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Education is highly valued by all our school community here in Christ King and much is expected of it. We are in very interesting times as regards reform and review of our Education system. Presently we are hard at work embedding the reformed Junior Cycle programme in our lower secondary school. Our teachers are working with active learning methodologies to ensure that all our students develop the eight key skills that underpin this new programme. Our teachers are engaging in professional conversations in order to share best practice so that our students also develop thinking abilities that support lifelong learning.

Junior Cycle subject syllabi are now replaced by subject specifications and the key skills are embedded in the learning outcomes of each specification. As the junior cycle years are a critical time in young people's lives we are developing a wellbeing programme for our students. Our programme is about ensuring that our students develop confidence and feel happy, healthy and connected. Through our programme we provide learning opportunities that enhance physical, mental, emotional and social wellbeing and resilience of our students. This programme is very important to us as we know that students who have higher levels of wellbeing tend to have better cognitive outcomes in schools.

Mary Keane

Principal



Marguerite O'Halloran, Prof John O'Halloran, Mary O'Halloran and Pricipal Mary Keane



Mary O'Halloran and Mary Keane

### **Quercus University Scholarship 2018**

Mary O'Halloran was recently awarded with a UCC Quercus Scholarship based on the results of her Leaving Certificate 2018. Well Done Mary. We wish you well in your future studies.

### Life Long Learning

A number of teachers are continuing to engage in Life Long Learning with various Post Graduate Courses. Recently, French and Irish teacher, Elaine Connor, received a Post- Graduate Diploma in Educational Leadership from UCC on 5th December 2018. "Leadership in the 21st Century School", The Postgraduate Diploma in Educational Leadership supports the professional growth of leaders in education, enabling them to contribute effectively to the improvement of practice in their own professional settings and the wider professional community.



Elaine Connor

# **Results Awards and Scholarships**

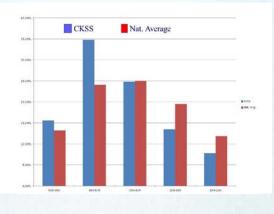
Christ King Leaving Cert Students 2018 celebrated a very good set of Leaving Cert Results in August. 16% of students received more than 500 points and 34% received higher than 400 points. 74 students went on to study at UCC. 35 went on to study at CIT. 1 student went on to study at Trinity College Dublin, 1 to University College Dublin, 4 students at Waterford IT, 1 student to Tralee IT, 1 students at Limerick IT, 2 student at Dublin IT, 1 student at Athlone IT, 3 students at Mary Immaculate College of Education and some students chose to study abroad. Some students also chose to study at the College of Commerce, Cork. We wish all students who left Christ King this year well in the future.

#### Schools with most students at University College Cork

Christian Brothers College, Wellington Road, Cork	107	
Coláiste Choilm, Ballincollig, Co. Cork	106	
Presentation College, Mardyke, Cork City	84	
Mount Mercy College, Model Farm Road, Cork	76	
Christ King Secondary School, South Douglas Road, Cork	74	
Carrigaline Community School, Co Cork	70	
Coláiste an Phiarsaigh, Glanmire, Cork	61	
St Francis Capuchin College, Rochestown, Cork	60	
Coláiste An Spioraid Naoimh, Bishopstown, Cork	58	
Glanmire Community College, Co Cork	51	
Regina Mundi College, Douglas Road, Cork	47	
Scoil Mhuire, Wellington Road, Cork	47	
St Aloysius College, Carrigtwohill, Co Cork	46	
Ballincollig Community School, Co Cork	41	
St Mary's High School, Midleton, Co. Cork	41	
Ashton Comprehensive School, Blackrock Road, Cork	41	
Intermediate School, Killorglin, Co Kerry	41	
Coláiste Chríost Rí, Capwell Road, Cork	40	
Loreto Secondary School, Fermoy, Co Cork	40	
Skibbereen Community School, Co Cork	38	
St Angela's College, St Patrick's Hill, Cork	37	

