



Winter Round Up



Drama: In the run-up to Christmas students in the PLC Drama Course in our College of Further Education gave their annual performance under the keen directorship of Ms Roisin Loneragan. This year they performed Seeing Sense to student groups from twelve local Primary Schools. Many of the performances were staged in Marino College – this was a first. It was a pleasure to welcome so many young students to Marino. They were a keen audience and fully enjoyed the play.



Eileen Moran as a colourful Tina Turner in Seeing Sense.



Brian Burke as the prince and Robert Hughes as the jester in Seeing Sense.



Robert Hughes as the court jester in Seeing Sense.



Shauna Dowling and Lee Byrne put the final touches to the Christmas boxes.



5B and 5F canoe students face the plunge – what are they thinking?



Sarah Scurry dressed for the water.

Markievicz Christmas Boxes: During December students in Markievicz made up many special Christmas Boxes as presents for poor children in developing countries, under the supervision of their teacher Ms Yeates.

Trip to Baltinglass: In early November students from classes 5B and 5F headed down to county Wicklow to the Baltinglass Activity Centre for two full days of training in outdoor pursuits and team-building. They were accompanied by their year head Mr Deery and their tutors Ms Farrelly and Ms Burke. Activities included archery, rock climbing, canoeing, hill walking, abseiling, and team-building games. All, both students and teachers, fully participated. The trip was a great success. Everyone faced the physical challenges with gusto and they thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The group returned with bonds of friendship formed and deepened.



Carley Dowling, Megan Hynes, Peter Flood and Gerard Brennan all set to broadcast.

Radio Broadcast: Gerard Brennan, Carley Dowling, Peter Flood and Megan Hynes, under the guidance of Mr Gallagher, participated in Schools Sounds radio broadcast where they received training to compile a radio programme. The live nine minute programme was broadcast on Annalivia radio station in October where they interviewed Paul Caffrey. The students learned a lot and found the experience both “exciting and nerve-wracking”.



Lesley-Ann Kavanagh and Rachael Pigott looking wonderful!

Debs: In September our most recent past pupils celebrated their Debs in the Red Cow Inn. The night was a great success and everyone who was present thoroughly enjoyed the celebration.



First year students go through their paces in preparation for the JCSP Christmas Celebrations.

JCSP Christmas Celebrations: First year students following the Junior Certificate Schools Programme (JCSP) hosted a most enjoyable Christmas celebration of entertainment and refreshments in December for parents and students. Performances included a Nativity Play and a dance routine.

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Principal's New Year Message



Welcome to the first edition of the Marino College Newsletter in 2007.

I hope this newsletter will give you an insight into some of the wonderful things that have been happening in the college during 2006.

We celebrated our 70th birthday in September.

Our brand new kitchen opened in October.

The Google and Vision Scholarship programmes for 5th year students have continued throughout the year.

November saw us holding a successful Friendship Week.

Students now have the opportunity to study all subjects at higher level. This opens up huge opportunities for successful transfer to either college or employment. During November we also had Mathematics Week with many students winning maths competitions. On the sports field our teams have continued to bring the trophies home.

In December we began a homework club for first year students.

Students enjoyed outings to mountains, museums, spiritual retreats, skating, cinema and a lot more. Our top attendees were rewarded with a two night trip to Liverpool where they watched a premiership match and visited both football grounds.

Our Junior Certificate Schools Programme (JCSP) students put on a wonderful Christmas celebration in December.

Many classrooms have been equipped with the best audio visual equipment.

We are now looking forward to a successful 2007. The first big event is our entry into the young Scientist Exhibition, and we congratulate third year student Caroline Conway on her ambitious project.

Marino College is now enrolling students for first year to start in September 2007. Please call the college for a prospectus and an application form.

I hope everyone has an enjoyable and prosperous 2007.

James Moran

Friendship Week



Chelsea Spain
Winners of the Friendship Week Art Competition in Pearce and Connolly.



Darryl McCarthy

We are aware of the hurt bullying can cause to students and we are committed to Marino College being a bully-free school. To raise students' awareness of bullying and to encourage friendliness we held a successful Friendship Week in November. Activities included essay competitions, drama performances by Youth Action Group and poster displays by the students. Also, the topics of friendship and bullying were highlighted in all classes. Feed-back from the students was positive. This week was a step in the ongoing process to foster good relations between students.



Darryl, Jessica, Shauna and Adam relax on a restful, shady branch, on the First Year Hill Walk.

Young Scientist Entrant 2007



The 2007 BT Young Scientist and Technology Exhibition in the RDS recently came to a close. This year Marino's entry was one of 500 projects selected out of over 1000 applications. This is the fourth entry by Marino College in as many years. Caroline Conway, a third year student, under the guidance of her teacher Ms P. Dalton looked at Experiences of Ireland's Teenagers: drugs, alcohol and tobacco use. This is Caroline's second year as an entrant to the Young Scientist Exhibition. Last year she worked with her classmate Rachel Menton.



