

October 2023



Meitheal leaders 2023-2024

Our 36 Meitheal Leaders have had a very busy but fun 1st term helping our new 1st year students make the transition to secondary school. Following their training during the summer, they were well equipped to help out during the induction days for 1st years and they have been there daily to ensure that any issues or problems are speedily resolved. Our Meitheal Leaders are currently organising a fantastic Halloween party with lots of scary fun and games.

Well done and thank you for all your work.



A word from the Principal

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope this newsletter finds you well as we approach the end of the first half term of the academic year.

I couldn't be prouder of our amazing students and dedicated staff; they are what make our school what it is. I am very proud of them all and our school.

From academic achievements to extracurricular accomplishments, our students have truly shone bright this term. They continue to inspire us with their hard work, creativity, and passion for learning.

Our students have truly excelled in their academic pursuits, showcasing their dedication and hard work. From outstanding test scores to creative projects and community involvement, their accomplishments continue to inspire us all.

I would also like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to our exceptional staff members. Their unwavering commitment to providing a nurturing and stimulating learning environment has been instrumental in our students' success. Their passion and dedication are truly commendable.

As we approach Halloween, let's embrace the festive spirit and have some fun!

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to making Presentation Wexford an extraordinary place of learning and growth. Together, we can achieve greatness.

Warm regards,

Billy Ryan



On Thursday 12th October1st year students welcomed their parents Guardians and siblings to tour the school and see how well the have settled into Presentation Wexford.

This event gave parents/Guardians a chance to meet their child's new friends and make new connections with other parents.

Thank you to the TY refreshments committee who served teas and treats on the night.

Bonjour Sarah!



We are so lucky to have another French language assistant this year. Sarah is such a help to students and teachers alike.

Questions and answers:

Where do you come from?

I'm from Southern France, more specifically the towns of Alès and Montpellier.

Had you ever been in Ireland before this year?

I was in Ireland for a week as a 5th year. We mostly visited Dublin, and I absolutely loved it.

What are your first impressions of Wexford?

It's a charming city in a lovely setting, full of lovely people. It's all very wet though.

What are you hoping for this year?

I'm hoping to grow as a person. I want to discover as much of Ireland as I can, but my primary goal is to be there for the students.

What's your favourite French word?

Fichtre

What's your favourite English word?

Stride

What languages can you speak or have you studied?

French, English, Spanish, and I've briefly studied Italian and Latin



First years - first to get VSware positive behaviour

Parents Council quiz night

Presentation Wexford's Parent's Association organised another very successful and fun table quiz on Thursday 12th October for all 1st year students and their families. A huge thank you to all the local businesses who sponsored this event and well done to the winning teams.











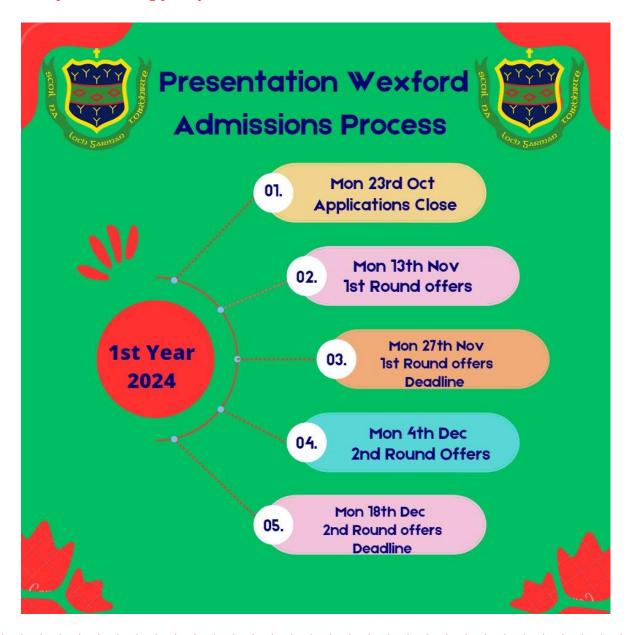
Congrats to all our winners, thank you to all the particpants and the generous sponsors!!



Fun in the rain at Emerald park

Our 6th year Students enjoyed a fun day in Emerald Park on September 15th despite the rain. It was a great day for students to bond and make memories as they started their final year in Presentation Wexford.

Information for incoming first years:



Welcome to all our new and returning members of the Parents Council 2023-24

The Parent's Association of Presentation Wexford held their AGM ON 26th September. Several new members were welcomed by chairperson Mary Donohoe and future fundraising activities, including their annual table quiz, were planned. Thank you to our PA who are a very important part of our school.

New members are always welcome.





Senior Camogie

Our Senior Camogie team lost their first game of the year 3-9 to 5pts to a very strong St.Mary's New Ross team.

We bounced back with a good 4-11 to 1-11 win against FCJ Bunclody.

We play Colaiste Bride in the coming weeks with the winner going into the Leinster QF and loser going out of the competition.

