



Crescent Express

Senior Cup Rugby Match

Crescent College Comprehensive retained the Munster Schools Senior Cup title for the second time in 24 years with an impressive 21-7 victory over local rivals Ardscoil Ris at Thomond Park on St Patrick's Day.

Crescent won the SEAT Munster Schools Senior Cup for the eleventh time in Thomond Park. It was a first ever All Limerick final in the 105 years history of the competition and it brought a terrific atmosphere and a big crowd.

Crescent won because of their greater experience and also because they moved the ball better amongst their three quarters who benefitted from a good service by scrumhalf Gary Fitzgerald.

Cormac Blake made a burst through the middle to score the first try. Ardscoil played well but in the end Crescent won by 14 points



By Karen Heagney



AD MAJOREM DEI GLORIAM

Senior Cup Hockey

On Friday the 14th of March, the Crescent Senior A Hockey Team took on Mount Mercy in the Munster School Senior Cup Final. Crescent retained the title for the second year in a row.

Crescent took the lead within the first few minutes of the match when Clodagh Moloney scored from a short corner.

It was a very tightly contested match. Holly Leacy from Mount Mercy equalised the match mid-way through the first half from a short corner.

Crescent produced some excellent chances during the second half but the match ended 1-1.

After 4 minutes of extra time Crescent took the lead with a class goal from Aebhinn Bourke. Mount Mercy had just 60 seconds to respond but Crescent fought hard and managed to claim a remarkable 4th title in 5 seasons. This match was bound to be a very close match with both teams beating their semi-final opposition by a single goal.

Well done to the Crescent hockey girls!!



By Áine Ryan.



AD MAJOREM DEI GLORIAM

Munster Schools Junior Cup Final 2014

Following a great few weeks of rugby from our Junior Cup team, unfortunately they travelled to Temple Hill where they were overcome by Presentation Brothers College by 17 points to 12.

Despite a late comeback from Crescent College, Presentation Brothers College proved too strong and emerged worthy winners.

A large crowd of supporters travelled to Temple Hill in the hope of achieving a double Munster Schools win having overcome last years cup winners Castletroy.

The game was played in glorious sunshine and despite strong swirling wind it was a perfect day for open running rugby.

Crescent played with the aid of the strong wind in the opening half and centre Daniel Hurley always looked dangerous with ball in hand as Crescent went in search of the opening score.

The strong swirling wind made things difficult for both sides. Pres' reliable kicker James Broderick was off target with four of his seven kicks at goal, while Crescent were penalized several times for crooked throws into the line out especially in the final quarter as the Limerick side were chasing the game.



By Danielle Londra



AD MAJOREM DEI GLORIAM

Candroid, the can that can.

On Saturday 22nd our school's Cansat team went to Burr to compete in the all Ireland competition. Hugh Fitzgibbon, Niall Keating, Tayyaba Sheikh and Chris Kelly all went out to represent the school.

The candroid is a soft drink can that, when launched into the air, can take information while parachuting. Depending on the task given, it can read humidity, temperature, wind speed, etc.

The competition was to fire the can up to 100 metres and use a parachute and coordinates to land in a marked location. They then shot rockets up to 300 metres and guide it down to the ground. Crescent's can landed perfectly in the area marked.

Crescent beat the five other teams and were crowned the winners of the 2014 ESERO Ireland-CEIA Can Sat competition, and they will be now representing Ireland in Norway in June.

Good Luck to the Can Sat team in the international Finals!



By Jack Fitzsimons



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Crescent Talent Show 2014

This year, Crescent's annual talent show was held on Friday evening, March 7th. It was an extremely successful event with roughly 300 audience members who had gathered together to watch the students (and teachers!) of Crescent perform. Twenty different acts took part to show off their singing, instrument playing and dancing talents.

Fantastic performances were displayed by each and every act, whether they were a soloist or part of a group. A competition was held for the best solo act, the best group act, and the act which the judges thought was the best overall. After much consideration by Karen Fleming, Chris Cullinan, John Kennedy, Eileen O'Brien and Sean Moloney, they came to a decision. Best Solo Act was awarded to the very entertaining Joey Kirby who sang "Always Look on the Bright Side of Life," Best Group Act was won by Kate Stapleton, Niamh Roche, Patrick O'Donnell and Cian Guinee who each showed off their fantastic musical skills performing "Royals" and, lastly, Best Act Overall was given to Fiachra Ryan who gave a stellar performance playing guitar while singing "Tenerife Sea."

