



## From our Parent's Association



Parents send their best wishes to all exam students. We are proud of you and confidence of your success.

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 7pm** Final parents association meeting of the academic year – All Welcome  
**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May 10 am** Parents and students Environmental leadership event. We will adopt some streets close to school for a litter clean up.

## Dates for Your Diary

Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	All 1 <sup>st</sup> Years are expected to return English, Irish, Mathematics, Music, and foreign language textbooks.
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	School Sports day. PE uniform required.
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Africa Day Celebration in Friary Youth Centre 5.30pm
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	Community Leadership Clean Up – Parents and Students 10am to midday
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	School photographer. All students to be present in correct uniform (not PE)
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	Graduation for 6th Years at 7 pm
Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup> Year Graduation 11.30 am
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Term ends

## Your Student's Attendance

As we approach the end of the summer term, school will be required to make reports and submit data to TUSLA on student attendance. All guardians are advised to have all explanations for absences recorded in the Student Journal. The summer report will detail the attendance record and a copy will be filed in all student files.



## Continued term and academic work

Summer exams are over. We are back to regular teaching. Please ensure a normal learning routine for all class groups.

Please note the following messages were sent to all 3<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Year parents / guardians:

Parents of 3rd Year students, I remind all that the school year does not finish earlier than 2nd June. All students, including 3rd Years, are required to be present every day. You are required to ensure your student is present for the next 2 weeks. Regards Thomas Sharkey

Parents and Guardians of 6th Year students, I remind all that the school year does not finish earlier than 2nd June. All students, including 6th Years, are required to be present every day, from 8.50 to 3.50 and without intervals. You are required to ensure your student is present for the next 2 weeks. Regards Thomas Sharkey

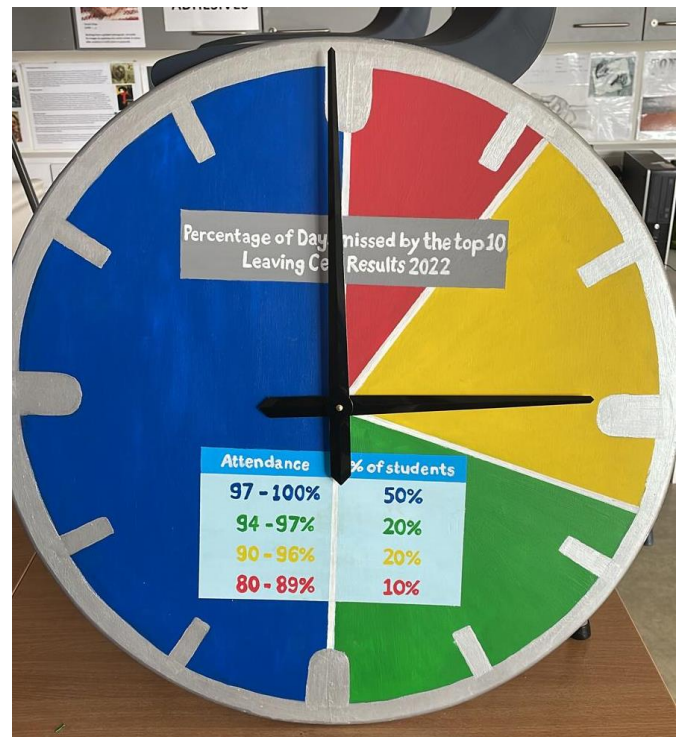
Reports: School reports will be posted on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

## Looking At Our School LAOS

Collaborative professional practice is a key aspect of SSE. All subject departments should create exemplar answer sheets and marking schemes for summer exams.

Our school is a leader in data rich decision making.

The next step is to display our self-evaluation across the school. Thank you to wood, art, and maths practitioners for their creative collaboration.



## Ukrainian Parents Tea/Coffee Morning

There will be an opportunity for parents of children from Ukraine who are attending our school to meet one another and share experiences and ask questions. There will be tea/coffee and a selection of cakes; as well as the chance to get together in a relaxed and friendly setting, introducing yourselves to each other, have a chat about how your child is supported and maybe make some new friends along the way.

Here are the details of the coffee morning:

Date: 22nd May 2023.

Time: 10am-11am.

Where: Coláiste Chú Chulainn (Triple Room). We look forward to seeing you there.

Шановні батьки / опікуни,

Я з радістю хочу запросити вас на наш Кавовий Ранок. Це є можливість для батьків дітей з України, які відвідують нашу школу, зустрітися один з одним, поділитися досвідом і поспілкуватися.

