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## Crescent School Captains 2011



This Friday, the 30th of September is to be the annual Captain's Half Day.

The Captain's Half Day has been a tradition in Crescent College Comprehensive S.J. for many, many years. It comes at a time in the first term where all students have settled into school and can take a breath to review their progress so far – and make resolutions for the term ahead.

The Captains Half Day has been held on a Friday for the past number of years and is looked forward to by both pupils and teachers alike. School will finish at 12.35pm.

By Clare O'Sullivan, Mary Maher and Rachel Malone

## Democracy at Last!

Last Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September, the Crescent Student Council had their first meeting in the school library.

The student council is made up of three students from each year (excluding first years) elected by their peers. It is a legal obligation for every secondary school to have a student council.

The representatives for each year on the student council for each year are named in the table below.

The Council's first action was to vote Cian Scott as chairperson and Ronan Carr as secretary.

The chairperson's job is to keep order in the council and say who can speak at what time. The secretary takes note of everything that is mentioned during the student council meetings and writes the minutes. These are then posted on the student council notice board in the central area.

The chairperson and secretary will discuss the issues brought up at the monthly student council meetings with Mr. Cuddihy. We encourage all students to speak to their representatives about any problems they have that the student council could help with.

If students feel shy about talking to representatives they can write down issues on a piece of paper and put it in a suggestion box which will be placed in the school library.

William Heffernan and Sarah Murphy have been nominated to speak on behalf of the first years at the council.

The issues discussed at the first meeting included the recent theft of mobile phones and ipods from 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> year girl's bags, the banning of selling chocolate at the school shop, the cancellation of the 5<sup>th</sup> year Recess trip as well as other topics. All issues raised will be discussed with Mr. Cuddihy by Cian and Ronan.

By Tim Moloney and Ronan Carr.

| Year                 | Representative  |
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| 6 <sup>th</sup> year | Cian Scott, Richard Hegarty and Carolann Guinee.      |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> year | James Green, Greg O'Shea and Paul Joyce.              |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> year | Tim Moloney, Ronan Carr and William Heffernan.        |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> year | Bobby Flemming, Maedhbh Noonan and Brian Considine.   |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> year | Keith O'Donnell, Heather Fitzgerald and Sarah Murphy. |

## Trad for Trocaire

Last Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September, Ms. Chawke organised an event in the school for charity called "Trad for Trócaire".

This involved teachers and a number of students from different years, playing traditional music to

collect money in aid of Trócaire.

It was great to see people, both students and teachers, getting involved in aid of charity.



The event was a great success and they raised lots of money for Trócaire.

By Fiachra Ryan and Ruaidhri Mardell

### Editors Note:

- \* This is the second edition of the Crescent Express, which is published by the Transition Years in Crescent College Comprehensive each week.
- \* A different class group takes the editorial helm each week, giving them a taste of the hectic world of those in the journalistic trade!
- \* Anyone with news items can email:

crescenttynewspaper@gmail.com

## "Hi Ho, Hi Ho...it's off work we go!"

The transition year classes Meyer and Oglivie will begin their work experience on 3<sup>rd</sup> October for three weeks.

Work experience is a great opportunity for transition years to experience what working life is like and what career opportunities are available for them to pursue when they leave school.

Work experience also serves as a confidence builder for many students as they may be spending time with people whom they have never met before, and learning how to communicate with their employers and colleagues in a professional environment.

Fieldie and Hopkins classes will begin their work experience on the sixteenth of January until the third of February.

Arrupe and de Chardin classes will begin their work experience on the twentieth of February until the ninth of March.

Good luck everyone!

By Kate Ryan and Orla Dallman

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## Take the Money and Run!



wonder-  
ful fundraiser.

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The Limerick Mini Marathon is an event not to be missed! 2011 will celebrate the 14th year of this fantastic event and organizers expect this years' participants to exceed 3,000.

The event takes place on Sunday the 16th of October at 2pm, starting at the University of Limerick.

The transition year girls are taking part in this years' event to continue Crescents' tradition of participating in this

They will be raising money for St. Gabriel's school and center. St. Gabriels is a school that specializes in teaching children with disabilities and offers great support to both the children and their families.

The students and staff at St. Gabriels are all very excited for the girls to take part."We are thrilled that the Crescent girls are running again for us

this year."

Last Wednesday the transition year girls went to visit the school, to be made aware of how important the facilities are for the students in St. Gabriels. After visiting the school and meeting a few of the students we all became much more motivated to raise the badly needed funds for the school.

All the transition year girls are very excited to take part in what they are sure will be a memorable event and hope that Crescent students will support them as they do in great numbers every year. Good luck to every-

## Crescent hosts Irish Sports Council Family Fun Day

Last Saturday 24th of October, Crescent hosted a free Family Fun Day on behalf of the Irish Sports Council. The Fun Day took place between 12 and 3pm.

The transition year class De Chardin were there on the day to help out with setting up the activities and running the event.



The day focused on getting both children and their parents involved in sports of all kinds!

There were a range of activities to participate in, from archery, golf, tag rugby and a cycling challenge to name a few.

The day was a great success and all the parents and children went home happy. Well done to all involved on the day!

By Aoibhin Kelly and Ciara Murray.



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## Sports Round-Up...

### First Year Hockey Blitz

On Wednesday 28th of September, Crescents' annual First Year Hockey Blitz took place in the grounds of the school and Catholic Institute.

Castletroy College, Laurel Hill, Laurel Hill Colaiste, Villiers and Crescent all participated in this tournament.

66 matches took place throughout the day, split into three divisions. Great fun was had by all schools, but it was Crescent College Comprehensive who won out in the end, winning all three divisions. Well done girls!

By Louise Hession, Jayne Fitzgerald and Sean Leahy

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### Junior Cup Rugby Update

On the 28<sup>th</sup> of September the Crescent Junior rugby team played Ard Scoil Ris in the second round of the City Cup.

The first half was mainly dominated by Ard Scoil as they scored two tries, however they were unable to convert, while Crescent only scored one converted try.

Sometime later a second converted try from Crescent put them in the lead for the first time in the game. Two more tries from Ard Scoil and one more from Crescent left the score 22-17 with a minute left in the game.

At this stage Ard Scoil thought the game was finished and kicked the ball into touch. The line out was taken and won by Ard Scoil. The ball was taken into contact but wasn't released giving Crescent a penalty inside their own twenty two. The penalty was taken quickly because it was the last play.

This was Crescents' last chance to win the game. The ball was passed to Gary

O'Sullivan who ran to the half way line, it was then passed to Andrew Harrison who ran within inches of the line! It was finally offloaded to Dan O'Keeffe to score the winning try.

The conversion was unsuccessful but it didn't matter, Crescent had won 24-22.

By Dan O'Keeffe and Aidan Reidy

### U-17 Soccer: A Game of Two Halves

On Tuesday Crescent U17 soccer team played St. Clements U17 at Crescent College Comprehensive S.J. It was a very exciting game as ten goals were scored overall. The first half was dominated by St. Clements as they scored four goals to Crescents one.

The second half was completely the opposite however, as Crescent were on top of St. Clements creating lots of chances.

The final score was 6-4 to St. Clements. While Crescent did lose the game, the second half was very encouraging and it will hopefully give them confidence to go on and win their next match.

By Peter Garland

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