

Maria Immaculata Community College

Newsletter 2019/2020

Welcome to our first digital newsletter produced in the strangest of times for us all. It has been a very eventful year for the MICC school community and I would like to take this opportunity to thank every single member who has played their part in maintaining learning and teaching right up to the end of the school year.

Outside of Covid-19 we have had a remarkable year. Back in October we had our Whole School Evaluation which commended our care structures as being comprehensive and of a very high quality. This is something we pride ourselves on. The quality of teaching and learning was deemed to be very good overall. This is a great endorsement for the work being done by all staff members to provide the best educational experience for our students.

I hope this summer brings us all a chance to emerge from restrictions in a safe manner. We will return in the next academic year with a lot of positives from the experience. Until then stay safe.

Niall Murphy
Principal.

Below: We had another exciting **Maths Week** in MICC this year. Students had fun each day applying their Maths knowledge to solve problems and puzzles. Some of the winners are pictured below. Well done to staff and students who got involved and gave their brain cells a good workout!

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Principal

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Junior Cycle Results 2019

This group of MICC students began their Junior Cycle journey in August 2016. More than 3 years later, on the 4th October 2019 the Junior Cycle results were issued and MICC students celebrated their fantastic achievements. Congratulations and well done to our students, their families, and staff for supporting each other. A special mention to Leona who achieved the highest Junior Cycle result in MICC in 2019. Well done Leona.

A Profile of Achievement was also presented to each student.



EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES IN MICC

It is all about participation in MICC. We would like to commend the dedicated trainers and students who represented MICC in Football, Soccer, Bowling and Athletics during the 2019/2020 season.



Above: MICC 1st year Soccer & Futsal Team.

Below first row: First Year Athletics Team and Boys U15 Soccer Team. Second row: Junior Ladies Football Team and U14 Boys Football Team. Third row: First Year Bowling Awards.



Variety Show 2019

The Annual Variety Show took place on the 17th & 18th December 2019. The atmosphere was fantastic again this year with over 20 acts raising the roof each night. The talent was superb and included solo and group singers, music, dancing, acting and storytelling. Thank you to all involved for the wonderful entertainment. Pictures from Top: Trad Band, TY Music Group and Junior Choir.



An array of theatrical talent was on display this year with **Transition Year** students performing “Hair Spray”, “The Robbery” and “The Proposal” at the Variety Show. Fantastic performances from all involved.



Above: Senior Choir performing at The Variety Concert.

Community Spirit

Dunmanway Town has an energetic Community Spirit and we endeavour to reflect and nurture this in school life.

Top row from left: Rang Fiachra TY made Shoebox Donations for Team Hope Ireland & Toiletry Hampers for Cork Penny Dinners in Religion class.

Rang Fionn TY Religion students presented Food Hampers to the Dunmanway St. Vincent De Paul Conference on behalf of the MICC school community.

Middle row from left: A donation was made to “Dunmanway Christmas Dinner” from the proceeds of The Variety Show.

The MICC Folk Group perform at many community occasions including community services and fundraisers. Pictured here at the 2019 Dunmanway Community Christmas Carol Service .

Bottom row: Our school community raised the flag and wore bright colours to support the “Come in and Stand up” campaign.



First Year Awards

MICC prides itself in offering extensive opportunities that facilitate the development of our students both in and out of the classroom setting. In August 2019 we welcomed a new group of First Year students. As you can see from the following pictures, they quickly found their feet, embraced new challenges, and shone brightly in the process. Congratulations to all the First Year students who participated with enthusiasm this year.



First Year Attendance Awards 2019



First Year Gold Word Millionaire Award



First Year Silver Word Millionaire



Kindness, consideration, and a feeling of belonging are encouraged in MICC.

Our annual **Friendship Week** reminds us of these important qualities. Each year students demonstrate their creativity during Friendship Week, highlighting what it means for them.

Above: Here are some of the 2019 winners.

Junior Cycle Activities



First Year students were very busy learning new skills in creative ways this year. Left: Making pancakes in Home Economics class.

Below left: Building volcanos in Geography class and performing a piece of drama created by Rang Eamon in English class.



