



Coláiste Mhuire Co-Ed.



'CMCO NEWS'

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CMCO Choir win AIMS Choral Festival Choir Competition



On May 20th, the Coláiste Mhuire Co-Ed. choir competed in the senior chorus section at the *AIMS Choral Festival* in New Ross for the first time in their history and fought off some strong competition to claim first place. They performed 'Bless the Lord' and 'My Shot' and were accompanied by guitarists Kayleigh Cronin and Telmo Gonzalez and Ms Geaney on the cajon. Well done to soloists Ben Nolan, Keelan Fahey, Jude Ryan, Heber Nesbitt, John Shaw, Cormac Leahy and Sarah Ryan who performed exceptionally. Congrats also to Ms Helen Wallace (Musical Director), Ms Eimear Lowth and Ms Caoimhe Geaney who rehearsed diligently during and after school with this dedicated group of students. #cmcochoirabú

Photo shows the CMCO Choir celebrating their 1st place success after being presented the Connie Tantrum trophy by AIMS National President Rob Donnelly

Ministerial Visit to CMCO

On May 6th, our school community warmly welcomed Minister for Education, Norma Foley TD to our school where she received a guided tour from Student Council members Meagan Byrne and Odhráin Donaghy, thus seeing first hand the innovation, creativity, art and culinary skills of our students. #successthroughtheffort #cmcoagobair #excellenceineducation



F1 in Schools Success

Coláiste Mhuire Co-Ed. are extremely proud of our CMCO Racing team after their incredible achievements in the Formula 1 in Schools All-Ireland finals recently. The team won the Innovation Award, placed 2nd in the verbal presentation and were joint 3rd in the knockout round of racing. Congrats also to their mentor Ms Pollard on winning the STEM Educator of Excellence award.



Photo L-R: Amy Ryan, Róisín Ryan, Katie McCarthy, Ms Anita Pollard, Darragh O'Grady, Bill Aherne & Nathan Killane

Message from Mr Quinn, Principal

Welcome to our Summer newsletter. I am delighted to report that after a slow start to the year due to Covid 19, Coláiste Mhuire Co-Ed. students finished the year with County, Munster and all Ireland wins in sport, creative writing, poetry aloud, choir, formula one and app design. We were fortunate to be one of the few schools to produce a school musical this year, and we will actually have the distinction of producing two school musicals in the one calendar year with 'Beauty and the Beast' scheduled for October 20th and 21st in the Dome. As always, community is what makes the difference in CMCO and we thank everyone who supported our production of 'Aladdin'. I wish to thank our students, parents, Parents Association, B.O.M. and the wider community for their continued support for our students. We wish our Leaving Certificate students every success in their exams - may their hopes and dreams come true. Finally, I would like to wish our school community a lovely summer.



Denis Quinn, Principal

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Winning CMCO captains (L-R): Michael Keogh (u17 County Hurling), Cathal O'Reilly (u15 Munster Hurling), Darragh Patterson (u14 County Gaelic Football) & Paddy Kennedy (u16.5 Munster Hurling)



u16.5 Munster Hurling Champions



Junior Camogie Team



4 x 100m Relay Champions



u14 Soccer Team



1st & 2nd year girls who competed in the Tipperary ETB Multi Sports blitz recently



Left - 2nd year girls Basketball team who narrowly lost the Midlands semi final.

Recent CMCO Sports highlights...lots to celebrate this year!

STEM Passport

Congratulations to our senior students who graduated with the STEM Passport for Inclusion from Maynooth University in MTU Tralee with a 5 credit module QQI Level 6 module worth 50 CAO points. Special thanks to their mentor Ms Bergin. Promoting #GirlsInStem #congrats #cmcoagobair



CMCO Kindness

Photo shows CMCO 5LCA Enterprise students proudly presenting a cheque of €514.27 to members of Thurles Rehab Resource Centre. Under the guidance of their teacher Ms Molumby, the students organised four different enterprises - a cake sale, jumble sale, soccer tournament and car wash, and kindly donated all proceeds to Thurles Rehab Resource Centre. CMCO school community also raised much needed funds and resources for SVP Thurles and for the people of Ukraine this year #care #kindness #community #equality #cmcoagobair



Best Wishes to the Class of 2022

CMCO staff, students & whole school community wish our Class of 2022 good health, happiness and the very best of luck in whatever paths you pursue after the Leaving Cert. & Leaving Cert. Applied Exams



Message from the CMCO Parents Association

We would like to wish the Class of 2022 all the very best as they go on to pastures new. Don't be a stranger to the school, come back and say hello! We would also like to thank Denis, Clare & all the Staff for a great school year. Special mention to Úna, Joan, Tommy, Ricky, Triona & the canteen staff - your work is very much appreciated.

Also, a huge thank you to everyone that has helped us when asked at events throughout the school year, including the school show, clothing collection or match day car parking - we really appreciate all your help. And finally, we wish the Coláiste Mhuire Co-Ed. school community an enjoyable and safe Summer with your families and we look forward to seeing you in the new school year.

Frank Nolan (Chairperson) & Lisa McCarthy (Secretary)



Deputy Principal's Address

Our school was involved in a pilot programme with DCU on ethos. As part of the project, we conducted a review of our practices in 6 core areas and this informed our School Improvement Plan. Special thanks to TYTV for producing an excellent video as part of the project. More information is available at <https://www.cmco.ie/ethos/>



I want to wish all our students, parents, staff and the wider CMCO community a happy and safe Summer holiday. Thank you for all your kindness and support during this past academic year. It has surely been another test of all of our resilience, but we have come out stronger than ever.

