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**AUTUMN TERM - Issue 27** 

**NOVEMBER 2023** 

Huge congratulations to Cúán Ó Meachair & Rosie Woulahan of 12<sup>4</sup> who entered and won the One World Festival 2023 Youth Creative Competition with their poem entitled 'Saving Earth'. The poem was written by Rosie and animated by Cúán.

The competition theme was 'Health of Our World: the impacts of climate change on the world's poorest communities.'

As the winners, they are invited to the One World Festival flagship event 'Health of Our World' to share their piece and receive their prize

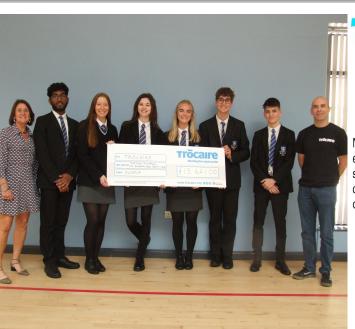


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£13,621 raised by OLSPCK
By supporting Trócaire during Lent we helped people like
Nasteha and her family to rebuild their lives after
disaster and tragedy.

Nasteha (age 8) now lives in an emergency shelter with her parents and seven siblings. The family lost their crops, livestock and their home because of the drought.

Thank you to students, tutors and staff for all your efforts!



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PARENT SKI TRIP INFORMATION

Parent ski trip information evening is on Tuesday 14th November at 7pm. Altitude will be in attendance if anyone would like to hire ski wear.

Mrs C Hughes

### **AUTUMN Term - Issue 27**

# SAFER **Make EVERY Day** A Safer Internet Day! Download the Safer Schools NI App today.

### **Downloading your App**

If you are using an iOS device, go to the Apple App Store and search 'Safer Schools NI'. If you are using an Android device, go to the Google Play Store and search 'Safer Schools NI'.

Select 'Download'.





When you have opened the App, you should input your email address and password that you used to create your account. Once you're ready, click 'Loa In'.

When you log in, you will see your chosen school(s) that you have added to your account. Simply click the school that you would like to view!



Please follow the below instructions

### Creating An Account:

If you haven't already, please create an account by clicking 'Parent/Carer' on the login screen of your

### Step 2

To create an account, click 'Register here' and input your full name, email and password you wish to use. You'll also be asked to confirm your password. Once you're ready, click 'Register' and this will create your

### Step 3

After you register, you will be asked to read and agree to the Terms and Conditions. After reading and scrolling to the bottom, the 'I agree' button will be available to select.

### Step 4

Time to pick your school! To add your school, simply type it in within the search bar and click 'Continue'.

You will then be asked to input the Entry Code that you have received from your school that is relevant to your role. Type in your code and click 'Submit'.

You'll be asked to confirm this by clicking 'Continue'. To scan a QR Code instead of your Entry Code, click 'Scan QR Code'.

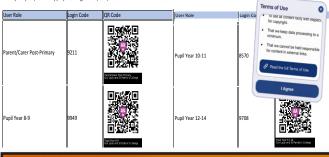






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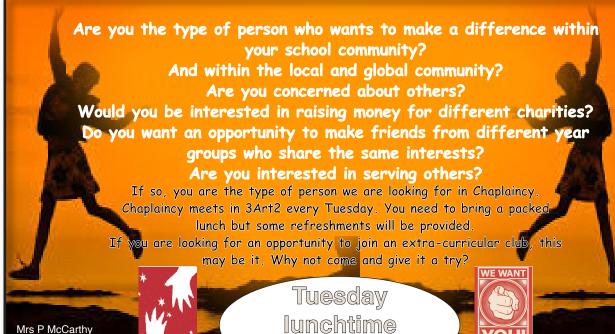






**Top Tip:** Did you know that your App features Multi-School Login? This means that you are a Staff member in one school with a child in another, or if you are a Parent/Carer of children in different schools, you have access to multiple schools without having to log in and out of the App.

To add another School, simply repeat Step 3! You can also



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# **OLSPCK Senior Prefects: Leaders of the future!**

Eighty six Year 14 students completed their Senior Prefect Training on 12th September. When asked what leadership meant to them, they created the word cloud above which neatly summarises the key aspects of their role and demonstrates their future leadership potential. We wish them well in their work this year.

