

Presentation Times





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Hello,

I am Maeve Cuddigan and I am the editor of Pres Times. Welcome to another exciting edition of our schools magazine !

We aim to publish every month; where we will discuss recent topics and events happening in the school, Listowel and around the world.

We will provide a snapshot of school life as we navigate the coming academic year. Make sure to follow us online.

All the best,

Maeve

23 AUGUST 2024

Welcome to Presentation Listowel

On August 23rd, we welcomed two classes of first years to Presentation Listowel. On a day which consisted of great fun and activities, our TY students did their upmost to welcome and mentor the new students. After bonding games, chats and a tour of the school, our first years were feeling much more settled in and ready for this new chapter of their lives.





School News



Extra Curricular Activities

The Pres Listowel under 19 football team played their first game of the West Area competition. They played Causeway Comprehensive School in Causeway on the 16th of September and unfortunately came just short of a score line 2-5 to 4-9 to Causeway.

Our first junior team played Pres Tralee on the 19th of September, winning the match 8-5 to 1-12 in Na Gaeil. Our second junior team also had their first game on the 21st against Pres Milltown in Listowel and played a tough game but sadly lost.

Both our under 16 and under 19 basketball teams played Pobalscoil Chorca Dhuibhne on the 24th of September. Our under 16 team beat Dingle with the score line of 37-31. Unfortunately our under 19 team lost 54-27.





Congratulations!

On Friday the 23rd of August, Presentation Secondary School Listowel buzzed with excitement as they celebrated their fantastic Leaving Certificate results with the class of 2024.

What marked the significant day of celebrations -

The doors opened at 10:30 to welcome our class of 2024 to collect their results and to chat to their former teachers. Minister Norma

Foley visited our school to congratulate our girls on their achievements. Students, parents and friends of Pres Listowel were invited to celebrate with us in our school canteen, where refreshments and lively chat ensued. We were delighted to welcome many media platforms to our school including TG4 and RTE news.

We would like to wish class of 2024 all the best for the future.

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School life for an exchange student

Today I'm going to talk to you about my first week in an Irish school and what were my first feelings and opinions; was it difficult? Or was it easy? Also I'm going to tell some tips that hope will help new students at school.



My first day in the school (Presentation Secondary school Listowel) was a little bit difficult because I didn't understand many of the staff and students because of their Irish accents and fast tempo when speaking. In my first classes I was a bit nervous and afraid because all the time I was thinking; I will not pass my exams, I'm not going to make friends... But all fears with time disappeared and everything is much better with a little patience.

TIPS:

Some things that you must do if you come to study in another country and to another school is work hard and study a lot. If in your classes you don't understand something, tell the teacher and the teacher will help you with no problem. Don't be afraid and ask. It's very important that you are organized because if you don't, your year is going to be a disaster and then you aren't going to pass your exams and projects. Besides that, is very important that you go to the trips/excursions that school or friends proposed to you. This will help you to make friends, and these friends will make your experience unforgettable.





Transition Year News



Ty Trip to Ballyhass

On Tuesday, the 10th of September, the TY class went on a trip to Ballyhass Adventure Centre in Cork. They left at 7 am and arrived in Ballyhass at 8:30 am. Their first activity was an inflatable obstacle course on water followed by lunch where they could buy pizza, hot chocolate, croissants and a variety of other sweet treats. After lunch, the TYs were given harnesses and helmets and were brought over to the ziplines, and even the teachers got involved. The TYs then took part in a team building activity where they raced to stack crates under someone who was harnessed in. Their final activity was archery. The TYs competed with each other in a variety of challenges. They left Ballyhass at 4 pm and returned home at 6 pm. All the girls agreed that it was a very enjoyable experience and that they would love to go again.



Explore *The Burren with us* **TRANSITION YEAR**



TRIP SUMMARY

Students departed Listowel at 7am and embarked on an adventure of a lifetime. Arriving shortly after 9, students were welcomed by the lovely staff and arranged into groups to set off on their activities. Later that evening the TYs settled down and began to make their dinner, there was a wide variety of dishes made and many close calls but in the end everyone enjoyed a lovely meal. The next morning students had an early start and completed the last of their activities. They had a fantastic time and highly recommend it to future TYs.

