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Our Teresian Family and the Future

We are told that Jesus went into the wilderness for forty days and nights and we call this time Lent. As Teresians we are lucky in that when we go on our travels we will find friends all over the world. Since Christmas we have met our Teresian friends in Barcelona and La Linea and we will meet them in Peru this summer. Our Exchange students are with our Teresian friends in Madrid and Valencia right now, and we will welcome those friends to our school next year.

Two weeks ago I visited Colegio El Armelar in Valencia, (<http://colegioelarmelar.org/>) Nuestra Señora de los Ángeles and El Colegio Santa Teresa in Alicante (<http://www.colegiolosangelesalicante.org/>) (<http://www.colegiosantateresa.org.es/index2.htm>)

I met with our students on exchange in Valencia. I also engaged in intensive discussions with the Principals and teachers of all three schools. Each school was very different but I was struck by how clearly our Teresian identity came out in all of them. I strongly believe that we will work together to provide all of our students with special educational opportunities. Having had a great Solidarity Week this year, it was gratifying to see each school in Spain reaching out and sharing their strength with Teresian projects



A WORD FROM THE PRINCIPAL

around the world also. I am particularly indebted to Nieves Ara, who is involved in the management of the schools in Spain, for linking me to everyone there. These links will be shared by all of us in the future.

We are all symbols of how successful St. Pedro Poveda's vision was and we are his living legacy. All schools have their challenges. The wilderness is always there. But Easter is a time for renewal, and this is what we all have to look forward to.

ANTHONY CARTY
Principal

YOUNG SCIENTIST

BT Young Scientist

We competed in the BT Young Scientist Exhibition in January of this year in the RDS. The project was titled 'Is Sugar a Poison?' Our project was about how sugar is a poison and we investigated the sugar levels in different food and drink types. We found that sugar is present in highly unnatural levels in all processed foods and drinks that we buy daily. At the exhibition we were judged and we were also interviewed by various companies and by Irish TV. We received a Highly Commended Award in our category. We would definitely recommend entering the BT Young Scientist Exhibition as it was an extremely worthwhile experience.



By Clara O'Carroll and Emma Russell, Transition Year

LA LINEA, SPAIN

First Year trip to Spain

On Thursday the 5th of March, twenty five first years went to La Linea, Spain. We participated in EDIT 2015 which is an annual sports weekend for many Teresian schools to meet up. It was a very exciting trip. Vivienne and Nikki brought us and we had great fun. On Thursday, after our flight to Malaga airport, we took a two hour bus ride to La Linea. The next day we went up the mountains and participated in sports such as rock climbing and archery. We then took a tour around the city of La Linea. The next day we took part in team sports like basketball and UNI hock.

Sunday was our last day, and we went to a big stadium where we competed in athletics. Mollie O'Kelly won first place in high jump and the Teresian school relay team won first as well.

India Costello, 1st Year



FIPA, FRANCE



Molly Whelan's trip to France

On 20th January I flew out to Biarritz, in the south of France, where every year for the past 28 years FIPA has been held. FIPA is the international festival of audio-visual programmes, a festival entirely dedicated to all things television: series, documentaries, films and investigation and reports. This last category is where I come in. For the past 14 years FIPA have organised the Young Europeans Jury, 13 French speaking teenagers from around Europe chosen to deliberate on investigations and to award one of them. Every year a series of countries is prioritised during the search for members. Ireland this year was prioritised. There were only two entrants, myself and one other and I was lucky enough to be chosen as the first representative for Ireland in the history of the Young Europeans Jury.

This was a once in a life time opportunity and I couldn't have asked for anything more. The experience was not only educational but enlightening, the film subjects were extremely interesting and not a single one disappointed but the cherry on top has to be the great friends I made whilst in Biarritz. To share all of this with such a versatile group made the experience all that more magical.

Molly Whelan, 3rd Year

FRENCH WEEK



French Crêpes

French week took place on the 23rd of February to the 27th. On the 25th Olivier Colas a crêpe man came to our school to make us all crêpes at lunch time !! Thanks to the help of Katie Kilroy, Molly Whelan, Nada Suliman and Katie Ryan, the crêpes were a total success. This is something that we hope to continue annually!

Merci à tous ceux qui ont acheté une crêpe!

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EMMANUEL CONCERT

The Emmanuel Concert 2015

We started off with learning the songs a couple months before the concert. Irina Kearns, one of the soloists of our school, came around and helped us with a few songs. We practised for weeks and as the day came closer we got more nervous about the performance. We also got to perform for the school at the school assembly along with the three people who got solos in our school.

When the day arrived we were all very nervous. We took a bus to the church, near The Helix in DCU. First we practised the songs with the conductor Ian Kavanagh. By the time that was over we thought we had finished but then a vocal coach came in and started doing harmonies with us. Then we played games which were a lot of fun. Then people went and talked about their lives and experiences.

After lunch we went to the Helix. We were assigned places and then we practised the songs. It was a lot of fun because we all got to sing together as one and we sounded brilliant.

Finally the moment we all had been preparing for, the actual concert. It was great fun and we sounded brilliant. I think it was a great success and would like to do it again.

