



BRUNELL'S MVPS

by Ava O'Mahony and Emma Carmody



On the 8th of September 2022, we started our season with Brunell Basketball. I, Ava O'Mahony, was under 13s and Emma Carmody was under 12s. We played matches against teams all over Munster. We won some and lost others. It was a really fun season, we both enjoyed it.

It was coming to the end of the season in February 2023. We worked extremely hard all season and our coaches, Troy and Gary for under 13s and

Denise and Dave for under 12s, started to pick players who improved the most. On the 14th of April, it was the night of all the juvenile awards for Brunell. At 9:30, they started the awards. After a few awards, my coach made a speech and Emma Carmody was awarded MVP (Most Valuable Player).

"I was so proud. I went to collect my award and I got a picture with Edel Thorthon" Emma reported cheerfully.

Next it was under 13s and Ava O'Mahony was chosen as her team's MVP.

"I walked up and I got a picture with Dommy Mullins." Ava reported proudly. They finished the juvenile awards and we danced, took pictures and ate sweets. We are so proud, we hope there is many more to come!



Feis Maitiú Win

by Arsema Fetsum



Tara from Spotlight Performance helped us prepare. There were four groups in the competition. Some groups were boys and girls mixed and some were all girls. First, we sat in our seats after getting a taxi. Then a guy said some things like "blah, blah, schools blah, blah" – sorry I wasn't paying attention because we were all nervous. Then the lights went down. It was like a live cinema!

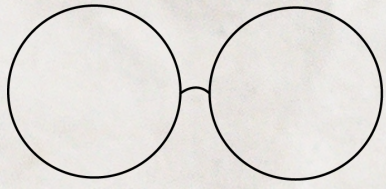
The first group went on stage and we were next. Before the results, we had a snack break. Yum! The results were announced. The class that came first screamed ten times – I repeat ten times! But the great news was we came in second place! We were delighted to represent fourth class of Scoil Aiséirí Chríost. The best bit was when we heard the results.

New Student in 3rd Class



1. **What is your name?** My name is Moriom.
2. **Where are you from?** I'm from Italy.
3. **Tell me something you like about Italy.** I like Italy because I had a garden to play in.
4. **What do you like about Bangladesh?** My granddad lives there.
5. **Tell me something you like about Ireland.** I like Ireland because I found a nice teacher.

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Real Reviews



Games:

Hogwarts Legacy

by Shannon Healy



If you like the Harry Potter movies or books you will love this game. There is about 20-25 hours of gametime if you skip through most of the exploration and additional content. Playing on easy mode will make it a little shorter. So, there will be some tiny spoilers so watch the movies or read the books first. This is a game you can play many times, there are 3 different endings and each house has different tasks, in one house you can go to Azkaban and its quite cool. It has a lot of action and adventure, you get to go to different classes to learn different things like herbology, and defense against the dark arts. You make a lot of friends with some tasks relevant to the story. This story may be a bit frightening for younger players, it is PG 12 due to moderate violence (you must defeat enemies) and use bad language although there are no curse words just mild language. There are a lot of things you can find just by exploring like caves and tombs. Over all, Hogwarts Legacy is one of the best games I ever played! And its up in the top three with Portal 1 and 2 which are my favourite games. I recommend saving up money for it. I hope this was helpful if you didn't know to get it or not.

Books:

Harry Potter

by Yasmin Reid

Harry has black hair, green eyes and a lightning scar on his head. When he was younger Voldemort came to kill his parents. He tried to kill Harry but he just gave him a scar on his head. Hagrid came to bring him to his Aunt Petunia and Uncle Vernon's house. They had a son named Dudley. When Harry was 11, Hagrid came to bring him to Hogwarts. He went to the train station the platform was 9 ¾. He followed a woman and four boys going through a wall and made it onto the train. And a boy named Ron asked if he could sit next to him. They made it to the school, Hogwarts, and Harry and Ron got put into Gryffindor by the sorting hat. They also met a girl named Hermione. She was in Gryffindor too. So, they all went together to the Gryffindor dorm. My favourite character is Harry Potter. I give this book five stars and I recommend it for anyone in 2nd class or up.



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The First Confession

by **Kourtney Cronin Morey**



For my first confession, I crimped my hair and put pigtails in it. I left some hair out and then put bows in and then I got dressed. I went to the church and I walked up to the priest. After that I went home and my mum got me a big lollipop. After that I went to bed.

Second Class's Big Day

by **Abbie O'Rourke**

Second class made their confession on the 27th of February. We had so much fun. I met my friends at the church. We sang two songs. That's all I can remember.



Countdown to the Communion

by **Kelly-Ann Cronin Morey**

My name is Kelly-Ann Cronin Morey and I am in Second Class. My classroom number is Room 19. It is so close to my Communion. Last week, I got my dress in Cinderella's Closet, I was so happy. I also got my shoes. My dress is so pretty. My twin, Kourtney Cronin Morey, also got her dress in Cinderella's Closet. She got her shoes there too. And I can't wait to wear my dress.

