

December Edition 2019 Hopkins

### The Crescent Express





# Santa Hat Appeal day 2019 in aid of Enable Ireland

Wednesday the school held their annual Christmas Santa Hat and Christmas jumper Appeal Day In aid of **Enable Ireland**, well done to all who took part and especially to all the 6th years for putting on a wonderful colourful display as you can see.

So far the monies raised is 1000 euros

Thanks to everybody who supported this day



6th Years supporting Santa Hat Day 2019



6th years under the Christmas Tree



Well done to Jodie who looks amazing in her Sleigh!!!! Posing with Sarah our schools captain



We would like to wish all the teaching staff, students, staff and parents a very Happy Thristmas from all at Trescent Tollege Tomprehensive and the very best for the year



## School Show 2019





AD MAJOREM DEI GLORIAM

# <u>My Fair Lady</u>

After weeks of prepping, rehearsing, painting and acting, it is with great sadness that we can say "My Fair Lady" is officially over for this year. Last weekend- Friday the 22, Saturday the 23<sup>rd</sup> and Sunday the 24<sup>th</sup> of November-everyone in TY performed the musical "My Fair Lady" in front of audiences of over 400 people. This was an amazing experience for all concerned and the standard of professionalism shown by the students was the best yet, especially the outstanding performances by the main cast

We would like to thank everyone who attended and supported them during the shows. Every student gave their best effort each night and had great fun

We performed a spectacular show and the crowd was delighted with the professionalism of the show. Huge congratulations to the cast, chorus and the three people who put it all together- Lisa Bennett Quaid, Emma Chawke and Roisin Lavery.

A special thank you to Roisin Lavery her orchestra and choir, as well as lights, sound, the backstage crew and the choreographer Jamie Cusack for helping out with the show. We would also like to say thanks to Joe Fitzgerald for the fantastic set and all the TY students who helped create it. To Bill Sheehan and the construction crew for all the hard work on the stage and to everyone who helped on the nights of the show.

Having taken part in the show we have all benefitted hugely from this experience. We have all learned skills such as performing and speaking in front of audiences and working as a team cooperating and helping each other.

We have also bonded as a year and gained a huge confidence in ourselves. We are all so grateful to have had the opportunity to work together on a show and will always remember it as a highlight of our school lives.





Sally/Shanza







Alya Connelly

Sally Smith

Dylan Sweeney

Kallen Mc Carthy

Luke Sweeney

Liam Keary

Maeve Curtain

Rosemary Francis

Mariah Islam

Eliza Doolittle Mrs Higgins Professor Henry Higgins Colonel Hugh Pickering Alfred P Doolittle Freddy Eynsford-Hill Mrs Pearce Mrs Eynsford-Hill Maid in waiting

















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#### My Fair Lady School Show 2019



Barbara, Maeve and Anne enjoying the show on opening night.



TY Students who took part in My Fair Lady taking a break form rehearsals.











Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam



















### 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.











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!



#### **TY Christmas Dinner 2019**



Transition Years enjoying their Christmas Dinner on Wednesday 11th of December.









UL Taster Sessions for TY Student

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> of December a group of T.Y student attended an open day for college courses in UL. There was a variety of different lectures taking place on campus. We departed from the school at 9.30am and returned at 3.30pm. The lectures gave us insight into what third level education would be like. Some of the lectures



taking place included law and accounting, preforming arts, journalism and digital communication, economics, psychology, sociology and applied languages along with variety of others.

We also learned about life on campus from attending a talk on UL's Clubs and Societies.

The teachers that accompanied us on our trip were Peter Moloney, Ita Danaher and Leanne.

It was overall a very informative experience; we learned a lot about ourselves and about what we want to study when we move on to third level education.

Thank you to all the teachers and SNA s who travelled with us to UL.



Well done to Holly Doupe and Sarah Mc Donagh who presented a maths project in UL to an audience of over 300, this was no easy task and I'm sure we will see more of these two students in the coming years.









**Congratulations to Jake Murphy** 

Congratulations to Jake Murphy from the class of 2018/19 who got the first Crescent College Past Pupils scholarship from CLG.



Jake received the award from Eoin D Sullivan, Scholorship fund committee member and Crescent College Past Pupils Union President.

Also in the photo are Harry Mc Namara, Scholorship Fund Trustee, Orla Prendergast, Scholorship Fund Commettee member,Jake's proud mam and Principal Karin Flemin.



Jake meets some of his past teachers and staff at Crescent.







# The Youth Assembly





On Friday 15 November the country's first Youth Assembly on climate change took place in the Dáil. It took place to discuss and determine their proposals for next steps for Ireland on Climate Action. It is also part of the celebrations to commemorate Dáil100. More than 150 young people from all 26 counties gathered for the event in the Dáil.



Once the debate concluded, they announced their recommendations on climate change.

The event was a chance for the 157 young people, aged between 10 and 17, to discuss what Ireland needs to do to tackle climate issues.