Mrs Knight (Head of Upper School)

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### **ENGLISH DEPARTMENT CALENDAR 2023-24**

	EVENTS	WHAT TEACHER DO I TALK TO?
October	Book Week NI	Mrs Corcoran (librarian), Mrs
		Magee and all KS3 English teachers
	Yr 9 in-class debate	Yr 9 English teachers
	Yr 12 Film Club (every Wednesday after school from end of October)	Miss O'Hagan
November	Yr 9 in-class debate	Yr 9 English teachers
	Yrs 8-13 Fighting Words, Creative Writing Competition – on the theme of Happiness	Dr. Carlin
	Yr 13 Edward Thomas Essay Writing Competition	Dr. Carlin
December	Yr 10 Poetry Award	Yr 10 English teachers
January	Junior Film Buffs (from January onwards)	Dr. Carlin
February	Yr 13 Trip to the Heaney HomePlace, Bellaghy	Dr. Carlin
March	World Book Day – Reading Week	KS3 English teachers
	World Book Day Quiz	Mrs Davey/Yr 8 English teachers
April	Scholastic Book Fair	Mrs Corcoran/KS3 English teachers
May	Trocaire Poetry Competition	Dr. Carlin
June	OLSPELL (Yr 8)	Mrs Magee/Yr 8 English teachers

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### CAREERS DEPARTME



**Year 14 Students - UCAS** 

The internal school deadline for the completion of UCAS applications is the week beginning Monday 6th November 2023. Students are currently working on personal statements and conducting thorough research into the courses and universities they intend applying to. Students must pay for their own

application using a credit card. Do not worry, this will not send your application off to UCAS directly - the school will do that. We strongly advise students to complete this process as soon as possible. The sooner the application forms are completed; the sooner students will begin receiving offers from universities. Any student who is having problems choosing a course can still request an interview with their Careers teacher. There are numerous Open Days and University Fairs taking place over the next few weeks. Students should continually check their e-mails regarding these events. We are currently looking at ways to provide mock interviews for students who require an interview as part of the application process. We are always in need of volunteers to help with mock interviews, in particular, areas of healthcare such as: Medicine, Dentistry, Nursing and Physiotherapy. If you feel you could be of help, please contact Mr Davey.

### **Higher Apprenticeships.**

Higher Apprenticeships are becoming increasing popular for Year 14 students, looking for an alternative to university. They will provide students with the opportunity to earn while they study. On successful completion, students will obtain a university degree or an equivalent qualification, without the debt associated with university and in most cases, a guaranteed job. The range of Higher Apprenticeships is increasing each year, covering areas such as IT, Finance, Engineering and Science. A number of popular Higher Apprenticeship programmes are now open for application. For more information and how to apply use the links below:

### Careers Service NI

https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/higher-levelapprenticeships

### Kainos (Earn As You Learn)

Application closes: TBC

https://www.kainos.com/careers/kainos-academy

### **Deloitte (Bright Start)**

Deloitte Careers Website - BS Programme Application Process Link

https://www2.deloitte.com/global/en/careers/jobsearch.html

# **PWC (Flying Start Programme)**

https://www.pwc.co.uk/careers/student-careers/schoolcareers.html

### **Almac**

https://www.almacgroup.com/careers/students-

# **Various Higher Apprenticeships**

Work+ https://www.workplus.app/

## **Year 13 Students - Work Experience**

Year 13 Work Shadowing has been planned to occur from 10th - 14th June or 17th - 21st June 2024. We will be in contact with parents in January regarding these arrangements. Other work shadowing events may occur outside of these dates for students in Year 13 and 14. If you wish to avail of any additional opportunities, virtual or face-to-face, you

must contact Mr Davey and collect the necessary consent and insurance forms. There are numerous virtual work experience events occurring and some of these will be emailed out to students. Students must regularly check their school email accounts for these opportunities.

To access an array of Virtual Work Experiences, I recommend that all students in Years 13 -14 register with an organisation called Speakers for Schools.

### https://www.speakersforschools.org/

Unfortunately, there are still a few restrictions in place regarding work shadowing, in particular healthcare related careers but we hope these will ease soon. A lack of work experience may make it more difficult for students to decide on a career path therefore, independent research is more important than ever. Students who are still unsure about a career path should speak to their Careers teacher to assess their skills and qualities, interests and strengths. There are numerous websites listed in the Careers booklet that may help.

Throughout the year, Queen's University Belfast and Ulster University will be hosting various Student/Parent Information events. These may be a combination of virtual or face-to-face. Links to these events can be found below

### **Queen's University Belfast**

https://www.qub.ac.uk/Study/Undergraduate/events/

## **Ulster University**

https://www.ulster.ac.uk/study/undergraduate

There will be a range of similar events from a wide variety of universities. Students need to check their school e-mail, MS Teams and Careers notice board regularly for any additional events.