Over €1500 was raised from ticket selling with all proceeds going towards TLC4CF, a local charity who help and care for people with Cystic Fibrosis.



By Aoife Murrey



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Belfast Trip 2014

On the 27th of February, we left our school at Gam to head on the long journey to Belfast. We arrived in Belfast at 11 O'clock where we got a guided tour of the city, we saw beautiful political murals on the walls. I felt excited being in Belfast, particularly being in the Loyalist area. In the afternoon we travelled to the Giant's Causeway which is a big rock formation formed by volcanic rock being cooled in the sea, it was good to see this in real life from the point of view of our geography class.

After a good night's rest in the hotel, we went to the Titanic Experience Museum which was made to be the width of the brow of the ship. Having watched a video we then descended downstairs to the interactive experience which looked like you were in a submarine in the bottom of the ocean, you could see the actual Titanic on the bottom of the sea floor.

At the Titanic Experience we got to see what a first class and second class bedroom on the Titanic would have looked like. At the port outside the centre we got to see the last surviving ship made by Harland and Wolf as the shipyard is no longer in operation.

We got to see the drones that went to the bottom of the ocean floor in search of the Titanic and any artifacts from the wreckage. Overall I thought the Titanic experience was exciting and I would highly recommend it.

Following this experience we entered a whole new world in the W5 Science Exhibition. This was a 'hands on' experience, where you got to do various things such as; looking at little creatures under magnifying glasses, playing interactive games, and a lazer harp where you could change the sounds without knowing how to play.

To top it off we went bowling and shopping in the Victoria Square Shopping Centre before heading home tired and exhausted from our great trip.

I would like to thank Mr. Kennedy, Miss O'Donoghue, Mr O'Callaghan and Mr. Cuddihy for giving us the opportunity to go on such a trip.



By



AD MAJOREM DEI GLORIAM

CCC Equestrian & Jockeys Competition

It was clear rounds all round for CCC Jockeys in two successive weekend competitions in Clonshire Equestrian Centre this month. The jockeys partnered with CCC Equestrian club in entering the two events and all those who competed did themselves and the school proud. They are now looking forward to the all day inter-schools competition organised by Kayleigh Maher on 25th March for a final chance to represent CCC this year and to gather a blue, white and black rosette to add to their collections. We congratulate both clubs on their achievements and wish them the very best of luck next week. By Anne Guinee





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5th Year Trip to Recess

On the 28th of February, a group of 5th year students headed off for an outdoor pursuits weekend to Recess Co. Galway. Over the course of the weekend students took part in activities such as hill walking, kayaking, orienteering, rock-climbing and bivouacking. On the last night of trip, students braved the cold weather and spent the night sleeping outside in the nearby forest in nothing but sleeping bags and bivi bags. On Sunday, the trip ended with a barbeque and the students packed their bags and headed home. Despite the wet and windy weather, the trip was fantastic and thoroughly enjoyed by all the students. This trip was organised by the Student Council with the help of Dermot Cowhey and could not have gone ahead without them.



By Karen Quilligan



The Saint John's Bible

On Monday the 3rd of March Ogilvie went to Mary Immaculate College to take a look at "The Saint Johns Bible". These books are worth near \$30,000 each and cost \$5,000 a year to rent,² but the books that you can buy are only replicas as the originals are almost priceless! It took 7 years to make the originals. Przemek also showed us the art of Calligraphy and the difference kinds of calligraphy. It was a great day out and it was very interesting and a great experience.

By Przemek



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Sugar Ray Leonard

There was much excitement in the school as boxing Legend Sugar Ray Leonard made a surprise visit to our school on Thursday 27th of March. Sugar Ray has won world titles in five weight divisions and has defeated other boxing greats such as Marvin Halger and Thomas Hearns. He has also won a gold medal in the 1976 Olympics.

He talked to us about his life story and gave a very motivating speech before answering a few questions from our students. Even though he looked exhausted, he still managed to give up his time to come to the school.

He talked to us about how we have to look and feel positive in life, he also said to keep following our passions and dreams. He was a very inspirational speaker and kept all of the attention of the students.

After he spoke, Tim Moloney, Aine Leahy and Jack Hogan presented Sugar Ray Leonard with gifts from the school including the school hoodie.



By Jack Fitzsimons & Brian Prendergast



Well done to all the Crescent sports teams who have been victorious in the last few weeks.

Congratulations!!!

And thanks to all the supporters who came to all the matches and supported all the teams, we couldn't have done it without you!



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