Scholarship in Information Technology 2007



Each year new first year students can qualify for enrolment on the Scholarship in Information Technology project, which will focus on using the best of notebook PC technology to assist, expand, and accelerate student learning.

The key features of this project are:

Students on the programme will receive the use of a brand new laptop computer which will be used for the duration of their second level education in Marino College. The laptop will become their own property after the students complete the Leaving Certificate examinations. The students on this project will use their laptops as an educational and learning tool in as many subjects as possible. This access to technology across the curriculum opens up more avenues for acquiring new learning leading to greater success in school. The world that our students will be part of when they finish school will be digital. They will need to be skilled in the use of computers and digital technology.

The laptops, specialized books and equipment will be supplied free of charge.

The computer does not replace books, copies and homework. The laptop will be an additional and powerful learning tool.



Nicola Murphy looks ready for work with a brand new laptop.



Julia Gorskova using a laptop as an educational aid.



Home Economics Room: The long-awaited opening of the Home Economics room happened in October. It is now a state of the art kitchen with all the mod cons needed for students to excel in creating culinary delights. Our tummies are rumbling already!

New Science Room

Our brand new science room is up and running. It is equipped with the latest technology and science equipment.



Gemma Bagdonaite investigates the feeding habits of fish.



Vira Melik-Davydova studies plant tissue.

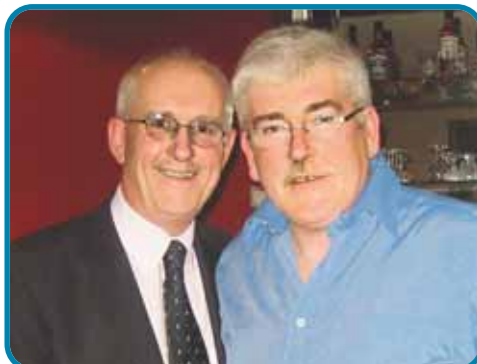
Maths Week



The Junior Cycle maths quiz winners were maths buffs Rebecca Coyle 3rd Year, and Sinead McDermott 2nd Year.

Retirement of Two Staff Members

In December we celebrated the retirement of two valued staff members. Between them they clock up almost 60 years service as teachers and as assistant principals in the CDVEC.



Liam Martin is congratulated by the Principal Mr Martin at his retirement celebration.



Aine Caulfield accepts a bouquet of flowers from the Principal Mr Martin at her retirement celebration.

Maths Week: In November Marino College participated in the National Maths Week which was organised nationwide by NUI Maynooth. Ms Farrelly ran the event in Marino to raise the awareness of maths throughout the school as an attractive and fun activity. It came to a close with an hour-long problem solving quiz which included logical puzzles and other exciting problems to tease the mind.

The Editor would like to thank all those who contributed to this edition.



Sports and Outdoor Activities



Boys Football: Thomas, Samuel, Nickey, Marlon, William, Sean and Vlad of the first year boys football team.



Girls Gaelic Football Team: Danika, Janine, Emma, Kirsty, Ciara, and Leanne who have qualified for the Dublin Quarter-finals of the Leinster Ladies Competition.



Ivy Hill-Walk: Nikita McDonagh, Fiona Molloy, and Danika Skeen enjoying the Ivy Hill-Walking trip.



Pearce Hill-Walk: Kellie, Joslyn, Nikita, and Haley take a break on the Pearce Hill-Walking trip.



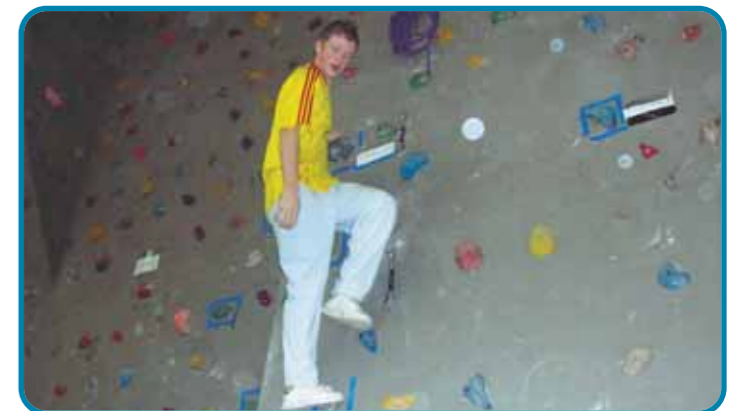
What a View! Stephen Byrne and Nickey Brown still looking fit and well having reached the summit.



Raincoats Group: 5 B students Shauna Rooney, Lisa Ledden, and Sarah Scurry with their tutor Ms J. Farrelly ready for the bad weather.



Ice Skating: 6F and 6B Ice Skating on the outdoor rink at Smithfield in December.



Bouldering: Eric Doran, who won first place in the Intermediate Boys City of Dublin Vocational Schools Competition, carefully looks for his footholds.