

ly, friends and the community of the Presentation Secondary School....



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Life in the Presentation school is as busy and rewarding as ever.

In the opening months of the 2013 to Christmas period the following events have occurred:

- Road Safety Awareness week
- TY's produce and star in 'The plough and the stars'.
- Basketball, Camogie and Football success.
- Students raise funds and food for St.
 Vincent de Paul.
- The 'Build a Bank' is launched. More inside.







The Plough and the Stars is a traditional Irish play wri us an insight into life in Dublin City during the 1916 Fare a young married couple who are residents in a tene ter, the Covey, Mrs Gogan and her consumptive child domestic life at the time through desperation and strug Nora losing her husband to the war.

Our amazing director, Paul Walsh, guided us into crea auditions were held to cast the main characters. We re could in a Dublin accent. It was very nerve wracking be final decision. Once the main parts were announced, Peach other and to get a sense of what it would be like pot the scripts and tried to understand and get to know was to get comfortable in your new personality, to live thing from their point of view. We spent a lot of time working on our characters body language and getting our accents were not too long coming around, after was

The journey this play brought us on as a group, was ming sessions Paul organised for us, all of the cast gelle on in, we made friends for life and an unthinkable ame always a sense of being in it together, our motto was "Everyone abided by this through out the course of the our lines, brought each other through tough times, looker what and had the time of our lives in a few months Plough and the Stars.

Though we had lots of fun, we had to concentrate and formance night. There was no prompting or telling each tunately, everyone remembered their lines and the percostumes, hair, and make up were all fabulous thanks abords of them. The most rewarding part was when we

om day one of Transition year, we had a Road Safety module as part of our transin year program. Our teacher, Ms. Curran, taught us many things about road safety I also helped us plan events leading up to and during Road Safety Awareness rek. sonally, this module opened my eyes to the dangers on the road. So it was time

areness Week.

open everyone's! The posters committee made bright and colourful posters highnting road safety and hung them all over the school. Some our senior students
re presentations and talks to the junior end of the school. This had a major imt, as everyone began to notice the posters and learn more about road safety.
The posters were such a hit, we came up with the idea turning the school into a masre road! With the help of Ms. Curran, the organisers committee printed lots of
d signs to stick up in the corridors to creat the illusion of being on a road. They
to stuck paper on the floor as a broken white line. The best part, is the ongoing
meetition. The announcements committee make daily announcements over the
tercom with a road safety question, linked with the road signs hanging up. Stutts must answer the question correctly, in order to win a prize!
if all of that was not enough, we went to the cinema for a presentation on road
they. We saw the devastating affects on drivers. We witnessed the price families
I pay for many simple reasons, such as speed, not wearing a seatbelt, driver fatie, drink driving, driving with no headlights on etc. All of which, CAN be pre-

conjunction with our preparation for Road Safety Awareness Week, we have the S.A. Road Safety Shuttle bus and simulator. The bus provided us with many facil-s. We each did an awareness test, which shocked everyone! We got our reaction e tested, which proved how dangerous speed can be. We also used a machine to we us the affect that one would have 'under the influence', while driving. For me scariest part of our experience on the shuttle bus was when we sat in a rotating! When we sat in a car, with our seatbelts tight and secure, the car rotated a full degrees. It was terrifying! When we got out of the car, we were asked to imagwhat it would be like faster and with no seatbelt on. That alone frightened me so ch, that I wish everyone could experience it as I did, in a controlled environment. Shope that all students in Presentation Secondary School Wexford are now more are of road safety, and will carry the message with them forever.



By Eimear Gilhooly, TY student





Presentation Wexford clinched the South East senior basketball title, overcoming St Anne 26. En route to the final, Presentation recorded wins over Loreto, Bridgetown and Ramsgr Bunclody. A superior score difference saw Presentation top the group and record a quarter fore squeezing past O.L.O.L. New Ross in the semi-final. This set up a final against St An enjoyed a healthy rivalry with over recent years.

In the final, the Presentation girls marked their intent in the opening exchanges with Aleis scoring early baskets, as the Wexford side's defence held solid. At the end of the first quar to 2, with Chloe Thomas and Niamh Butler each adding a basket.

The second quarter saw St Anne's take the game to Presentation, as they upped their temper Mairead O'Connor registering 6 points for the Tipp side, bringing them right back into the with 8 points of her own as the pace of both teams was now more evenly matched. Marie I close to the basket for St Anne's as she drew fouls and added 3 points for St Anne's before for Presentation, to leave the score 22 to 13 at half time.

The strength of the Presentation squad was key to their performance, as Jess Hore, Sadhbh registered scores in the third quarter, while Aisling Buckley and Mairead O'Connor replied ing with great tenacity to try and claw their way back into the game. Aine McDonnell, Sor were introduced for Presentation at various stages, maintaining the high octane pace of the

Aleisha Cullen found her form in the fourth to register six points and not to be outdone, Le kets of her own. In response, Kinane and O'Connor combined to score three baskets for St to 26 to Presentation, whose bright start to the game laid the foundation for their victory.

Presentation now progress to the All-Ireland phase of the competition on Saturday 1st of F Maher will be sufficiently recovered from a knee injury sustained in the semi-final win ov and add further strength to the girls' bid to win a place in the All-Ireland semi final.

Team: Niamh Rutler (cant). Aleisha Cullen. Chloe Thomas. Aine McDonald. Niamh Kenr





The aims of our green schools committee is to raise awareness to our new recycling programme and to reduce the amount of recyclable waste being put in the normal waste bins, we would also like to simply make our school a greener and cleaner place.

The Green Schools Committee twitter page is @pres_green.





Coming soon in the next edition:

Full report on the work of art unveiled.

Sporting progress of all our teams.

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Congratulations to the Presentation Junior camogie team for their 3-9 to 2-4 victor

A5 students meet author Sarah Webb

On Wednesday 2nd October, students from 1A5, accompanied by their English teacher In ford Public Library to meet Irish author, Sarah Webb. This was a great opportunity for stand the students really enjoyed their time with the creator of the 'Ask Amy Green' series, her background and upbringing, she also spoke about the kind of books she read as a child how determined she was in becoming a published writer, even though her novels were recompanies, this didn't put her off and her persistence paid off. Sarah has close to 30 nove adults now published and her books have been translated into many languages. Sarah also the 'Ask Amy Green' series. She then gave students a chance to become guest editors on choose the title for her next book. The talk concluded with a very engaging Q&A session staff of the Public Library for inviting the students.



allers of Presentation Secondary are through to the semi-finals of the otball Post-Primary Competition, after point victory over Sacred Heart ol, Tullamore from Co. Offaly.

ayed in the Outside Grounds of Dr rlow on Monday 9th December.

gainst a stiff breeze and strong winter t-half, Presentation, Wexford were 6 time.

xford killed off the Offaly school early lf, with a countless volley of great ut comfortable winners on a final entation Secondary School, Wexford t, Tullamore 4-6.

ondary School, Wexford now play old dy in the semi-finals, which will take hristmas. Despite already beating FCJ, roup stages of the competition, xford know that they cannot afford to and will go all out to get to the Leinster

ne immediately after Christmas. Well ed on a great campaign, so far.