### **Year 12 students - Careers Interviews**

During this important transition year, students will continue to be informed by their Careers teacher on the most up-to-date careers and labour market information. All students will receive an individual careers interview with our DE Careers Advisors, Brenda McKeown. It is vital that students conduct thorough careers research before their interview. After this interview has been completed, parents/quardians will receive a letter highlighting what was discussed and an agreed action

Mr J Davey - Head of CEIAG







# Friday 17th November

# **Important Dates**

### **Tracker Assessments**

Completion of Tracker Assessment 1 - Years 9 and 10

Friday 24th November Completion of Tracker Assessment 2 - Years 11 and 13

**Monday 27th November** Completion of Tracker Assessment 2 - Year 14

Friday 15 December Completion of Tracker Assessment 2 - Years 8 and 12

# SEAG Assessment

11th November 2023 25th November 2023



# Winter 2023 GCSE Examinations

**Monday 13th November** GCSE DA Science - Biology Unit 1 9.30am - 10.30am

**Tuesday 14th November** GCSE DA Science - Chemistry Unit 1 9.30am - 10.30am

**Wednesday 15th November** GCSE DA Science - Physics Unit 1 9.30am - 10.30am

Friday 17th November GCSE English Language - Unit 1 9.30am - 11.15am

**Monday 20th November** GCSE English Language - Unit 4 9.30am - 11.15am

**Tuesday 21st November** GCSE Mathematics - Unit 3/4 9.30am - 11.30am

**Thursday 23rd November** GCSE Mathematics - Unit 8 - Non-Calc 9.30am - 10.45am

GCSE Mathematics - Unit 8 - Calc 11.00am to 12.15pm

**Examinations start at 9.30am SHARP.** 

**Results issued:** 

**Thursday 1st February 2024** 

Unfortunately, we cannot issue results by email or telephone.

# **DOUBLE AWARD BIOLOGY**

Revision classes for the Unit 1 Biology (Exam - 13th November)

Monday 23rd October 3.35 - 4.30 in S10 Wednesday 8th November 3.35 - 4.30 in S10

Students should bring their revision packs to these sessions

Miss McCluskey and Miss Laverty



Junior Student Council

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Tierna Farley

Cara Bradley

**Nathan Shawe** 

Aislinn Wilson

# Student Council 2023 - 2024

Congratulations to all students who have been appointed.

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Reg	Studer	nt Council		
8.1	James Hanna	Dhaveena Velumani		
8.2	Elizabeth Adekunle	Thanav Kartikrajan		
8.3	Sai Akshaj Gurram	Theo Burgess-Lundy		
8.4	Daniel Curry	Olivia McKeown		
8.5	Conal Corsar	Joseph Quinn		
8.6	Emma Hodkinson	Hridhaan Salian		
8.7	Cillian Clarke	Freja Spence		
9.1	Eoghan Dynes	Olivia McConville		
9.2	Vriteikaa Daas	Irede Popoola		
9.3	Finn Green	Aoibhin McConville		
9.4	Conor Harkin	Oisin O'Kane		
9.5	Vishishta Dandu	Tharun Gopinath		
9.6	Lisa Herbison	Arjav Jain		
9.7	Ben Dale	Rosie Orr		
9.8	Darragh Conway	Sinead O'Neill		
10.1	Isabella McAuley	Kane McGuigan		
10.2	Phoebe McBurney	Irwin Sunny		
10.3	Cara Holland	Conor Masterson		
10.4	Dominic Dienes	Aarush Gajwelly		
10.5	Peter Finnegan	Hannah Hewitt		
10.6	Gracie Fitzmaurice	Mollie McCloy		
10.7	Aleine Donnelly	Ollie Fegan-Heaney		
10.8	Grace Harkin	Casper Spence		
11.1	Ishaan Joshi	Erin Tunney		
11.2	Anna Glynn	Erin Scully		
11.3	Cara McCullough	Anna Stevenson		
11.4	Zack McQuillan	Eabha-Marie Watson		
11.5	Abbie McCann	Ryan Porter		
11.6	Daniel Lomami	Ciara O'Connor		
11.7	James Quinn	Bradan MacNamara		
12.1	Conor Flanagan	Eoin O'Connor		
12.2	Cian Murray	Erin Weir		
12.3	Clara Dynes	Eabha Murray		
12.4	Casey Bell	Cúán Ó Meachair		
12.5	Eoghan Fitzsimmons	Ciara Murray		
12.6	Evie Healy	Michael Keegan		
12.7	Kathryn Dickson	Tiffany Dienes		
13.1	Lucy O'Sullivan	Roshan Soy		
13.2	Patrick McCabe	Sweety Sinny		
13.3	Deborah Faulkner	Ronan Kelly		
13.4	Eimear Crozier	Olivia Eastwood		
13.5	Genevieve McCollum	Joseph Lavery		
13.6	Imogen Bonner	Tomas Murphy		
13.7	Ben Joseph	Finn McCormack		
14.1	Emma McCormick	Gavin Murphy		
14.2	James Farrell	Rory McCabe		
14.3	Drew Abcede	Aidan McCann		
14.4	Elizabeth McQuillan	Sarah Nicoletti		
14.5	Callum Campbell	Luke Collins		
14.5	Tierre Ferley	Nother Charry		