Schools with most students at **Cork Institute of Technology** 

Glanmire Community College, Glanmire, Co Cork	72
Coláiste Choilm, Ballincollig, Co. Cork	59
Carrigaline Community School, Co Cork	51
Scoil Mhuire Gan Smal, Blarney, Co Cork	39
Douglas Community School, Cork City	37
Davis College, Mallow, Co Cork	37
Ballincollig Community School, Co Cork	35
Christ King Secondary School, South Douglas Road, Cork	35
Kinsale Community School, Co Cork	35
Coláiste An Spioraid Naoimh, Bishopstown, Cork	34
Pobailscoil Na Trionóide, Youghal, Co Cork	33
St Peter's Community School, Passage West, Co Cork	33
Skibbereen Community School, Co Cork	32
Gaelcholáiste Mhuire (A.G), North Monastery, Co Cork	31
Coláiste Muire, Cobh, Co Cork	30
Christian Brothers School, Midleton, Co Cork	29
Christian Brothers College, Wellington Road, Cork	29
St Brendan's College, Killarney, Co Kerry	28
Coláiste Chríost Rí, Capwell Road, Cork	27
St Mary's High School, Midleton, Co. Cork	27
Hamilton High School, Bandon, Co Cork	27
Coláiste An Chroi Naofa, Carraig Na Bhfear, Co Cork	26
Ashton Comprehensive School, Blackrock Road, Cork	26



Christ King Secondary School v National Average

Students at UCC 2018

Students at CIT 2018

### The Irish Junior Science Olympiad - Lauren O'Connell

The Irish Junior Science Olympiad (IrJSO) is a science competition for students who are under sixteen on December 31st of the year of the competition. It is held annually in Dublin City University (DCU) in October. Finalists qualify through the Junior Certificate Examinations are identified by the State Examinations Commission (SEC). At the IrJSO competition, all participants receive a certificate. The top three students are awarded gold medals, the next three silver and the next three bronze. The gold & silver medal winners represent Ireland at the annual International Junior Science Olympiad (IJSO) in December. The bronze medal winners are on the reserve list.



Lauren O'Connell

This year, Transition Year Student Lauren O'Connell was chosen to take part in the Irish Olympiad in October 2018. Very well done Lauren.!



### Nicole Marinos – Grand Boston **Scientific Medical Devices Award**

Nicole Marinos, a Transition Year student at Christ King Secondary School, competed at the SciFest 2018 National Final on November 9th.

SciFest is an all island STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) initiative which fosters active collaborative and inquirybased learning among secondary level students. It continues to grow year on year with over 10,000 students participating in local and regional SciFest STEM fairs across the country just this year.

37 projects qualified from the regional fairs to compete in the SciFest National Final which was held in the Marino conference centre in Dublin. At the final Nicole was awarded an Excellence in STEM Award and the prestigious Grand Boston Scientific Medical Devices Award. Nicole designed a visual communication device to help patients successfully complete their MRI scan. Nicole developed the project over the past 15 months working both with the MRI Department in the CUH and researchers from Nimbus CIT. Congratulations Nicole.

Nicole Marinos

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# **Results Awards and Scholarships**







### Junior Cert Results.

Junior Cert Students also received a very good set of results. One student achieved 10 A's. Two students achieved 9 A's. Five students achieved 8 A's and five students achieved 7 A's. We congratulate all of our students and we know that you will continue to work well at your studies.

























# **Student Council**



Student Council 2018-2019

The Student Council are a very important group at Christ King. They are comprised of Prefect and Vice Prefect from each class and they meet regularly and provide some of the student voice in the school. They liaise with the Head Girl, Deputy Head Girl and their cooperating teacher. The Junior Forum are comprised of the Prefects and Vice Prefects of classes First Year to Third Year. They also meet at intervals during the year and facilitate even more student voice



# Debutantes Ball 2018

The Leaving Certificate Class of 2018 and their teachers danced the night away at the Radisson Blue Hotel, Little Island on August 2018. A great night was had by all and the girls and their escorts enjoyed the long awaited event.





