope the final total raised will exceed €1500 . This will enable Bothar to purchase and transport animals to the Third World where they will provide an income for impoverished families. Our LCA students also raised €225 from their Soup lunch held in school. Thanks to everyone who supported us.



Coola Post-Primary School

Easter Newsletter

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TRANSITION YEAR SKI TRIP



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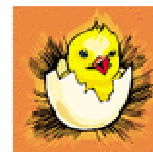
Transition Year Ski Tour 2009

On the 8th of February, our Transition Year students accompanied by Ms McCaul, Ms Davey and Mr Irwin ,set off on our highly anticipated transition year school tour - skiing in the Italian Dolomites. They all had a fantastic time and were awarded Certificates of Excellence in the various skiing techniques at the end of the week long trip.



Seamus Heaney Delights Students

In December 2008 the students of 201 wrote erudite two-three page letters to the Nobel Prize winning poet Seamus Heaney. Each student quoted and referred to three favourite poems they had studied under the tuition of their teacher, Ms Acheson. To their delight Mr Heaney replied enclosing signed copies of his poems Mid Term Break and A Drink of Water commenting that their work was admirable and so thoroughly prepared and so clearly written. The class was thrilled with Mr Heaney's remarks and pleased that their hard work had gleaned such high praise



A WORD FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Our second term has been a busy and productive one. Most of the Mock results are back now and hopefully they will motivate exam students to work hard for the remainder of the year. LCVP and Transition Year students have completed successful weeks on work experience which will help them with career choices in the future.

The Transition years had a very successful skiing trip in Italy and I would like to compliment them on their excellent behaviour while on tour. A special word of thanks to Ms Mc Caul, Ms Davey and Mr Irwin who accompanied the students.

We had a record turnout of

students enrolling for September 09 with 87 pupils waiting to join our school next year. A huge thanks to parents, students and staff who helped out on both days of enrolment. As everyone knows by now, the Parents Association has launched their fundraiser to build a student dining facility for our school. I want to thank them for taking on this project and I hope everyone will give them the support they deserve. Plans are underway for a concert in CastleDargan which is being organized by Mr Rooney and the Parents Association. Again I would urge everyone associated with the school to support this fundraiser for the school dining facility. The 2nd



Years had a very successful retreat recently and I would like to thank Mr Ryan for all the effort he put into organising all the student's retreats this year.

Finally, I hope that our exam students have a successful final term with Irish and French orals and practical exams.

Happy Easter to everyone and enjoy the break.

Our Irish Quiz Team Success

Congratulations to Ms Tighe and her quiz team who reached the All Ireland Final in the Feachtas Competition which took place in Dublin on March 7th . The team scored 52 points out of a maximum of 60, which was the third highest score. The team members were Tomas O'Reilly, Shauna Kelly, Seamus Flynn and Aine Mc Donagh.

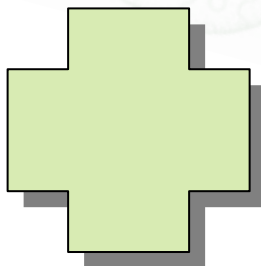


REFLECTION—

Good Friday is called so not because Christ died on the cross, but because in dying on the cross he gives us all the opportunity to be forgiving, helpful

and kind to one and other and live a good life.

Happy Easter to all!



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD APPEAL

We would like to thank everyone who supported our St Vincent de Paul food appeal. In all 14 hampers of food and we also filled over 20 shoe boxes with toys for the children of Sligo.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Easter Holidays

School closes Friday

April 3rd school closes and opens Monday April 20th.

May 4th - Bank Holiday

May 6th - LCVP Writ-

ten Exam

May 7th and 8th -

Engineering Exams

May 11th - Metalwork Exams

May 12th - Junior Cert

Art Exam

May 14th - Construction

Studies Exam

TY Graduation - May 17th

Summer Tests - May 26th onwards



Student Council 2008/2009

The following students were elected to our school council: Keith Mullen, Nicola McGoldrick, Grainne McLoughlin ,Ian White, Danielle O'Connell ,Ryan Mohan,Shane Kelly ,Christopher Mc Kenna ,Elaine Tuohy ,Sally O'Brien ,Shane Leonard ,Karen Mc Menaman.

TY students interviewed Mr and Mrs Acheson and Ms Field about life during WWII and the 1950s, students learned about how times have changed! Ms Field spoke of her father's involvement in the navy and Rudolph Acheson discussed leaving Ireland to find work in England in 1950s.

Everybody involved enjoyed the discussion. And a Sincere thanks to Mr and Mrs Acheson and to Ms Field.

Our school council has represented the student body in many initiatives this school year, this included discussions and suggestions on how to promote environmental issues and, in particular, the Student Council have played an integral part in supporting our Green-schools campaign.