



## The Crescent Express

# Fame

After weeks of practicing, the TY students took to the stage for Fame: The Musical. All 144 students took part in the show whether it was on stage or behind the scenes. There was a lot of time and effort put in by everyone involved with rehearsals during school, after school, weekends and even during midterm.



After all the hard work the TY students took to the stage on the 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, and 18<sup>th</sup>, of November 2018. Every student gave their best effort each night and had great fun. Each night was packed and everyone in the audience was amazed by the extremely high standard of professionalism and quality of acting by all involved.

We would like to thank Lisa Bennett Quaid, Emma Chawke and Shannon for all their hard work, commitment and dedication. We also want to thank Joe , Bill and the crew for the wonderful stage. And all the painters of the amazing set.

The producers also played a big part even though they were behind the scenes it would not have been possible without them, they organised costumes, collected sponsorships and spot prizes, made programmes and did the shop on all nights.. We would also like to say a big thank you to the amazing musicians who provided the music for the show





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### Main Cast:

**Ellen Henry: Serena Katz**

**Seth Rackard: Nick Piazza**

**Lucy Tucker O'Brien: Carmen Diaz**

**Sean Farrell: Joe Vegas**

**Aimee Coleman: Mabel Washington**

**Jilly Edwards: Tyrone Jackson**

**Meabh Keogh: Iris Kelly**

**Ciaran Kenny: Schlomo Metzenbaum**

**Laura Waddell: Grace Lamb (Lambchops)**

**Roisin Feeny: Goody**

**Teagan Nolan: Miss Esther Sherman**

**Laura Heagney: Miss Greta Bell**

**Jason Casey: Mr. Myers**

**John Bourke/David Barry: Mr Sheinkopf**





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## Senior City Cup Final

Last Wednesday our seniors took the field against Glenstal in the city cup final. The game was played on a cold afternoon on the back pitch in Thomond Park. The game kicked off at two o'clock and shortly after Glenstal converted some good play into a penalty. 3-0 to Glenstal. Shortly after Crescent started to attack with some quality carries from the forwards and good hands from the backs. Crescent were rewarded with a good try from Captain Maccon Casserly. 7-3 to Crescent at half time. The crescent team held off a furious attack on the line and went up the pitch the score there second from Timothy Duggan. Glenstal kept trying to score but the crescent line was too strong. Crescent got a last-minute intercept to seal the game. Maccon gave a great speech alongside his brother who should've captained the Bowen shield against Munchins.



## ISPCC Collection in Town



## ISPCC Childline

All TY classes took turns collecting in town throughout December. This is a very good cause and its great to see all off the students taking part in this!

Well done to all the students who took part and went out in the freezing cold weather! ^





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## Hopkins Ice Skating Trip

On the 5<sup>th</sup> of December Hopkins class went to the ice-skating rink in limerick. The class had great fun between having races and falling on the ice. The Hof was petrified in the beginning but with the help of some tutoring from captain Cass he was performing iron lotuses in no time. After the skating the class were tired and hungry, so they headed down for a bite to eat. Thanks to Bernie for taking us.





## TY Christmas Cards

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In September four TY girls set up an enterprise, selling Christmas cards and decorations to raise money for St.Gabriel's sensory room. A sensory room is a special room designed to develop a child's sense, usually through special lighting, music, and objects. It can be used as a therapy for children with limited communication skills.

All the cards and crafts are handmade by the girls. They have been working hard for the last few months designing and creating, in the build up to several Christmas Markets and Fairs. The girls have set up stalls in Killmallock, Manister and Mungret. Cards have also been distributed to St.Gabriel's school and a local shop to be sold. The decorations have been made from recycled materials such as yoghurt pots, old lightbulbs, paint brushes and wooden spoons.

**So far the girls have raised €512.55. Well done to all who worked on this worthwhile enterprise for such a worthy cause.**



Cara, Kate, Teagan, Caoimhe, Emma, Rebecca





## Shoebox Appeal 2018

This year, Crescent students participated in the Christmas shoebox appeal. Team Hope is made up of volunteers who give their time to promote, gather, and reorganize shoeboxes, so each is equal in value. This year these boxes will be delivered to Malawi, a country in Africa. Malawi is one of the countries worst-hit by HIV-Aids and home to more than one million children orphaned by the disease. As well as this, the country was under the leadership of a corrupt leader. However in recent times, Malawi has experienced economic growth. Hopkins Ty class went to the Centre in Castletroy with the boxes that students donated and helped to wrap and pack boxes and fill bags, that were donated. At the Centre, there was a lack of soap bars, underwear and pencils, so please make sure to include these next Christmas. If you have missed out on donating a shoebox, there is also a Pyjama Appeal running in the school.





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## CHRISTMAS COOKIE RECIPE

This delicious cookie recipe is fun and easy to make.



It makes a delightful treat or a perfect present!