# **Debutantes Ball 2018**



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# **Smugglers** Cove

First Year Students and Leaving Cert Students went on a Bonding and Wellbeing excursion to Smugglers Cove on the 27th and 29th of September. The weather was good and the students enjoyed the activities, golf, the maze and the pizza

of course











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# **Transition Year Students visit Ballyhass**







As part of the Transition Year Bonding Days, students visited Ballyhassand completed many activities as seen here.



















# BT Young Scientist Exhibition 2019

We now have 4 projects qualified for the Young Scientist which will take place in January 2019:

1. Aisling O Connor & Alison O Connell 5th Year

- 2. Nicole Marinos TY
- 3. Ayushi Mahajan 2nd Year
- 4. Jane Scanlan 2nd Year

We wish all of the girls and their science teachers well with the work and look forward to visiting them at the exhibition.

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# **Open Night 2018**

Open Night is a Whole School Event where students, teachers and parents are delighted to welcome in prospective students and their parents. Choosing a secondary school can be a daunting experience for students and their parents. We hope that we can show them what a welcoming environment we have at Christ King where we hope that girls will be happy and flourish in their studies.



# Lord Mayor Cllr Mick Finn visits Christ King

On 24th September the Lord Mayor Cllr. Mick Finn visited Christ King Secondary School. Cllr Finn is a local politician who has many links with education and our school.

We are delighted that he is Lord Mayor this year and we congratulate him on receiving the honour and wish him every good wish with his work in the year ahead.

Cllr Finn was educated locally in Sullivans Quay, Deer Park and UCC. He has worked all over the world as a Journalist, Project manager and most of all as an Educator.

He has a great interest in the wellbeing of the people of Cork and in Cultural activities around the City of Cork.

Mr O'Shaughnessy would say his greatest attribute is that he is a Lifelong member of St. Finbarr's NHFC and won County Championship hurling medals at minor, u-21 and junior league level.

Sr Mary Dineen speaks highly of him for his work with Nano Nagle Place which is a project close to our hearts.



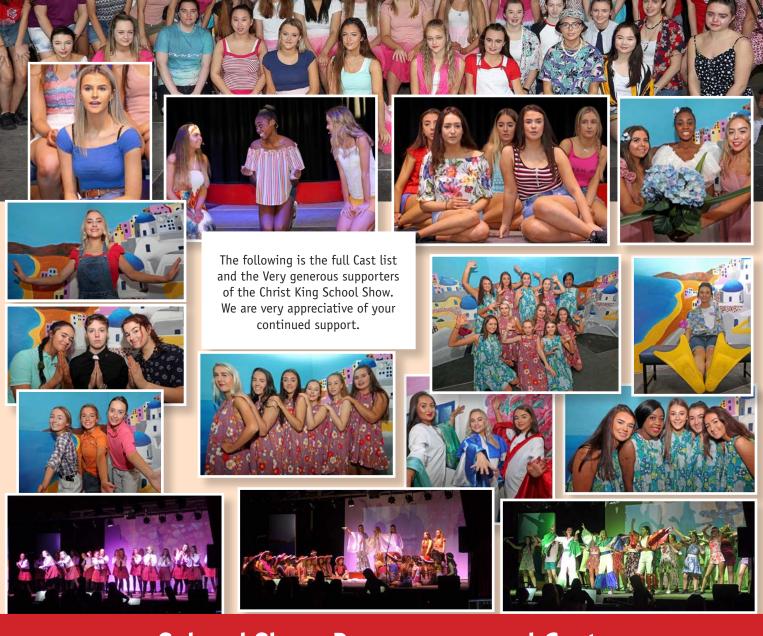








# "I have a Dream" – Christ King School Show



# **School Show Programme and Cast**

Programme Master of Ceremonies - Katie Culliton Second Year & Fifth Year Music Students "Matilda" Attridge Academy of Irish Dance Transition Year Students present "I Have A Dream"