Presenting the recommendations to the minister, Salim Kajani, a delegate from Dublin, said they did not come into the Dáil for nothing, and that he hoped Minister Bruton could at least consider the proposals and implement something along their demands. He said climate change is going to affect us all, and added that the fact that the Government is basically doing nothing is "sickening".

He asked if they all looked like clowns, because he felt everything the youth say is treated as a joke. He told the minister to look into the eyes of the children in front of him, because their future is in his hands.

A fifth year from Crescent College sj was also at the Youth Assembly; Iona Logan. After interviewing Iona she has said that she believes some real progress was made and that it was an amazing experience. "To me, climate change is the most urgent issue of our times.

Decisions made today will literally determine the future of life on earth as we know it."

Iona is an active member of Fridays for Future Limerick, striking every Friday she can, she is also a Climate Ambassador with An Taisce.

Iona Logan from Raheen says she hates "Christmas time when it's all about spending and consumerism"











### Irish Dance Championships.

I competed at the Muster Irish Championships in Killarney on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November. There were 74 girls in my competition and I came 4<sup>th</sup>. This is a qualifying competition for the world Irish Dance Championships

and I qualified, so I will compete at the worlds in Dublin in April 2020.

Rachel Kennedy. Well done Rachel we wish you the best of luck!









CHRISTMAS COOKIE RECIPE

This delicious cookie recipe is fun and easy to make.



Preparation time

It makes a de-

30 mins to 1 hour

Cooking time

10 to 30 mins

#### Ingredients

- 350g plain flour, extra for rolling out
- 1 tsp bicarbonate of soda175g light soft brown sugar
- 1 free-range egg
- 4 tbsp golden syrup
- 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.







### Crescent College Comprehensive Seniors Win City Cup!



Crescent College Comprehensive senior cup panel beat Ard Scoil Ris in the Senior school's city cup final in the back-pitch Thomond park. Ard Scoil opened the scoring with a try and kept that lead at half time despite out-half Ben Davey kicking a penalty making it 7-3 at half time to Ard Scoil Ris.

The score remained 7-3with 10 minutes left crescent crossed the line and a conversion by Ben Davey made it 10-7 crescent. With minutes remaining Crescent crossed the line for the second time and a conversion by Ben Davey made it 17-7. The full-time score was 17-7 to

Crescent.

Well done to all.





Principal Ms Karen Fleming receiving the cup from Barry Scott Crescent Captain, also in photo Mr Chris Cullinane.





Limerick's Schools Charity Cup Final





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On Friday the 13 th of December our Senior rugby team took on St Munchins in the third Limerick schools Dudley Herbert, Sean Conneely Charity Cup Derby ever. This game kicked off at 6 pm under lights in St Mary's RFC Corbally. After drawing last year our seniors were seeking revenge, unfortunately Crescent lost, we live to fight another year!

All money raised on the night went to the Children's Grief Centre.

Thanks two both teams and to everyone who supported this event, despite the weather there was a great turn out on the night of students ,parents, past pupils and players.













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#### Christmas Carols at Crescent College.



Crescent Choir rehearsing for the Christmas Carols performance which took place on Monday the 9th of December in the assembly area ,this is always a wonderful night and we would like to thank everyone who took part and especially to Ms Roisin Lavery for all her hard work and dedication. All who attended experienced a great night and took away the real meaning of Christmas .



# The Schools final assembly of 2019

Thanks to Roisin, choir and orchestra for performing a selection of Christmas favourites at the final assembly on Wednesday December 11th.







6th Year Sleep out in aid of Novas Over 2.300 euros raised.





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On Friday night the 13 of December the 6th years held their charity sleep out in aid of Novas Ireland. This was a particularly real experience for the students who took part, as it was a bitter cold, wet and blustery night to be out .

We thank the students who took part and helped raise over 2300 euros for Novas Ireland.

Novas Initiatives is a voluntary agency that works with single people, families and children who are disadvantaged and socially excluded., so this money will be very welcome and provide vital funds.

Thank you so much!!!



Thank you so much to the parents and students who served soup during the night of the charity sleep out.





Christmas Jumper and Santa Hat Day 2019 in aid of Enable Ireland raised over 1000 euros!





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













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

A: Spruce Springsteen

#### <u>*Q: What does Santa suffer from if he gets stuck in a chimney?*</u>

A: Claustrophobia!

#### <u>*Q: What do they sing at a snowman's birthday party?*</u>

Freeze a jolly good fellow

#### <u>*Q: What is the best Christmas present in the world?*</u>

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

#### <u> A: How did Scrooge win the football game?</u>

A: The ghost of Christmas passed!

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A: They ride an icicle!

#### <u>Q: What did Adam say to his wife on the day before</u> Christmas?

A: It's Christmas, Eve!

#### <u>*Q: How many letters are in the Christmas alphabet?*</u>

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

<u>**D:**</u> What athlete is warmest in winter?</u>

A: A long jumper!