**Junior Student Council** 



Senior Student Council



**Upper Student Council** 



# Student Voice 2023 - 2024

Congratulations to all students who have been appointed



	Monday 13	Meeting 2 Junior Student Council	Junior Lunch	3Hi3	
	November 2023	Meeting 2 Senior Student Council	Senior Lunch	3Gg4	
		Meeting 2 Upper Student Council	Senior Lunch	3Hi1	
	Wednesday 15	Meeting 2 College Student Council	3.30-4.30pm	Boardroom	
	November 2023				
32	Monday 11	Meeting 3 Junior Student Council	Junior Lunch	3Hi3	
	December 2023	Meeting 3 Senior Student Council	Senior Lunch	3Gg4	
		Meeting 3 Upper Student Council	Senior Lunch	3Hi1	
	Wednesday 13	Meeting 3 College Student Council	3.30-4.30pm	Boardroom	
	December 2023				
	Monday 5 February	Meeting 4 Junior Student Council	Junior Lunch	3Hi3	
	2023	Meeting 4 Senior Student Council	Senior Lunch	3Gg4	
		Meeting 4 Upper Student Council	Senior Lunch	3Hi1	
	Wednesday 21	Meeting 4 College Student Council	3.30-4.30pm	Boardroom	
	February 2023				
1	Monday 11 March	Meeting 5 Junior Student Council	Junior Lunch	3Hi3	
	2023	Meeting 5 Senior Student Council	Senior Lunch	3Gg4	
		Meeting 5 Upper Student Council	Senior Lunch	3Hi1	
	Wednesday 13	Meeting 5 College Student Council	3.30-4.30pm	Boardroom	
	March 2023				
	25 March 2023	FOTW – Student Voice 2	9.30-9.40am	Tutor Rooms	
	TBC	Meeting 6 College Student Council	3.30-4.30pm	Boardroom	



Timetable for remaining Junior/Senior/Upper Student Council Meetings and Whole -School Student Council Meetings 2023 - 2024

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**EXTRACURRICULAR CALENDAR 2023-2024** 

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
BREAKTIME				
Folk Group: 3Mu2 Geography Club (Year 8-10): 3Gg1	<ul> <li>Audio- Video Broadcast Club Drama Room</li> <li>Kaleidoscope (Year 8-10), 1Sci12</li> </ul>		Year 11 Singers 3Mu1	
JUNIOR LUNCH- Period 7				
Year 8 Choir 3Mu2 Lego Club 1Sci12	<ul> <li>Junior Orchestra 3Mu1</li> <li>Junior Chaplaincy (Year 8-10) 3Art2</li> <li>First Lego League Club (Year 10)         Systems 1</li> <li>Junior Apprentice (Years 8-10)         beginning in November 3Bs2</li> <li>Junior Justice Group (Year 8-10)         3Gg3</li> <li>Lego Club 1Sci12.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Senior String Ensemble 3Mu3</li> <li>Year 8 Rock Band 3Mu2</li> <li>Lego Club 1Sci12.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Junior Traditional Group 3Mu3</li> <li>Lego Club 1Sci12.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Junior Choir 3Mu2</li> <li>Lego Club 1Sci12.</li> </ul>
SENIOR LUNCH- Period 8				
Senior Ukulele Club 3Mu1 Senior Clarinet ensemble. Group room 1	<ul> <li>Senior Chaplaincy (Years 13 &amp; 14)</li> <li>Senior Choir 3Mu3</li> <li>Samba Group</li> <li>Duke of Edinburgh Award S10</li> <li>Debate Society 3Hi4</li> </ul>	• Flute Ensemble 3Mu3	Year 13 singers 3Mu2	<ul><li>GSA 3Mu2</li><li>Young Enterprise Year 13 3Gg1</li></ul>
AFTERSCHOOL				_
Drama Club Year 8, Drama Room, 3:30 – 4:30 Bar Mock Trial (Upper School), 3:35 – 4.30 Senior Bands	<ul> <li>School Musical Rehearsals, Drama Room, Lecture and College Hall 3:35 – 5:30</li> <li>Cheerleading club 3:40-4:30</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>First Lego League Club (Year 10)         Systems 1, 3:35 – 4:30</li> <li>Code Club (Years 8-9) 3IT1,         3:35-4:30</li> <li>Senior film club 2En1, 3:30-4:30</li> <li>Equality Justice Society (Y11-14)         3Hi3, 3.35-4.30</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>School Musical Rehearsals,         Drama Room, Lecture and         College Hall, 3:30 – 5:30</li> <li>History Society 3Hi4,         3:35 – 4:30</li> <li>Duke of Edinburgh Award S10,         3.35-5.45</li> </ul>	Dungeons and Dragons, Drama Room, 3:30 5:00