WHAT THE ACTIVITIES LOOK LIKE

- Caving
- Snorkelling
- Swimming
- Build a Raft
- Rock climbing and abseiling
- Archery
- Kayaking

ABOUT THE BURREN

The Burren is not a barren and boring museum of stones, monuments and scientific curiosities. Quite the contrary, it is a living place teeming with nature's bounty: ordinary and exotic rocks, plants, animals, insects and birds. It's geology and diverse habitats are packed with startling features and surprising landforms.

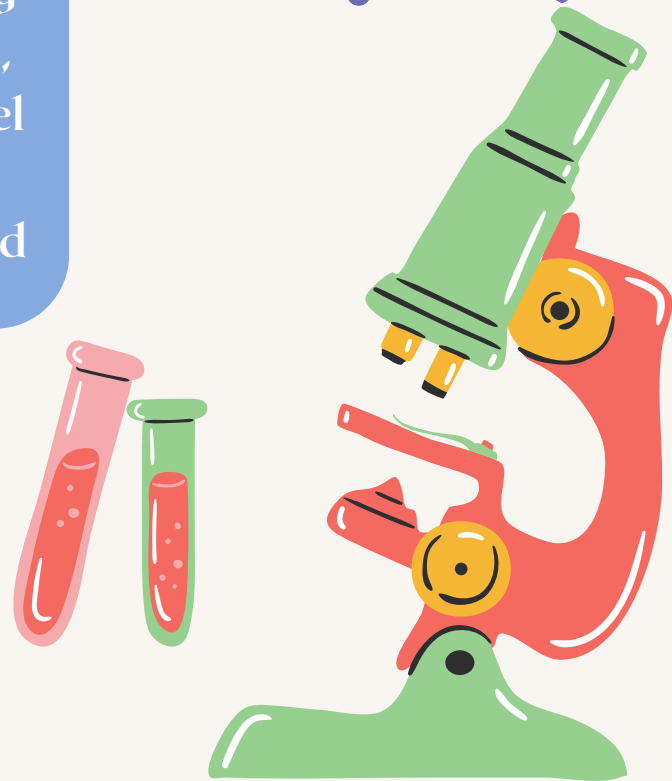
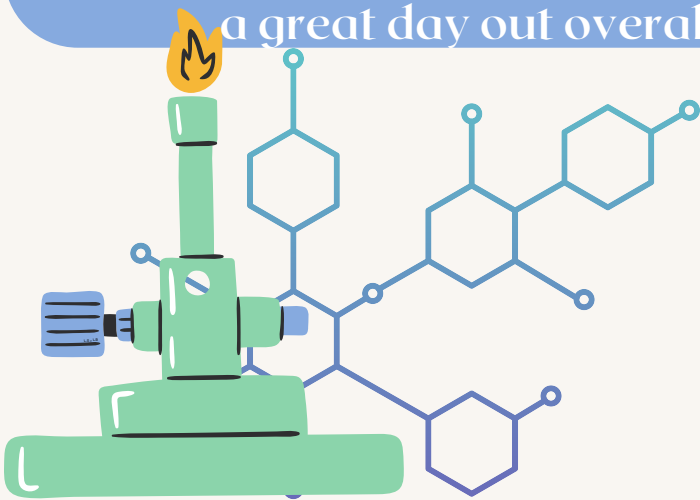
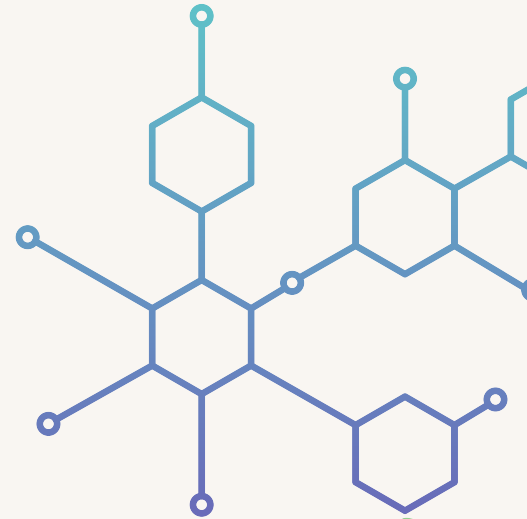
STEM Passport for Inclusion



The TY class went to Maynooth University in Killorglin on the 18th of September. The All-Ireland STEM Passport for Inclusion programme addresses inequalities with access to STEM careers among secondary school students in socially disadvantaged communities. The programme runs over three Wednesdays, between September and November.