Junior Camogie

Our Junior team got their campaign off to a great start with a hard fought win in tough conditions against Colaiste Bride. Final score 0-15 to 0-08.

Junior 7's

Our Junior 7's team got to the final of the Leinster blitz, losing out to Mountrath in the final.

WELCOME TO OUR NURTURE ROOM

We are delighted to have this new space in our school. Students can really benefit with this new room, with our breakfast club in the mornings and lunch time activities. It is designed to be "a home away from home."

Lots of different activities happen here including Art & Crafts, games, baking, cooking and having a chat over a cup of tea. It's a place where students can relax and get away from the stress of everyday school life. Sometimes, we ne a break from the hectic hallways of the morning school rush. It is a calm and relaxing environment where you can recharge and regulate, because sometimes, we just need a moment to calm ourselves.



Amy Byrne 6th Year, Izzy Cullen 2nd Year







'My Memories' Exhibition by Heba Haj Habo

Past student Heba Haj Habo's solo exhibition 'My Memories' is currently on display in D'Lush café at Wexford Arts Centre. This series of powerful oil paintings was created during the summer of 2022, when Heba was awarded a full scholarship to attend the teen program at the Cow House studios. They depict her feelings and observations of her voyage with her family from Syria to Greece aged 10 to 13. Heba attended the Presentation from 2018 to 2023 and excelled in her Visual art classes during her time in school, winning the Visual Art award. She also worked on painting the mural in the Oasis room.

The exhibition opened on 13th October and continues until the 16th November.

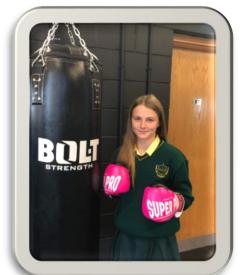
Ms. Carr and Ms. Kelly attended the opening and congratulated Heba on this fantastic achievement.





European bronze medal for Sophie!

2nd year student Sophie Lawlor, Rang Sorcha brought home a bronze medal from the 2023 European Schools Championship. The tournament was hosted by the Slovenian Boxing Federation in Maribor in



August and was the culmination of months of preparation by Sophie and the rest of Team Ireland. Sophie boxes with the Wexford CBS club and her hard work and dedication to her sport will surely be rewarded with more medals in the future. The whole school community is very proud of Sophie's achievements on the European stage.



Students around the globe



On 26th October our Students Around the Globe Group visited Wexford Arts centre to see past pupil Heba Haj Habo's exhibition. They enjoyed viewing Heba's amazing paintings and loved their hot chocolate!



Meanwhile....

Our Students Across the Globe group are busy finalising their plans for Multicultural Day which will take place on November 13th. Following on from the success of last years event, we have lots of enthusiasm, great ideas and plans to showcase our home and heritage countries, alongside delicious foods from across the world for us to sample!

Members of the group are also busy working with Ms Kelly on a fantastic mural to depict the many parts of the world that students come from or are linked to.

On November 13th we will also welcome Schools of Sanctuary Ireland for their monitoring visit to us, as we continue with our work to ensure that our school is a welcoming and inclusive place for all.

Transition year play in full rehersal









Rehearsals are well underway for our TY Musical along with the CBS Wexford, which is back again after a hugely successful 'Beauty and the Beast' last year! This year's production will be 'Aladdin Jr - the Broadway Musical' and will be staged in our own Concert Hall in the New Year. The show will feature over 100 TYs from both schools onstage and the remainder of the year group will contribute by helping with costumes, props, set building and painting, selling programmes etc along with a range of other jobs. Mr Cogley is directing the musical whilst Ms Mahon and Ms A Redmond are running the musical element of the show, helped out by Mr Walsh and Ms Power from the CBS. Jonny Smith is back to choreograph the musical and it is bound to be another huge success! Keep an eye on social media for details on show dates and for when tickets will be available!



Basketball news



The u16s started their campaign with an away win versus Ramsgrange, backed up by wins over Our Lady of Lourdes Rosbercon, St Mary's New Ross and finishing the groups stages with a win over Loreto away.

A winner of the group, we now progress to the Southeast quarter finals with the benefit of home advantage. We will host Creagh College when we return after midterm.

The seniors also recorded aways win over Ramsgrange and Loreto and we top our group with a win in our final game against Loreto.

As with the u16s, topping the group means home advantage in the quarter finals and will meet Colaiste Bride Enniscorthy in the quarterfinal on Tuesday 7th November, with home advantage.

Training continues for first years every Tuesday after school with Mr Sultana at the helm and on Wednesdays for second years with Ms Colfer. Matches for both first and second years will commence in January.



Pres Poets



Once again @preswexlib could not be prouder of our Pres poets. Well done to Leaigh TY & Teegan 1st year-on your confident performances and congratulations to our winners Oliver TY & Sophie 3rd year.

Enjoy your mid term break!