Тут буде чай, кава та різноманітні тістечка. Також буде можливість зібратися разом у спокійній та дружній обстановці, познайомитися один з одним, поспілкуватися про те, як ми підтримуємо вашу дитину, і, можливо, завести нових друзів.

Деталі:

Дата: 22-го травня 2023

Час: 10-11 ранку

Місце: Coláiste Chú Chulainn (Triple Room)

Ми з нетерпінням чекаємо вас тут,

## Louth 2023 Africa Day

It is Africa Day celebration in Louth. There is an awareness day in Dundalk. You can learn more about African culture from guest speakers. On the 25th of May from 5:30pm in Friary Youth Hall, Anne St., Dundalk, there will be an Award Ceremony to celebrate all the arduous work and contributions to the African Community of County Louth.





## Italy Trip 2023



On Monday 8th May, 24 enthusiastic 4th and 5th year Home Economics, Art, and History students from Coláiste Chúlainn set off on a culinary and cultural educational trip to Sorrento, Italy aided by Ms Andrea Duffy, Ms Natasha Kelly, and Mr Matthew Duffy.



Despite the unseasonal weather, the group explored the Amalfi coast drive and visited the island of Capri taking in all the culture, art, and sites on offer.

Everyone enjoyed Gelato Making at Gelateria David. The students experienced a private lesson and learned all about the preparation of the famous Italian gelato, which included the tasting of many different flavours.

On Wednesday, a visit to the crater of Mount Vesuvius was on the cards. The only active volcano in the mainland of Europe. Following this, the group explored the vast archaeological site of Pompeii in southern Italy's Campania region. Once a thriving and sophisticated Roman city, Pompeii was buried in metres of ash and pumice after the catastrophic eruption of Mt. Vesuvius in 79 A.D. The site featured excavated ruins that all students explored in detail. The group also participated in a Pizza Making Experience at Farm La Sorgente. Fresh Napoleon pizza was made by all to enjoy. Students learned the art of making fresh mozzarella used in many of the local dishes. After a fun filled week, everyone returned safely to Dundalk, ready to complete their summer assessments.







## Music Department

Third- and sixth-year music class performance showcase was held on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May at lunchtime in the music room. Students performed some wonderful music for the JC/LC practical's and produced the idea of doing an acoustic showcase of some of the music and songs they performed. All tutors, year heads and music students/choir members were invited to attend and get a taste of what the state examinations entail for music students. All students performed incredibly well, and it was a thoroughly enjoyable experience for all involved.



## Transition Politics & History students present their Railway Project



Transition Year students have been working on a cross curricular project in conjunction with the Old Dundalk Society (ODS) on The Great Northern Railway (GNR). Over the past six months the students have conducted numerous stages of research from document analysis, museum visits, interviews to collections of testimonies.

On Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May the final presentation was displayed in the Louth County Museum. Politics & Society and History students have looked at the historical, political, and social impacts surrounding the GNR and

Dundalk. Engineering and DCG students have researched the engineering, construction, and infrastructure of the line itself.

The presentation consisted of testimonies from key figures of the Railway Heritage Society and past workers of the GNR along with 3D Mappings, timelines, and visual displays. A great night was had by all, we are so proud of our TY students and the work that they have done! Coláiste Chú Chulainn will be the site for the mural of the 172 Slieve Donard Steam Engine as part of Seek Dundalk's Urban Arts Festival 2023.





Students involved: Mueez Bashir, Valerie Semenyuk, Chloe Crosby, Saoirse Hearty, Laura Amushan, Aima Azhar, Jack Kearns, Conall McCaffrey, Joan Duran, Hugo De La Mata, and Rafael Dias. Project coordinated by Ms Máire Byrne, Production by Mr Colin Noonan, research assisted by Mr Ciaran Guinan, Mr Calum Fearon, Mr Peter Corrigan & Mr Ryan Duffy. A huge thanks to Ms Patricia Whelan (ODS) and Dundalk's Railway Heritage Society for facilitating and assisting in the creation of the project.

## Leinster Athletics Finals 2023



Coláiste Chú Chulainn took silver in the Leinster Junior Boys 4 x 100 metres relay, beating Belvedere College on the line. Well done Fikayo Oluajo, Goodluck Kamgba, Nelson Akubuko and Tishe Abuede.

Jonathan Gibson took silver in the Leinster pole vault today. 2.7 metres, the same height as the winner but missed the count back. A new personal best.

There were other great performances from our students. Cara Miele came fifth in both Junior Girls Triple Jump and a Personal Best in the High Jump.

Sucess Joshua with a Personal Best in the Junior Boys Triple. Fikayo finished fourth in the Minor Boys 100 metres in 12.5 seconds. All great performances. Well done and congratulations to all.

