



Borrisokane Community College

# The Borris Bugle

This school year has been a very busy and successful one for Borrisokane Community College. In this special end of year issue of the Bugle we will be looking back at all the highlights and accomplishments achieved by the students and staff in our school!





## Sporting Achievements

This year has brought much fame and success to our BCC girls. For both the junior and senior teams it has been truly unforgettable. Both teams started the year off on good terms winning two matches each to secure them places in the Junior and Senior Munster Semi-Finals. Our Senior team were victorious and headed to the Munster Final where they had a great win against Next for this bunch of girls was a heart-breaking All Ireland-Semi loss to St Patricks of Keady in extra time. The Borris side never gave up and showed a great sense of heart and pride in their jerseys, but, extra time proved to be too much as the Northern team pulled ahead just in time for the final whistle to blow. Despite this loss, the Senior team still had a Munster Medal to be proud of and for many of the sixth year girls on the team it would be their last year playing with the school team so they can be proud of what they have achieved. For our Junior team, the girls had a great semi final win and This brought them to a Munster Final where they overcame St Marys High school, Middleton. From this win the girls qualified for an All Ireland semi-final. Many of the Junior girls had played in the Senior All Ireland semi and witnessed the heartbreaking loss the week previous so the girls all had fire in their bellies and this really showed when they travelled five hours to Derry and beat St Pius X college, Magherafelt on a scoreline of 5-9 to 0-6. This meant the girls would now be facing an All Ireland final on the 18th of March where they took on Abbey Community School, Ferrybank. It was clear to see that both teams wanted the title badly but the match ended in a draw of 3-9 each. The All Ireland replay was played on the 25th of March but this time round the Borris girls really showed their sense of heart as each player fought with everything inside them and the work payed off as they were crowned 'All Ireland Junior C Camogie Champions on a scoreline of 2-8 to 2-4. Well Done to all of the players on both the Junior and Senior teams and their coaches Ms Maher, Ms Shanahan, Ms Lally and Ms Ryan.



Friday April 28th in Peake Villa FC, Thurles the u17 soccer squad from Borrisokane Community College were crowned Munster Champions. In the all Tipperary Munster final, CBS Secondary school from Carrick on Suir provided the opposition. A keenly contested, tough physical battle saw Borrisokane threaten the Carrick goal early on when a Neil Connolly free kick looked to be sailing into the top corner after a mazy run by Jack Daly, only to be kept out by a superb save from the Carrick keeper. The Borrisokane rearguard of Conal Moran, Mark Carey, Ben Chadwick and James Kirk settled into the game and coped with everything the Carrick attack had to offer. On the few occasions when Carrick broke through Eoghan Tinkler in goal snuffed out any threat. Darragh Flannery and Sean McAdams were full of running and tackling in the midfield and had a willing runner in Owen Usman on the wing. Borrisokane showed glimpses of their attacking prowess when Nathan Lynch and Neil Connolly combined to set up a chance for Jack Daly only a last ditch block kept the Carrick net intact. Jack Mahoney replaced Owen Usman and worked selflessly for his team. Borrisokane were on top but dogged defending kept the Borris boys at bay and extra time loomed. Conor Ryan replaced James Kirk and impressed with his determination to drive his team on to success. As both teams ran themselves ragged extra time ran out and the dreaded penalty shoot out beckoned. A cruel way to decide any title but Borrisokane showed great skill in dispatching 6 penalties Conor Ryan, Conal Moran, Jack Daly, Neil Connolly, Jack Mahoney and Nathan Lynch all showing remarkable composure to score from the spot. Eoghan Tinkler did his bit in the Borrisokane goal pulling off some great saves resulting in a 6.5 victory to Borrisokane. Cue scenes of unbridled joy from the large contingent of Borrisokane supporters in the crowd.





## Sporting Achievements



The Girls East Munsters was held in Templemore and our students represented the school very well. Jade O' Farrell-Bond received two gold medals in the senior girls for Hammer and Triple Jump. Laura Hayes received a gold in the Junior category in both the 200m and Javelin. Maeve Hogan received a bronze in the 100m Hurdles and the senior girls relay team also received a silver medal which included Fiona Singer, Jade O' Farrell-Bond, Maeve Hogan and Nessa O'Brien. Abigail Quinlivan received a medal in the Hammer. Congratulation to all girls who entered.