'Ar scáth a chéile a mhaireann na daoine' - I am ever grateful to be part of such a respectful, caring community which holds excellence in education and equality at its core. Take good care till we all meet again in September. **Clare Wallace, Deputy Principal**



Student Enterprise Success

Thanks to Tina Mulhearn, Tipperary Enterprise Board who presented students with their certificates and One4All vouchers for winning in the Junior & Intermediate categories in the Student Enterprise Programme County Final. Some LCA students had businesses in the senior category also. Well done to all students involved. Ms Bergin and Ms Molumby are looking forward to encouraging more entrepreneurial skills next year!



Success at the BD STEM Stars Final



CMCO 2nd year Coding students Jack Mulhall Maher, Ian Fogarty & Adam Phelan savoured success with their diabetes health app called *'My AppBetes'* in the **BD STEM Stars Final** in Limerick recently. A very special thank you to Computer Science teacher Ms Molumby for her guidance and support **#welldone #rathassaothar #excellenceineducation #cmcoagobair #STEM #innovation**

Poetry Aloud

Congratulations to 1st year student Lewie Cavanagh on reaching the finals of the **Poetry Aloud** competition this year. Well done Lewie!



Congrats also to the 2022 **Bookopoly Stars** - Aimee, Abbey, Jason, Owen, Tomas and James.

And finally, well done to the CMCO English Dept. for running a variety of creative and exciting initiatives promoting reading, poetry, story telling and literacy throughout the year. **#excellence #cmcoagobair**

School Musical 'Aladdin'

Congrats to the very talented cast, crew and production team (Ms Wallace, Ms Geaney & Ms Lowth) of this year's school musical *'Aladdin'*. There was a tremendous sense of joy and excitement throughout the whole school community as we showcased the best of talent to delighted audiences in the Dome on March 10th & 11th. Well done to all involved and a special thank you to everyone who kindly volunteered their time and expertise when called upon to lend a hand. Thanks also to Thurles Community Panto Society, CMCO Parents Association and Star Systems. Congrats to Bill O'Dwyer on receiving the **Spirit of the Musical Award** for his performance as 'Iago'. CMCO is looking forward to entertaining the wider community with their musical production of *'Beauty and the Beast'* this October.





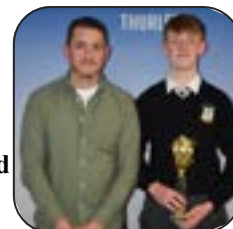
Awards Night 2022

On May 26th, fear an tí Mr J.P. Butler & bean an tí Ms Patricia Hickey presented a most memorable evening in TUS Thurles, where the successes and achievements of our school and students in both non-sporting and sporting fields received acknowledgment. Huge credit goes to the teachers in Coláiste Mhuire Co-Ed. whose time, guidance and commitment with our students has resulted in success at local, county & national levels in many areas this academic year. A special thank you to Ms Purtill & her team for organising another wonderful awards ceremony. *Comhghairdeas do chuile dhuine a bhuaiigh graham ar an oíche.* #rathassaothar #successthrougheffort #cmcoagobair #etbcorevalues



Annual Awards

- Principal's Award Eoin Craddock
- TUS Tipperary Language Alva Nuvoloni
- Engineer of the Year Killian Hayes, Enda Wickham
- Construction Studies (LC)..... Seán Britton
- Wood Technology (JC) Rory Quinn
- Gaeilge Award..... Chloe Leahy & Alesha Bourke
- JCSP All 3rd Year Students
- Junior Music Sarah Ryan
- Senior Music Kayleigh Cronin
- Spirit of the Musical Bill O'Dwyer
- Senior Art Róisín Connolly
- Junior Art..... Jessica Webster & Niamh Igoe
- Best Leaving Cert 2021 Will Ryan
- Best LCA 2021 Charlie Yates
- Coding Ian Fogarty
- Programming..... Erin Connolly & Daniels Sekis
- Ethos Award Alva Nuvoloni & Kayleigh Cronin
- Science Aaron Cummins
- Perfect Attendance Award..... Shayna Carroll & Kevin Quinn Howard
- Reader of the Year..... Grace Maher
- Creative Writer of the Year..... Annie Donnelly
- Entrepreneurial Spirit Award ... Tommy O'Dwyer & Harry Butler



Certificates were also presented to the Energy Wellbeing, STEM Passport for Girls, Gaisce, Student Enterprise, BD STEM Stars, F1 in Schools, Poetry Aloud, Bookopoly and SORA participants.

Student of the Year Awards

- 1st Year Annie Donnelly
- 2nd Year Caoimhe Troy
- 3rd Year Lily Defoe
- TY Suzie Ryan
- International TY Telmo Gonzalez
- 5th Year Ethan Butler
- 5th Year LCA..... Amy Fennessy & Conor McCormack
- 6th Year Odhráin Donaghy
- 6th Year LCA..... Jack Ryan



Sports Awards

- Junior Hurling Cathal O'Reilly
- Junior Football..... Cillian Doran
- Senior Hurling Odhráin Donaghy
- Senior Football Eoin Craddock
- Junior Rugby Will Quinn
- Ladies Soccer Sarah Ryan
- Camogie..... Chloe Collins
- Junior Soccer..... Tony Maher
- Senior Soccer..... Eoin Craddock
- Basketball Girls..... Molly Wade Rice
- Basketball Boys..... Ryan Fahey
- Senior Athlete Aзуolas Varnele
- Athlete of the Year Dylan Cotter



Members of the winning Munster u15 Hurling, Munster u16.5 Hurling, County u17 Hurling & County u14 Gaelic Football teams were presented with their medals by Phil Purcell (sponsor of GAA Jerseys) and Ms Emma Carey presented medals to our C.C. and T & F winning athletes. A special award was presented by Fr Joe Walsh to first year student Meagan Byrne in acknowledgement of her spearheading the Ukraine Appeal fundraiser in CMCO.

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