The TYs left the school at half seven in the morning and they arrived at nine o'clock. Students took part in various science activities such as coding using a micro-bit, playing fun STEM games, learning how to evaluate data on excel spreadsheets and speaking with mentors about future careers. TYs had a great day out overall!



THE PLOUGHING

With less than two weeks until one of Europe's largest outdoor events, preparations in Ratheniska, Co Laois are seriously taking shape as this green field in the middle of Ireland transforms into the bustling hub that will become #Ploughing2024 taking place on September 17th, 18th & 19th.

There will be millions of euro worth of agricultural and plant machinery on display featuring an extensive range of cutting-edge agricultural technology and equipment. The leading manufacturers and agents will be present with specialist sales advisors and technical experts available for free consultations. There has already been huge interest to enter the prestigious 'Machine of the Year' competition.

Visitors can take the opportunity to admire the marvellous quality livestock on display and learn about livestock management, genetics, nutrition and healthcare.

All of the firm favourite attractions are set to return this year such as Fashion Shows, Meggers, Sheep Shearing, Hunt Chase, Fun Fair, Food Trail, Craft Demonstrations, Pony Games, Live Music and Dancing, Vintage Ploughing, Threshing, Fun Fair, Loy Digging, with celebrities and well known faces everywhere this year's 'Ploughing' is not to be missed.





News



The Olympics 2024



The Olympics is an international multi-sport event that occurs every 4 years in the Summer. The Olympics ran from Jul 26, 2024, to Aug 11, 2024. They were hosted in Paris, France. Over 10,000 athletes competed this year, 204 nations competing for the top prize. The 2024 Olympics were a great success, selling 9.5 million tickets. Read on for more details!

The United States topped the competition with an impressive total of 126 medals, followed by China with 91 medals, and Britain in third place with 65 medals. French athlete Leon Marchand earned the most gold medals in swimming at the Olympics, achieving this remarkable feat in just 2 hours, and he walked away with 4 medals overall. Renowned gymnast Simone Biles also secured 4 medals, bringing her total to 11 Olympic medals and 30 World Championship medals, making her the most decorated gymnast in history.

Chinese swimmer Zhang Yufei tops the overall medal tally with an impressive six medals. Numerous other athletes delivered outstanding performances at the Olympics, notably the USA team, which secured gold in women's gymnastics.

Many great performers attended the Olympics 2024 in Paris such as Lady Gaga and Celine Dion, who had the greatest attraction at the opening ceremony with "Hymne à L'Amour." Snoop Dogg and Salma Hayek performed in the opening ceremony and had the honour of being the torchbearers at the opening ceremony. Philippe Katerine, the duo, performed the song "Supernature" by Cerrone. Philippe Katerine sang the song while Cerrone accompanied him with drums. Additionally, Beyoncé performed the hit song "YA YA."

Simone Biles

Lady Gaga

Zhang Yufei





Kerry Ladies Victorious



On the 5th of August 2024, the Kerry ladies became the winners of the 2024 TG4 All-Ireland Ladies Senior Football Championship to win the Brendan Martin cup.

Kerry bested Galway 3-14 to 0-11 in Croke Park in front of a crowd of 30,340.

The player of the match award was presented to Kayleigh Cronin, Dr Crokes, who played full back. The team was captained by Niamh Carmody, originally from Ballylongford but plays with Finuge/St Senan's.

Kerry ladies hadn't won an All Ireland since 1993 when they won against Laois with a score line of 4-8 to 2-6.

The Kerry Ladies had homecomings in Killarney, Tralee, St Senan's and Ballylongford.



RACE DAY INSPO

OH POLLY

Oh Polly is a perfect site with multiple dresses and clothing items suitable for the races and many over events similar. The prices range but most items are at a suitable price. Shipping ranges from 3 to 7 days considering where you live.



PRETTYLITTLETHING

Prettylittlething is another perfect website with multiple choice for a race day outfit it is cheap and affordable and shipping takes between 4 and 7 days considering where you live. This site is very popular amongst people looking for clothing of this event it is also a suitable site for footwear.



OH HELLO

Oh hello is another website with multiple choice outfits to choose from for this kind of event. The prices range but they would be considered dear. The clothing is of high quality and can be worn multiple times for multiple occasions. Shipping ranges from 5 to 7 days. Reviews are positive which reflect on the companies clothing standards.





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