Well done to our Borrisokane CC Table Tennis Team, who achieved 4th place in The Munster School's League in Ballincollig Community school on March 1st.



## First and Second Year Basketball Teams



## Winners of the Schools Badminton Competition



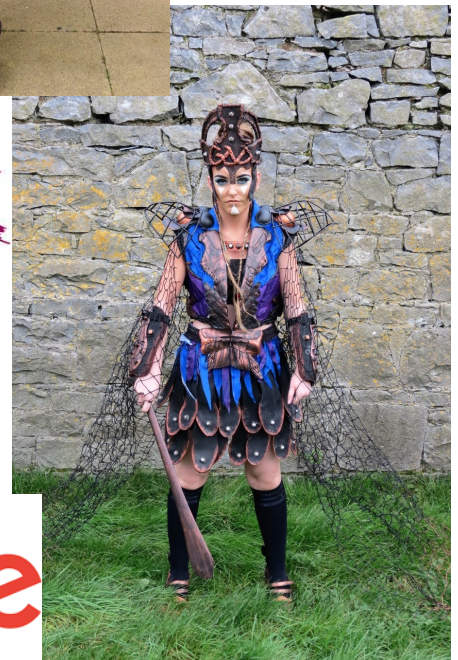


# Art News

This Year five of our Transition Year students worked very hard on two outfits for the Bank Of Ireland Junk Kouture Art competition. This is a big event for transition year students all over Ireland and its aim is to encourage young designers to create striking designs out of recyclable material on its way to the bin. This year, our school submitted two designs by two teams, the first consisting of Cian Ryan, Claire Walsh and Aisling Walsh. The three created a beautiful dress out of wallpaper, old jewellery and curtains. Their design was inspired by the artwork all over the school and what the sphere shapes represent. Staying with this theme, they called their design 'SPHERIC'. Our second team consisted of Mickela McGrath and Tara Lillis. The two girls created a warrior themed outfit using old GAA gear such as jerseys, shorts, hurleys, helmets, boots, socks and slottars. Their design was created to represent GAA players all over the country and the girls decided to call their design 'The GAAellic Warrior'. The teams were assisted along the way by Ms Forde our art teacher.



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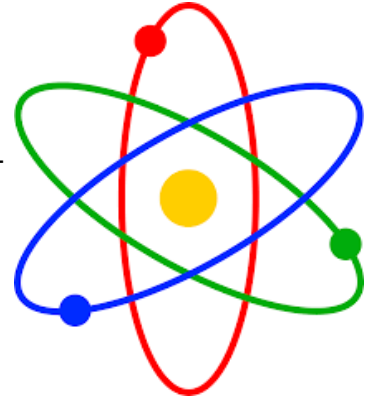
**Doodle 4  
Google**

For a second year running an art student from Borrisokane Community College reached the final of the 'Doodle 4 Google' competition. Niamh Ryan, a Second Year student reached the final stage of the competition with her inspiring work titled 'Perfect Balance'. The theme of this year's Doodle 4 Google is 'If I could create anything it would be ....' getting through to this stage of the competition was a great accomplishment for Niamh.



# Scifest

The SciFest programme aims to encourage a love of science, technology and maths through active, collaborative, inquiry-based learning and to provide a forum for students at local, regional and national level to present and display their scientific investigations. All 1st year students participated in a Scifest event at the school on 3rd March. There was an atmosphere of fun, activity and engagement throughout the afternoon as students presented on their own or in groups their various investigations and Science based projects. Competition was fierce and 6 projects were selected from the 1st year Scifest at school exhibition to represent Borrisokane Community College at the Scifest at College exhibition in May. Judging on the day were Ms. Anne Lynch a representative from Scifest, Kathleen Mason retired Science teacher from St Anne's Community College, Killaloe and Ms. Colette Burke retired Science teacher from Borrisokane Community College. The winning team, Dylan Dockery, Cian White and Sean Willaims developed a tractor safety gate. Joint second prize was Kevin Noughnane, Cillian Bergin and Michael Hough created a recycled paper burning log and Laura Cleary with her project on slurry related deaths. Three other projects selected which will also represent the school at the next stage of the competition included a project which was a comparative analysis of shop bought face masks as opposed to homemade face masks completed by Sophie Cleary. Another group Heather Cahill, Molly Ryan and Amy Clarke investigated how crystals grow on various surfaces. Bisandu Munasinghe completed an in depth analysis on composition of chewing gum.