Confession Session

by **Cassie Cronin**

My first confession was on 27th of February 2023 and everyone was there. I had so much fun but I was also a bit scared because my teacher was not there, but I did it in the end and it was fun. We talked, we sang and it was fun in the church. I wanted to go again and my mam said that I can do it any day. So, I told my mam I like it. She agreed and she saw the feet paintings we made in school. I loved them making them and seeing them in the church.



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SPORTS STARS



Dynamic Gymnastics by Alisha Delurey

Gymnastics is a sport that you learn tricks like flips and handstands. There are lots of hard tricks you can learn like tricks on beams and bars you swing on. It is harder than you think. The training is also difficult. You have to do push-ups and running on the spot for 60 seconds and you do competitions. I only had three competition so far and in my first got an 9.87 and in my second I got a 10!

My next competition is Friday. After the competition, when I get home I will go to sleep straight away because it starts at 4 o'clock and it ends at 6 o'clock. Then I need to wake up the next day and go to gymnastics again and again, it is very fun though. I have to pay €110 every day, sometimes I don't go though because I don't want to. Wish me luck for Friday!

Tradic Times in Ireland

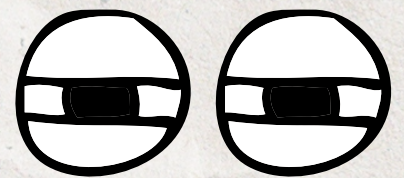
by Vanessa McNamara



A famine is a widespread scarcity of food caused by several factors including war, natural disasters, crop failure, population imbalance, widespread poverty, an economic catastrophe or government policies. The famine spread through Ireland so fast. A disease called blight got to the potato crops affecting them terribly. The Great Famine was caused by a failure of the potato crop. Many people relied on potatoes for most of their nutrition. The famine caused half of the population to die and also hurt many people.

Friday the 13th...

by Grace O'Meara

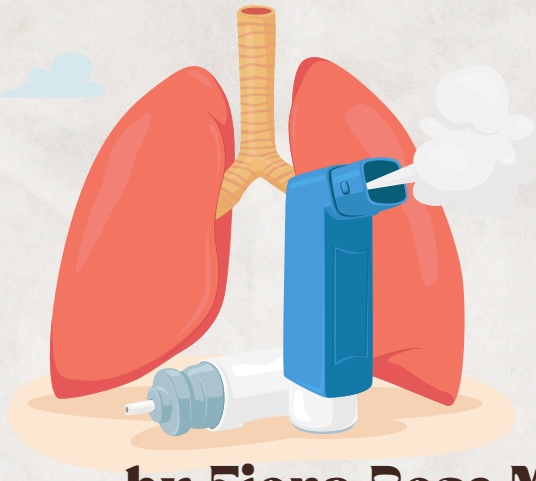


Thursday the 12th: It was a weird morning. Everyone was panicking about tomorrow the 13th.

Friday the 13th: It was a weird morning again but it was weirder than yesterday. Nobody was at home so I just went out, but nobody was there either! While I was walking somebody tapped my shoulder. I turned around and I saw my sister standing behind me, but her eyes were black and she wasn't talking. I ran away as fast as I could. While I was running, I saw my friend and screamed, his name is Max, I screamed when I saw him.... You will see what happens next in the next edition!

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What is Asthma?



by **Fiona Rose Manual**

Asthma is a condition that causes breathing problems. This happens because airways in the lungs get swollen, smaller and filled with mucus. Asthma is common in kids and teens. Mostly, you can get asthma at the age of 0-6 years old. Asthma can go away although this happens more often when asthma starts in childhood. Autumn and winter is when asthma gets worse because it can be infections such as a cold or flu. Well, that's it for now. I hope you now know what asthma is!

The Best School Ever

by **Emily McGrath**

This school is the best and the teachers are lovely and the SNAs. You can meet lots of friends there and there are lots of things to do at school. You can do art, football and basketball.

My favourite day in school was when my SNA gave me markers and notebooks. Ms Cooney is very kind. Ms Lombard is the kindest teacher.

I'm so lucky to be in this school.



The Rhodesian Ridgeback



by **Katie Cahalane**

The Rhodesian Ridgeback is a dog breed. The Rhodesian Ridgeback is a trim shorthaired dog with hanging ears and a glossy yellowish brown to reddish brown coat. It stands 24 to 27 inches (61-69cm) tall at the withers and weighs 70-85 pounds (32-39kg). Ridgebacks usually live about 10-12 years although this will depend on their environment, training and level of socialisation. Rhodesian Ridgebacks are originated from Rhodesia, South Africa and Zimbabwe. Originally bred to pursue lions, Rhodesian Ridgebacks are superb hunters. The Rhodesian Ridgeback is brilliant at tracking prey. The breed is also known as the African Lion Hound due to their history in helping to hunt lions in the Savannah. Along with the Ridgebacks hunting skills they are speedy enough to keep pace with some of the fastest dog breeds. The Rhodesian Ridgeback is not the only type of Ridgeback there are 3 type of Ridgebacks the Rhodesian which is the one I'm talking about and the two others are the Thai ridgeback and the Phu Quoc Ridgeback.



(This is my Rhodesian Ridgeback. His name is Simba and he is 4 years old.)

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