Preparation time

**30 mins to 1 hour**

Cooking time

**10 to 30 mins**

### Ingredients

- **350g plain flour, extra for rolling out**
- **1 tsp bicarbonate of soda**
- **175g light soft brown sugar**
- **1 free-range egg**
- **4 tbsp golden syrup**
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- **2 tsp ground ginger**
- **1 tsp ground cinnamon**
- **125g butter**





### To Decorate:

- Writing icing, white and black
- Smarties, Minstrels, M&M's, Chocolate chips
- Gingerbread cookie cutters

### Method:

1. Sift together the flour, bicarbonate of soda, ginger and cinnamon and pour into the bowl. Add the butter and blend in a food processor until the mix looks like bread-crumbs. Stir in the sugar.
2. Lightly beat the egg and golden syrup together, add to the food processor and mix until the mixture clumps together. Take the dough out from the bowl, knead briefly until smooth, wrap in cling film and leave to chill in the fridge for 15 minutes.
3. Preheat the oven to 180C/160C Fan/Gas 4. Line two baking trays with grease-proof paper.
4. Roll the dough out to a 0.5cm thickness on a lightly floured surface. Using cutters, cut out the gingerbread men shapes and place on the baking tray, leaving a gap between them.
5. Bake for 12–15 minutes, or until lightly golden-brown. Leave on the tray for 10 minutes and then move to a wire rack to finish cooling.





## CCCSJ and Our Lady of Lourdes NS 2018



### The Christmas Market

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The Christmas Market took place on 6th December in the Primary School hall. Our TY students had been preparing for weeks, painting backdrops and making a decorative wooden photo-frame for our stall this year which was a Christmas Photo-Booth. The group did fantastic work on the day, managing the props, taking and printing the photos and putting them in decorative cards to be taken home and displayed, collecting money and of course chatting to customers. At 12 p.m. Santa arrived and shortly after that our First Year Group sang two carols to an attentive audience. For many students it was a place to meet brothers, sisters, cousins and extended family and the collaboration between schools was a great success. Thanks to all our TY and 1st Year students who did a great job.



'Wellbeing' Table Quiz



Each year our students collaborate in a number of ways with Our Lady of Lourdes NS with whom Crescent has a special link over many years.

This year so far our students have taken part in a 'Wellbeing' Table Quiz and in the annual Christmas Market. The Table Quiz was held on 14th November and our First Year students were delighted to return to their 'old' school to meet teachers and friends. Teams were mixed with some from CCC, and some from the primary school on each team. The quiz is an initiative of the Local Education Committee and was based on the Committee's theme for this year which is Wellbeing. Every round of the quiz had a question about mental health, such as "Anyone can have depression, true or false" or "When you have a problem you should never talk to anyone about it, true or false" and students showed they understood these issues well in their responses. Great fun and learning was had by all and our First Year students did us proud.





# School Charity Cup



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On Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> our Senior rugby team took on St Munchins in the second Limerick schools Dudley Herbert, Sean Conneely Charity Cup Derby ever. This game kicked off at 5 pm under lights in the Markets Field. After losing last year our seniors were seeking revenge, despite the weather there was a great turn out on the night of students ,parents, past pupils and players. Afterwards I'm sure many games were replayed in the local hostellries.

I suppose it was only fitting that the game ended 5 points all and both sides got to get their hands on the trophy. This was a good night out played in the cup spirit and all proceeds go to the worthwhile charity The Peter Mc Verry Trust



## Ireland's Success 2018



- Coach of the Year - Joe Schmidt
- Team of the Year - Ireland
- Player of the Year - Johnny Sexton

Johnny Sexton has been named World Rugby's Player of the Year at the World Rugby Awards in Monaco. The Ireland and Leinster fly-half has enjoyed a sensational year for club and country and landed the award ahead of two-time winner Beauden Barrett, his All Blacks team-mate Rieko Ioane, and South Africa pair Faf de Klerk and Malcolm Marx. Sexton helped secure the grand slam for Ireland and also put Ireland number 1 in the world rankings.

Joe Schmidt was named coach of the year in Monaco. Schmidt has guided Ireland from eighth to first in the world rankings in five years. Schmidt, who has decided to leave after the World Cup has caused an uproar but has named Andy Farrell as his replacement after the World Cup next Year. Exciting times ahead.





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## First Years Home Economics class show off their baking skills with Christmas cupcakes



Christmas Cake Club  
Iced Christmas Cakes





## Christmas Cake Club

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The club gathered on Thursday and Friday morning last week before school to soak the fruit and mix the cakes, which were baked on Friday.

They met after school for 2 hours yesterday to cover their cakes with almond marzipan and sugar paste/fondant icing.