# The Borris Bogle



## Poland

Last week six TY students travelled to Poland as part of the Erasmus + Program with teachers Ms Cunningham and Ms McGrath a great trip was had by all.



## London

In March, a group of 5th and 6th year students travelled to London along with teachers Ms Forde (art) and Ms Forde (history). Over the duration of the three days, the students visited the London Eye, a west end show and five well known art museums. Everyone really enjoyed the trip and found it very useful for their upcoming Leaving Cert Exam.



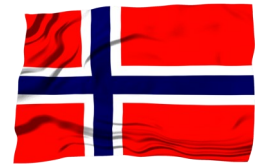
## Holland

In October, Third Year students travelled to Holland. It was the first trip of the school year and it definitely didn't disappoint. The students enjoyed trips to waterparks, guided tours and shopping. On the last day the students visited PhantasiaLand which was for most the highlight of the trip.



## Norway

On the 21st of January, six of our transition year students headed to Norway as part of the Erasmus plus project taking place throughout Europe. All of the students had an amazing experience and got to try lots of new things such as skiing and snowboarding.



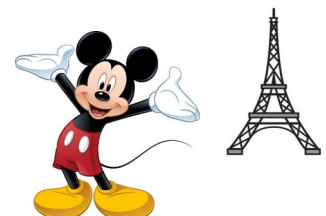
## Germany

In March seven TY students travelled to Germany as part of the annual German exchange. The German students came to visit our school in April. Both the Irish and the Germans really enjoyed the trip.



## France

In January, Transition Year Students along with a number of Fifth Years, travelled to Paris. The trip was filled with visits to famous landmarks including the Eiffel Tower, The Louvre and The Musee D'Orsay. The students also had a fun day out in Disneyland Paris, exploring the famous theme park. The trip was a great way to start 2017!



# TY Highlights

## High School Musical!

Our Christmas concert was a great success for all staff and students in the school. With dancing, singing, drumming and traditional music, the concert had a wide variety of acts and a wide variety of ages ranging from First Year right up to Sixth Year. Our Transition Year students performed 'High School Musical' which involved cheerleaders, nerds, jocks and of course the main cast of Gabriella, Troy, Sharpay and Ryan. It was an unforgettable couple of months for all the students as they rehearsed and got to try lots of new experiences.



## Killary

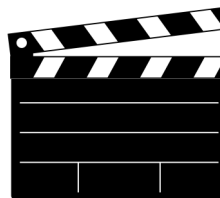
On October 2nd Transition Year students travelled to Killary adventure centre where they spent three days taking part in different activities such as Kayaking, climbing, bog run, orienteering and much more. It was definitely one of the highlights of the year for all of our Transition Years.



## Kairos

During the week of the 4th Of April, our three transition year classes travelled to Kairos recording studio in Maynooth. On Tuesday the 4th, 4A travelled to Kairos where they recorded an episode of Gogglebox. 4C travelled on Wednesday where they recorded an episode of '4C TV'. On Thursday, 4B travelled and did an episode of "This was a great opportunity for the Transition Year students because it gave them a real taste of what its like to work in a studio. Some students had the chance to work off camera and learn about sound, lighting, microphones etc, while the rest of the students worked on camera recording the episodes, and using props like they would in a real Television episode. At the end of the day, each class and teacher got a DVD of their show and had the chance to take photos.

It was a once in a lifetime experience for the students and they really enjoyed their time.



## Achill Island

On Wednesday 20 Transition Year Students along with teachers Ms Forde and Ms Darcy travelled to the Gaeltecht in Acill Island. They took part in lots of different activities such as surfing, cliff jumping and kayaking. The trip was a great opportunity for the TYs to practice speaking Irish. The sunny weather made the trip even better for the students as they got to visit the many famous beaches in Achill.