#### Singers

Chorus/Dance
Lucia Alejarden
Charlaupe Amago
Namh Brady
Martha Cashell
Sarah Roda
Aissa Geary
Catlin Gavin
Namh Hackett Fhelan
Rebocca Hermony
Abbie Higgine
Jade Denise Howard
Amy Hurley
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Mar Mensa
Joanne Maverley
AisingMcEnning
KellieMorrissey
AbbienMulcalug
Suzanne Murphy
Abbey O'Brien
Aolfe OfBrien
Caroline O'Connor
Loraine O'Donisian
Mary O'Donovan
Aising Ottaloran
Jenna Ci Mahony

Saoine Oned	Leanne Marphu	
Lauren O'Sullian		
Crace Claduripge	Ekaterina Nikolajma Aolihe Noonan	
kana Orlova		
Robyn Smith	Lien O'Brien	
Kate Thornhill	Maisie O'Cornell Emly O'Sullian	
Leah White	Kiera OʻSulkan	
Rebence Wills	Grivelda Pavellada	
Address web	Emilia Parelada Emilia Petul	
Dance	Al Roche	
Holly Abam	Kate Rohan	
Angela Anado	Laura Russel	
Anu Daldwin	Mag Riyan	
Freedha Lekshni	Acile Sheehan	
Natasha Bowdren	Ener Sheehan	
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Raquel Cabiera	Jula Szparko	
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Annalog Lowin	Line Flerrinera	
Nicole Marinos	Martigna Gora	
Jauren McSweeney	Tath Kehinde	
Tage Mealy	Roisin Kehne	

Sharon Lin	
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Tess O'Regan	
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Zoe Sheehan	
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Grace Cahill	
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CarlaKopp	
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Lena Skocker	
Monthse Suarez	
Alcia Waugh	

The following is the full Cast list and the Very generous supporters of the Christ King School Show. We are very appreciative of your continued support.







# **Preparations for the School Show**

Transition Year Student and Photographer Elizabeth Scanlan was busy with her camera in the days before the show. She recorded the work of the Set Design Artists, the Choreographers, the Cast and dancers and the Backstage Team, including the Stage Manager and Prompter. Here is a selection of her photos below. Well done Elizabeth

































Mary Keane, Principal at Christ King, has been President of the National Association of Principals and Deputy Principals for the past year, 2017-18. At the National Conference in Galway the Music Department at CKSS together with fifth and fourth year students performed songs from Wicked to great applause. It was a huge commitment from the girls and teachers in a very busy school year but was really appreciated by all. A party to celebrate was held in the following week.



# Halloween at Christ King



This year the Second Year Students were busy painting witches. The Transition Years dressed in Costume. Teachers dressed up to raise funds for charity. Some Leaving Cert Students dressed up in likenesses of their teachers, all in good faith and the fun of Halloween. The Meitheal team organised a party for First Year Students and Pat Fitz provided the music as usual. A fun time was had by all we hope.



















# First Year Drama and Dance



The First Year Drama and Dance Wellbeing groups and Second Year Drama gave an impromptu performance on the School Show Stage on 30th November. They put on a very good and enjoyable display. Well Done to all.











# **Parents Council**

The Parents Council visited a large number of sponsors who generously donated. A great raffle at the show each night raised much needed sponsorship. A hige thank you to all involved.





# **Meitheal Team**



### Past Pupils and Architecture Students visit Transition Year Students

Past Pupils, Niamh Hurley, Joanna Barrett and Poppy Kilgallon, visited Transition Year Students on Friday 7th December to speak about their work and studies at UCC/CIT School of Architecture. They brought along many samples of their work and portfolios. The girls are all former Art Students at Christ King. They are pictured here with their former teacher Michele Hornibrook.

### Transition Year Students Exhibit in Douglas

Transition Year Students, Isabelle, Tess, Romy and Niamh, presented an exhibition of their work in Douglas Village S.C. during the week of 7th December. It was located outside Bresnans butchers by TK Maxx.

