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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Monday 7th-Friday 11th April: Junior Cycle Home Ec. Practical Exams
- Tuesday 8th - Thursday 10th: LC Art Practical Exams
- Wednesday 9th April: EMBER Visit from CUS, Leeson Street
- Friday 11th: Easter Holidays from 3.40pm

## BÍ CINEÁLTA WEEK

'Be kind, for everyone you meet is fighting a harder battle'. So said Plato and his wisdom rang true this week as we highlighted the importance of making space for those around us whom we may forget about, overlook or exclude. Through a vast array of memorable moments, we focused our students' attention on the Department of Education, new Anti Bullying Guidelines, Bí Cineálta. From painting themed stools for An Grianán, to Secret Saints to special assemblies to quizzes on appropriate online behaviour led by our Digital Champions, we hope the significance was not lost on anyone.

Students have been reminded of our 'Phones Off, Minds On' Campaign at special assemblies this week

**PHONES OFF**  
**MINDS ON**

Did you know that mobile phones lead to...?

- Decreased focus
- Lower memory retention
- Sleep disruption
- An inability to think critically & to problem solve
- Lower literacy & numeracy skills

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## Congratulations

## FIRST YEAR FARMERS

Congratulations to Alex Higgins and Kate Holland, TY, who were awarded Second Place in the Senior Category of the Linguist of the Year Competition, sponsored by Languages Connect and organised by Dr Eileen Bowman, Head of the BA in Gaelige and Modern Languages, UCD. The students made a video in Spanish on Sustainability and Global Citizenship.

'Not a red rose or a satin heart. I give you an onion. It is a moon wrapped in brown paper...It will make your reflection a wobbling photo of grief'. Thankfully, our First Year Sustainability Studies class, 1A, were not reduced to the same tears that Carol Ann Duffy recounted. Instead, they planted white and yellow onion bulbs and herbs outside the student entrance which we hope will sprout in the coming months. We encourage all of our students to begin a vegetable patch at home. Thank you to Mr Oman.



## WORLD OF WORK WORKSHOP

### PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

In preparation for Transition Year Work Experience, our Third Years engaged in a World of Work Workshop led by our seasoned TYs. Peer to peer guidance took shape in the Concert Hall as TYs provided their counterparts with an insight into the world of work. Thank you to Ms Shortt and Ms Brophy for organising this valuable initiative.

We do not have to react emotionally to our thoughts, they are just thoughts! Dr Richard Hogan asserted this statement at our Parents' Association Seminar entitled 'Who Am I As a Parent? The Self and Parenting'. Thank you to our Parents' Association for organising.







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## TY INTERGENERATIONAL PROJECT

Imagine seeing your secondary school grades 50 years hence? Today our TYs brought their Sue Ryder counterparts, from the Class of 1962, on a tour of their alma mater, even delving into the archives to offer them a glimpse of their academic past.



## LES TROIS FANTASTIQUES

Thank you to our Modern Foreign Languages Department who organised a French cinema trip to watch the gripping 'Les Trois Fantastiques'. Thank you to Ms Lonergan, Ms Mooney and Ms Freyne.



## TRINITY COLLEGE CAREERS TRIP

Following in the footsteps of countless scholars who have crossed its cobblestones, this week our TYs enjoyed guided tours of the hallowed halls of Trinity College. Thank you to the student ambassadors who led our TYs during a morning of university exploration. Thank you also to Ms Shortt and Ms Brophy for organising.



## TY GEOGRAPHY FIELD TRIP



Every TY student participated in a Geography Field Trip Study on Killiney Beach this week in order to experience the subject in its element. Thank you to Mr Hughes, Ms McHenry and Mr Kennedy.



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## GONZAGA MODEL UNITED NATIONS



Well done to our TY and 5th Year students who participated in Gonzaga Model United Nations representing Germany. Thank you to Ms Hayes and Ms Fogarty for organising.

## 5TH YEAR CAMINO PREPARATION



## SPORTS ROUND UP GOLF



## TENNIS