The cakes were then iced by the students



**1st Year Christmas Cake Club finished up today - the club members decorated their cakes with their chosen designs.**



**A Big thank You to Lisa for all her hard work and expertise**



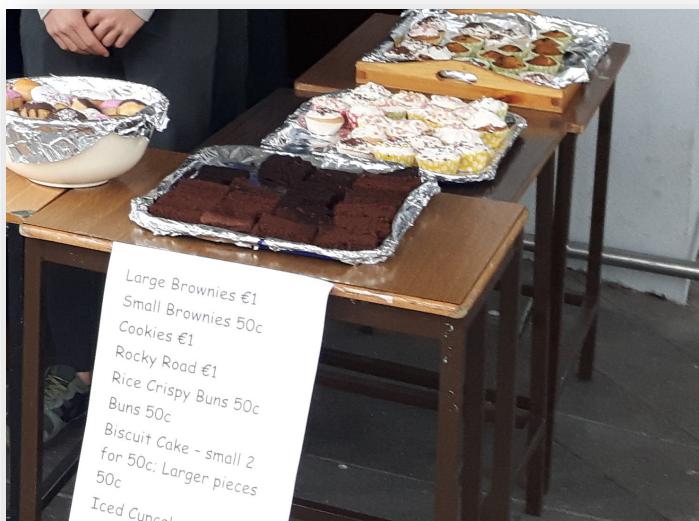


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## Bake sale for Milford care centre



Baked goods donated by 2nd and 3rd yr. home economics students. And made by Fielde in their HE Class. Thank you to all who contributed to the bake sale , and to the students who gave up their time to bake and sell the goods. Thanks to everyone for supporting us.





## Christmas scenes from Crescent 2018





# CHRISTMAS WORDSEARCH

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## Christmas Wordsearch

Y	D	E	T	A	K	S	E	C	I	L	K	E	N
L	E	E	R	T	L	E	I	E	I	C	A	Y	O
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S	T	N	E	S	E	R	P	L	C	A	D	M	H
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H	N	N	E	J	S	T	O	C	K	I	N	G	F
S	I	K	E	E	R	E	U	N	I	O	N	E	L
J	O	L	O	R	A	C	L	C	O	O	K	I	E
R	A	N	I	C	C	A	N	D	Y	C	A	N	E

CANDLE  
STOCKING  
CANDYCANE  
REUNION  
PRESENTS  
FAMILY  
ICESKATE  
JINGLEBELLS  
SANTA  
NORTHPOLE  
MINCEPIE  
CAROL  
SLEIGH  
ICICLE  
REINDEER  
TURKEY  
TREE  
JOLLY  
COOKIE  
ELF

Play this puzzle online at : <https://thewordsearch.com/puzzle/465890/>





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Christmas Wordsearch

C	W	S	Q	E	Z	J	R	S	E	G	S	L	Z	V
Z	A	Q	E	W	C	U	K	O	W	P	A	E	J	Z
T	H	R	W	N	D	A	T	G	R	N	M	G	J	T
E	R	B	O	O	A	E	E	W	H	E	T	N	O	S
S	D	E	L	L	L	C	X	P	L	G	S	A	Y	A
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F	H	O	S	R	E	I	N	D	E	E	R	E	Q	T
G	W	I	W	Y	Y	I	P	X	N	B	H	S	L	A
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S	S	G	E	R	M	R	T	X	R	L	G	B	Z	I
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ANGEL	BELLS	CANDY CANES	CAROLS	CHRISTMAS	ELVES	FAMILY
HOLIDAY	HOLLY	JINGLE	JOY	LOVE	MISTLETOE	PEACE
PRESENT	REINDEER	RUDOLPH	SANTA	SLEIGH	SNOW	SNOWMAN
TREE						

Wishing everyone a very Happy Christmas from all at Crescent College Comprehensive

We hope you have a great Christmas and a Happy New Year in 2019.

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Remember send any articles to [crescentexpressnewsletter@crescentsj.com](mailto:crescentexpressnewsletter@crescentsj.com)





## Santa Hat Day in aid of Enable Ireland



Jodie pulls out all the stops



Staff members looking good in their jumpers



6th Year Students support the day .....for the last time





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## C.C.C. - CIAN'S CHRISTMAS CRACKERS

**Q: Who is a Christmas tree's favourite singer?**

A: Spruce Springsteen

**Q: What does Santa suffer from if he gets stuck in a chimney?**

A: Claustrophobia!

**Q: What do they sing at a snowman's birthday party?**

Freeze a jolly good fellow

**Q: What is the best Christmas present in the world?**

A: A broken drum, you just can't beat it!              Sorry Joe !!!

**Q: How did Scrooge win the football game?**

A: The ghost of Christmas passed!

**Q: How do snowmen get around?**

A: They ride an icicle!

**Q: What did Adam say to his wife on the day before Christmas?**

A: It's Christmas, Eve!

**Q: How many letters are in the Christmas alphabet?**

A: 25. There's "no EL"!

**Q: What athlete is warmest in winter?**

A: A long jumper!

By Conor Londra, Stephen Parks, Cian Hanrahan and Sean Fitzgerald.