The centre has recently opened a new play area so it was fairly busy with families. The Exhibition had many people admiring the work while it was on display. Well done toallinvolved.





















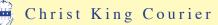


### Show Art

Transition Year Art Students were very busy in the lead up to the school show. They were busy painting images of Santorini, with its blue turreted buildings, blue skies and bouganvilla flowers. Posters were made and copied for distribution.







# Wellbeing Week 2018

Wellbeing Week this year took place from the 22nd to the 26th October. There were many events during the week. The First Year Students shared a Breakfast with Sixth Year Students in a "Getting to Know You" event in the Assembly Hall.







The now annual School Walk took place on Monday 22nd October, thankfully in glorious sunshine in the adjacent Tramore Valley Park, which is a wonderful facility for the school.



















# Wellbeing Week 2018

A full Programme of events organised by the Wellbeing Committee, which was comprised of students, teachers and a parent representative from the Parents Council. A highlight of the week for many people was the Whole School Reflection on Wednesday 24th October, where the whole school took time out to be guided in a mindful reflection accompanied by music and song.



# Fruit Fun

We had Fruit Fun on Tuesday of Wellbeing Week courtesy of Musgarves, Supervalu and Centra. We would like to thank Mr. Martin Kelleher for coming on board again. The fruit was enjoyed by all and lasted about three days!!







# Wellbeing Week 2018

#### Whole School Photo

On Tuesday of Wellbeing Week, Mr. O'Shaughnessy and Mr. Desmond organised a Whole School Photo. See the result below.



# **Sports at Christ King**

### Máire O'Brien

Home Economics and RE Teacher and Gaelic Football Coach, Máire O'Brien, took the opportunity to move closer to home and took up a position at our fellow CEIST school, Sacred Heart in Clonakilty. We will miss you dearly Máire but wish you all the best for the future.





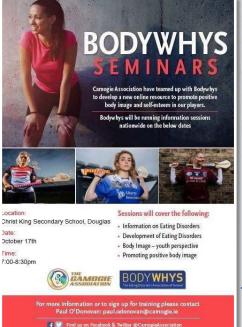


### Leanne Murphy – European Junior Boxing Champion

Leanne Murphy with Principal Mary Keane and Deputy Principal Cáit Watkins

Transition Year student Leanne Murphy had great success in the

boxing arena recently. Leanne is captain of the Irish Junior Boxing Team and won a Bronze Medal at the recent European Championships in Russia. Leanne is a member of Togher Boxing Club. She received a great welcome home on her return to Christ King.



### Bodywhys Body Image Seminar

A Bodywhys Body Image Seminar was held on Wednesday 17th October at Christ King organised by the Camogie Board and Ms. Julia White. Students, Teachers, Parents, Coaches and Friends turned up to hear a very important and worthwhile presentation.

# **Sports at Christ King**

### **Cork Camogie**

This year again we were delighted to give a huge send off to Teacher and Past Pupil Julia White who played in the Senior Camogie All-Ireland on 9th September. Sixth Year Student Eimear Hurley was on the Cork Intermediate Camogie Team also playing in an All-Ireland Final in Croke Park on the same Sunday. We gave both players a rousing send-off with Teachers, First Year and Transition Year students donning the red and white.









### **Future Leaders**

Camogie star, Julia White, is one of the many teachers nationwide developing new leaders for the GAA through the GAA/PDST Future Leaders Transition Year Programme.







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# **Sports at Christ King**

### Retirements and Leavings

PE teacher Pauline Hayes decided to retire officially this August but she is thankfully still with us coaching the Hockey Team and preparing costumes for the school show with her team. At a gathering in the staffroom on the 31st May we presented Pauline with the now customary Retirement Cake in the presence of her husband Mossy and her sons who came in to school to support her. We hope that you have more time for yourself, Mossy and your family Pauline and wish you well for the future.







Pauline and her PE and Sports Colleagues

Pauline and the Show Team

### First Years and their Snowmen

First Year Students made Snowmen from their Sports Equipment in a novel activity in December. Below are some pictures.



