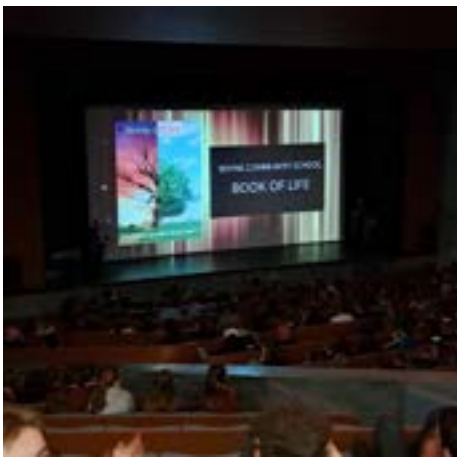


# Transition Year Newsletter



## Rubbish Film Festival Awards

Congratulations to class Croiúil for winning the Oscar for Best Cinematic Display from the 81 entries submitted in the Rubbish Film Festival Competition! Transition Year students attended the awards ceremony in the Solstice where they viewed all the films created by schools in Meath. The films our TYs produced looked great on the big screen. The theme of each film was climate change which links in with our school's new Green flag.



## Student Enterprise Competition

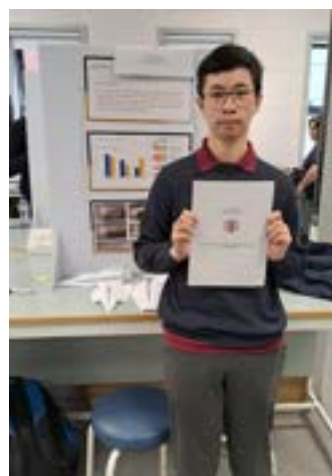
Well done to our TY students who were highly commended in the Student Enterprise Competition that MacDara, Max, Mia and Tara attended. They represented the school with distinction and Tara received multiple compliments from judges and spectators for her artwork. The judges disclosed that Tara was in serious consideration for an award but narrowly missed out.



# SciFest@College – Intel Technology Winners!



Congratulations to Katie Devine, Aaron Kearney and Tara Redmond who won the Intel Technology Award for their self-watering plant pot at SciFest!! Well done to all our TY students who presented their projects in the Regional Round in DCU. All projects were judged a minimum of three times and the judges were really impressed with the high standard of work produced by all our students.



## Anyone for Strawberries?

TY students were busy in Horticulture planting strawberries in our Polytunnel. We made sure that we left at least 50cm between the plants, and left about 1.3 metres in between the rows. This gives our strawberries enough room to grow and sprawl. We hope that these strawberries will be ripe and ready by the end of May.



## Butlers Chocolate Factory

The Transition Year students enjoyed a great trip to Butlers Chocolate Factory in Dublin. The students got the opportunity to learn the history of Butlers Chocolate factory, see how the chocolate is produced daily and decorate their own chocolate elephant.



## Meath County Council Deliver Trim Air Quality Community Project

This session addressed sources of air pollution, specifically fine particles (PM2.5), and how it is linked to carbon dioxide and climate change (focusing on transport). Students were organised into groups of five and built air pollution sensors in groups for around thirty minutes. This included a screen, battery pack, wires, computer boards and two sensors.

Students were able to test the sensors in their classrooms, they took their sensors around the school for 30 minutes to measure different areas, to see what CO2 and PM2.5 are like indoors and outdoors. They recorded the levels in different locations. When we returned, we discussed the different levels they observed and what might have caused them to be higher or lower.



## Hair & Beauty Workshop



# Transition Year Graduation



Congratulations to all our transition year students on their graduation which took place on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May. The graduation ceremony was a celebration of all that the transition years achieved throughout the year. The vast amount of awards that were presented is a reflection of the great work undertaken by all students. Management and staff of Boyne Community School are very proud of our transition year students and wish them all the best in 5<sup>th</sup> year and other years to come.



Congratulations to all our award winners:

Student of the Year: Macdara Ó'Raghallaigh

Prosper Making a Difference Award: Mia Dargan

Academic Excellence: Donnacha Farry

Academic Excellence: Macdara Ó'Raghallaigh

Meas, Mortas, Muintearas: Tara Redmond

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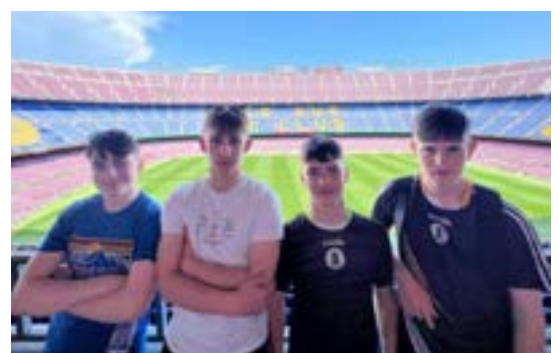


## Barcelona Trip

Transition Year students got off to a great start on their end of year tour to Barcelona. They enjoyed a sightseeing tour where they got to see La Sagrada Familia, Barcelona Cathedral and a statue of Christopher Columbus at the bottom of Las Ramblas. The tour also included a drive along the waterfront, a stop at a viewing point at Montjuic and a walk through the old city.



Our transition year students visited the Spotify Camp Nou Stadium in Barcelona on day 2 of their tour. They really enjoyed seeing the different parts of the stadium and all the trophies in the museum.



Day 3 was a fun filled day at the theme park. Even the rain couldn't ruin a great day at Port Aventura!



TYs visited the spectacularly beautiful monk mountain retreat in Montserrat. The natural beauty surrounding the mountain was breathtaking. Students took the funicular de Sant Joan to the top of the mountain where they then enjoyed a panoramic view of the Montserrat area. Afterwards, they visited the CosmoCaixa Science Museum.



Students presented Mr McAndrew with a jersey from Nou Camp to mark the end of a brilliant year. They are incredibly grateful for all the hard work he has put into the Transition Year Programme. The end of the tour to Barcelona marks the end of the TY year. Best of luck to all our TY students in the future.