Second Year Geography students visited Trinity College and The Epic Museum of Migration.



Third year English students travelled to The Everyman Theatre, Cork to watch a performance of the Merchant of Venice. Two of our students even joined the cast on stage during the performance.

Senior Cycle Activities

Transition Year Students engage in a wide range of activities each year, including MINI COMPANY.

Below: One TY group created BAM Cups and won Best Display at The West Cork Local Enterprise Competition. Well done.





Above: Three more **Transition Year** groups displaying their Mini Company ideas.

Left, right and below: **TY** students enjoying all the activities on offer in Kilfinane Outdoor Education and Training Centre.



Below first row: The **TY** experience continued in Italy where they developed their skiing skills on the slopes of Lavarone Ski Resort.

Second row from left: **Transition Year** Home Economics students attending “The Live Life Well” Conference for students in Skibbereen. Right: Presentation of “Safe Food For Life” Certificates to the TY Home Economics class of 2019.





Left-TY students attending Online Safety Peer-to-Peer Training Workshop with TrendMicro. Right: TY students attending The AXA Roadsafe Roadshow.



Fifth Year students had many opportunities to prepare for their future.

Top row from left: Students enjoyed a “Day in The Life” presentation discussing careers with staff from Carbery. On another visit Carbery staff discussed interview techniques with students. Many thanks to Carbery Group for their continued support.

Bottom row from left: A group of TY & 5th Year students participated in the Model UN Conference in City Hall. Centre: LCVP students went on an informative tour of Brookpark Business Centre. Right: Best of Luck to students Nathan & Finbarr who decided to develop their new business from the centre. These activities will benefit students as they develop essential skills for adult life.



Below: **Sixth Year Biology Students** on a field trip to Fota.



Below: **The Leaving Certificate Class of 2020** demonstrated extraordinary resilience and strength of character this year.

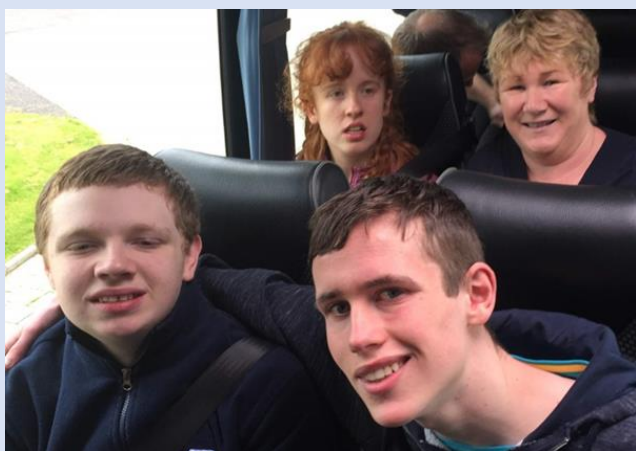


Rang Sinead & Rang Sean

This year Rang Sinead & Rang Sean had another busy timetable filled with a wide range of interesting subject areas.

Below left: Heading off on an adventure and on the right getting ready for Science class.

Well done to everyone for all their hard work. Congratulations and best wishes to Thomas, Rachel and Stephen who graduated in May.



We thank all the students who are moving on for their incredible contribution to school life. We wish them health, happiness, success, and the courage to embrace the future.

Leaving Certificate Results 2019

Congratulations to the leaving Certificate class of 2019 on receiving their impressive results. Continued best wishes to all of you. A special mention to Kieran O'Farrell on achieving the top results in MICC 2019, pictured here with Mr Murphy, Principal and Ms Collins, Career Guidance Teacher .



Awards

Below left: Nick Hilliard and Michael Nyhan qualified to compete in the Cork Area of the ETTA's Young Engineer's Competition in October 2019. Michael's engineering project won the Cork County Competition on the night. Pictured here with Mr Forbes, Engineering teacher.

Right: Well done to Aidan, Jacinta, Kieran & David who all received recognition for their Leaving Certificate results and their contribution to MICC at The Annual Cork ETB Awards. Kieran and David are pictured here with Mr Murphy.



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