Students and teachers participated in the Evening Echo Women's Mini Marathon on the 1th September. Well done to all who participated.





# **Sport at Christ King**

### The Welcome Home

We were delighted that the Cork Senior Camogie Team were again victorious in the All-Ireland Camogie Final against Kilkenny 0-14 to 0-13. Another very tight match. Also the Intermediate Team were victorious against Down 1-13 to 0-09. We were delighted to welcome Pamela and Katrina Mackey, Past Pupils and again our own teacher and past-pupil Julia White and our sixth year student Eimear Hurley and past pupil Keeva McCarthy who visited the school and brought the O'Duffy Cup and the Jack McGrath Cup.



Christ King Cheque Presentation 11th Oct 2018







Junior Football Team 2018

Senior Football Team 2018

Winter 2018



The First South Credit Union have supported our school to a great extent this year. They sponsored our Camogie Team with a new set of Jerseys to the tune of 1000 and the School Show to the tune of 500. Mr. George Cantwell CEO and Mr. Jim Deeney, Business Development Manager presented the cheques. They hope that students, teachers and parents will consider joining one of the local branches at Turners Cross, South Mall, Ballyphehane or Kinsale.



Christ King Cheque Presentation 11th Oct 2018

First South support TY Show

# Mariko Takishita



Marika Takishita taught Japenese at Christ King for many years. She has now taken up a full-time position at UCC in the Asian Studies Department. A presentation was made to Mariko on 31st May. We will miss Marika and wish her well in her new position.

# Visitors from China



Visitors from Nan Yang High School 22 June 2018



Chinese Visitors 14 June 2018

We have had several visits from China this year. They are always very welcome. We like to exchange ideas and they always come bearing some small gifts.

On the 14th June we welcomed a delegation led by Cork City Council. On 22nd June we welcomed for teachers from our twin school in Shanghai, Nanyang High School. On the 22nd of November we again hosted visitors from Shanghai who were guests of Cork City Council. Transition Year students Robyn Smith and Laura Russell greeted and spoke to the young guests about life and school in Cork. Robyn and Laura will return the visit as part of the Easter Camp visits next Spring 2019.



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Chinese Visit 22 Nov 2018

# **German Excursions**

Students of German language and their teachers went to a German Film during the Cork Film Festival and on another occasion went Ice Skating with their teachers.













### German **Breakfast**

Some of the German students and their teacher Rachel Darby celebrated International Day of Languages with a Breakfast of German Food which was enjoyed by all especially the meats.



# Christmas 2018



### Act of **Kindness**

Students were reminded to carry out an Act of Kindness each day during Advent which we might continue throughout the year.

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### Shoe Box Appeal

First Year Students were busy filling Shoe Boxes for those less fortunate than themselves. Well done to all who worked on the project, teachers, including Mr De Brún and Ms. Ronan and students.



### **Decorating the Christmas Tree**



Students help to decorate for Christmas with the Christ King Crib and trees.



# **OUR PRESENTATION TRADITIONS**

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# Presentation Day 2018

On Presentation Day, First Year Students visited Nano Nagle Place in Douglas Street and spent a wonderful morning learning about the Foundress of the Presentation order. They were engrossed in the activities during their visit.

























# **OUR PRESENTATION TRADITIONS**

Mass at Christ King Church

### **School Opening Mass**

The Mass for the New School Year took place at Christ King Church on Tuesday 25th September. It was celebrated by Fr Billy O'Sullivan with music from the Music Department.

### Mass for Deceased Past -Pupils and Staff

Mass for deceased students & staff was celebrated by Fr. Billy O'Sullivan on Monday 26th November in the library at 7 pm.



### **Christmas Carol Service**



The Music and Religion Department organised a Carol Service in the Assembly Hall on Wednesday 19th December.

# St Vincent De Paul Appeal

We would like to thank all who donated to our St Vincent De Paul food appeal.

### News

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