



6th December 2024

# DalkeyDiary

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Thursday 12th Dec.: Choir members and Music students 1st -6th Year will be carol singing on Grafton Street for Loreto Charities, more details to follow
- Friday 13th Dec.: YES Christmas Market, Concert Hall
- Tuesday 17th Dec. 7pm: Christmas Carol Service, Church of the Assumption, Dalkey, musicians and choir required for both the daytime and evening performance
- Wed.18th Dec.: 1st Year Basketball Trip to Bray Bowl
- Thursday 19th Dec.: Dalkey's Got Talent, Concert Hall, 3.45pm



## DALKEY'S GOT TALENT AUDITIONS

Our 6th Year Student Leadership team have been busily making preparations for the show of the year, Dalkey's Got Talent. Auditions will take place next Monday, Wednesday and Friday, all are welcome. Meanwhile, a special visitor appeared this week and students have been finding our mischievous new friend up to all sorts of tricks around the building. Thank you to Ms Coyne and the 6th Year Student Leadership team.





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## LIBRARY

## CLASS OF 2014

We were delighted to welcome the Class of 2014 on Saturday 30th November. Past pupils took a walk down memory lane as they reconnected with classmates and recalled anecdotes from their time at school. We wish them well in the future.

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## SUPPORT OUR BOOK DRIVE

OUR LIBRARY IS UNDERGOING AN UPGRADE...AND WE NEED YOUR HELP!

- 1 Click the link to the Library Wish List which has been sent via the school app
- 2 Browse the list and choose the book you would like to donate
- 3 Make your purchase and send your book straight to the school!

We are also happy to accept second-hand books in excellent condition. Please email [library@loretoabbeydalkey.ie](mailto:library@loretoabbeydalkey.ie) with any queries

PLEASE HELP US REACH OUR GOAL



## CALMING THE STORMS

'Each one of you is wonderful and should honour the gifts that you were given' these were the inspiring words of Brother Richard Hendrick, author of 'Calming the Storms: Meditation as a Path to Inner Peace and Happiness', who spoke to the 6th Years on Thursday as their series of guest speakers continued. Brother Richard is a Capuchin Friar who has written extensively about the power of the Christian contemplative tradition. During a Q&A hosted by Mr Dunne, Brother Richard provided the 6th Year students with an insight into the monastic tradition and the formation process. To conclude the seminar Brother Richard led our students in mindfulness exercises focusing on the use of the senses and being completely present in the moment to appreciate the nature and individuals that surround us. Mr P.Byrne



12 Days of  
**Christmas  
Book Quiz**



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## TY UPCOMING EVENTS

We are looking forward to our TY students returning to us next week:

- Monday 9th December: 4E participating in SVP community service
- Tuesday 10th December: 4C participating in SVP community service
- 9-11am: Marie Keating Foundation Talks on the risks of alcohol and vaping
- Tuesday 10th December: Dundrum on Ice from 12pm
- Thursday 12th December: LCPE Trip to Sports Ireland Campus
- Friday 13th December: YES Christmas Market



## NATIONAL MISSING PERSONS' DAY

Well done to our choir who performed at the 12th annual National Missing Persons' Day in Croke Park this week. This is a commemorative day for families and friends to remember their missing loved ones and also to provide a nationwide platform to appeal to the public for information on missing persons. Minister Helen McEntee and Garda Commissioner Drew Harris spoke at the event. Thank you to Ms Penston for preparing our choir and instrumentalists. Thank you to Ms Penston.



## PARENTS' ASSOCIATION COFFEE MORNING

We were delighted to welcome parents of First Years to a Parents' Association Coffee Morning today. They were serenaded by some of our Junior Choir, soloists and musicians. Thank you to Ms Penston and Ms Lonergan for organising but also thank you to our Third Year Catering Crew who assisted at the event.





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## Sports Round Up

### Hockey



## EMBER Visit to CUS Leeson Street

'Friendship, Prayer and Collaboration' was the theme of the Ember trip to the Catholic University School, Leeson Street this Wednesday. The group was warmly welcomed by CUS. Each school presented their faith based initiatives carried out since September while also highlighting their strong Loreto and Marist ethos. This interschool experience afforded the students time to reflect on their role as faith leaders and learn from each other. A prayer service hosted by CUS provided time to think about the true meaning of Advent in the midst of shopping and gift giving. The day also included a tour of the CUS campus and a walk through the Iveagh Gardens brought a very special day to a close. Thank you to the CUS Ember group and their teachers for hosting this event. We look forward to welcoming CUS to Dalkey in the new year. Mr P.Byrne



### Cross Country Running

