

Coláiste Bríde



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A Chairde,

Another year is almost over and hopefully you are all looking forward to Christmas and New Year with family and friends. From the outset, the 2015-16 academic year here in Coláiste Bríde has been characterised by a tremendous sense of energy, enthusiasm and endeavour. Students and teachers can take the Christmas period to rest and unwind after a very busy first term.

Our thoughts and prayers are with those who have been bereaved or who have been dealing with illness during the past year and for whom the Christmas season may prove particularly challenging.

On behalf of the school community may I wish you all a Peaceful Christmas and a Healthy and Happy New Year. Thank you all for your support and co-operation during 2015 and we look forward to working with you all in 2016.

Kiera O'Sullivan, Acting Principal

Latest News

Transition Year Craft Fair

The TY Christmas Craft Fair took place earlier this month as part of their mini-company projects. A lot of excellent ideas and products were on sale and a quite a few bargains were to be had.

This was followed by a craft fair in the Riverside Hotel which was held in conjunction with Transition Year boys from the CBS. When all the profits are calculated the girls will be well able to buy their families some very nice Christmas presents!



Upcoming Events

January 6

Start of Term CAO/CAS

January 20

TY fashion Show

January 20

CAO online discount deadline

January 21/22

2nd Year Retreats

January 27

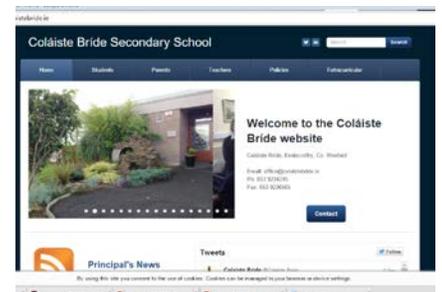
2nd & 5th Years Study Skills

Teaching and Learning

In December we have continued to develop our Literacy, Numeracy and AFL strategies.

Initiatives include our Learning Outcomes & Drop and Read.

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Christmas Carol Service

This year's candle lit Christmas Carol Service was particularly special. The service and beautiful singing got the whole school into the festive spirit. Congratulations to all those involved in this memorable event but particular mention to our choir and both the Religion and Music departments. As a school we would also like to thank our chaplain Fr. John Byrne for his involvement and support in this and all other events throughout the school year.



Christmas Quiz

The Christmas Quiz is one of the most eagerly anticipated events in the school calendar and this year's event certainly lived up to all the expectations. Well done to the TY students, Miss Duggan, Miss Whelan and compeers Miss O'Herlihy and Mr Kehoe on a fantastic event.



Soccer

Our senior soccer team have qualified for what we hope will be a trio of Leinster finals for Coláiste Bride soccer teams this year. The senior girls had a brilliant 4-0 victory over St Mary's College of Naas in their semi-final and are now looking forward to the final in the new year. Both our U16 and minor soccer teams are into semi-finals so each team are just one game away from what would be a remarkable clean sweep of finals. Our girls are undoubtedly very talented but their success is, in no small part, due to the hard work and dedication of their coach Miss Sinnott.

Other News

This month our sixth years had a Mental Health and Wellbeing workshop which was extremely enjoyable and provided them with some skills and techniques to help them in the months ahead.

The sixth year religion trip to Mountjoy Prison was an immensely rewarding experience for all participants. As the prison does not accept many school visits, Miss O'Connor's class was very fortunate to be given the opportunity to see, first-hand, the challenging work of prison officers.



Social Awareness

Touched by Suicide Collection & Christmas toy appeal.

St Vincent de Paul Collection
Food Collection.

Carol Singing St John's
Hospital.

Copper Coins Rounding Charity
Collection.

Congratulations to the TYs, who won the Copper Coins numeracy initiative.



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