Georgina Banim, 1st Year



FEIS CEOIL WINNER

Feis Ceoil 2015

During the period Saturday 20th March to 26th March, I was lucky enough to win two gold medals and a trophy for playing the oboe. I won 1st prize in my category for the competition 'Cheryl's School Of Music' and then found myself walking up to receive the overall competition trophy for the 'Player with Most Potential'. Although I was delighted with this, the big competition was 'The Feis Ceoil'. I had practised a lot for it and I felt that I was half prepared. I went up to play when my number was called out. I was number 1 out of 5. I played and was happy enough but the nerves started rising when I was listening to the other competitors playing their piece. I felt that competitor number 3 had it won. Next thing, the judge called out the results and I realised competitor number one had won, and competitor number one was me.

Ciara Jones, Transition Year



ST PATRICK'S DAY

St Patrick's Day

On the 16th of March the school held a concert through Irish, for Seachtain Na Gaeilge. Each class participated with different acts such as singing, dancing or playing musical instruments. It was a very special day and everyone enjoyed it. It got everyone excited for St. Patrick's Day on the 17th of March.

Anna Flynn, 5th Year .

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SCHOOL MUSICAL

“Singin’ in the Rain”

This year our annual school musical was Singin’ in the Rain. First, Second, and Transition Years participated. During the start of the year each and every one of the students had to audition if they wanted to play a main role. This year I auditioned and I got the role Debbie Reynolds played which was “Kathy”. I shared this role with Nicola Barton. We had great fun rehearsing this musical and Meghan was a brilliant director. We learned dances to each and every one of the songs, we didn’t know if we had enough time to pull the show together! This was one of the plays I really enjoyed participating in and I can’t wait to see what Meghan has in store for us next year!
By Irina Kearns, Transition Year.



SOLIDARITY DAY

Hot Dogs, Solidarity Day

We would like to thank Dwyer’s family butchers for their kind support on Solidarity Day. They kindly donated supplies to us, the fifth years, and greatly aided us in supporting our hot dog stand. They are located in the Tesco Merrion Centre. We raised over 500 euro which will go to help disadvantaged families in Peru, the Congo and India. 5th years.



Transition Year limbo con-



3rd year sock game



The Talent Show Judges

On Solidarity day 2015 2nd year Segovia came up with the idea to do a sponsored walk for their activity. They raised €238 and because this passed their goal of €150, their form teacher added €20 making a total of €258. The sponsored walk was to UCD and back. They left at 12:20 and returned at 1:25, just in time to enjoy the Solidarity Day activities run by other years.

Catherine Arnold 2nd Year

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TRANSITION YEAR ACTIVITIES

Phoenix Park cycle

On the 24th of March Transition Year went on a cycle in Phoenix Park for the whole day. We saw the President's residence Áras an Uachtaráin. We cycled past the zoo but unfortunately it was under construction so we did not get to see any animals. We saw wild deer while we cycled along the cycle paths of Phoenix Park. We eventually stopped for a break and we all got ice creams and then went back to cycling. Around lunch time we stopped in a café for lunch and hid Damien's bike but he found it. We saw the Wellington Monument and the Papal Cross and other well known landmarks.



TY visit to Zip-it

On the 25th of March both Transition Year classes attended the outdoor adventure centre Zip-it. When they arrived they got a lesson on how to move around the course because once you went up, you could not come back down. The TYs did zip wiring, rock climbing, obstacles courses and this was all up high in the tree tops. They were there for a few hours and enjoyed their day being outdoors.



Cake decorating

During this term our year had a module called sugar craft. In this class we learned how to decorate a cake professionally by using different coloured icing, using our hands to create little figures, for example bunnies, flowers etc. All the cakes were magnificent! We had one cake that was made to look like a minion from the movie Despicable Me. I have to say it was a very enjoyable module for Transition Years!



GAISCE WEEKEND IN WICKLOW



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PAST PUPILS

Past pupil Rachel Dillon with Principal Anthony Carty, at the UCD AD ASTRA SCHOLARSHIP awards evening.



Alannah Irwin also received a full academic scholarship from Trinity College.

SUMMER FAIR

The Summer Fair will take place this year on the 25th of April from 10am to 1pm. This years activities include a Tag Rugby Tournament, a Basketball Shoot Out as well as flowers, a barbecue, books and toys. Donations such as unwanted gifts, nearly new clothes, handbags, toys, books etc., would be appreciated and all proceeds will go towards new sports facilities for the school. We hope to see you there!

BARCELONA SCHOOL TRIP

Barcelona Trip 2015

On the 13th of February 2015, forty-three 3rd and Transition Years flew to Barcelona with 4 of our teachers. Although we had a very early morning flight, we were all very excited to get to Barcelona. When we arrived, we went straight to the Teresian school in Barcelona where we met the Spanish students and teachers and played some Spanish games. We also made a presentation about our school here in Ireland. We also ate lunch in the school.



We then got on our bus again and went to the incredible Sagrada Familia for a guided tour. There we had time to take photos before going to our hostel.

The next day, we took a bus ride to Monserrat and took a cable car up to the monastery. We took photos here and walked up to a cross and saw the beautiful views. We then visited the church before heading home. We then had a guided walking tour of Barcelona and visited St. Josef market to take in the culture. We also went to an old apothecary and learned about herbs. We returned to our hostel shortly after and that evening we went for a walk and saw a festival in full swing.



The next day, we had an audio tour of two houses constructed by the world-famous architect, Gaudi. We got to take photos and it was spectacular. We then went to Park Guell which also had some of Gaudi's work. We then went bowling and returned to our hostel and walked around the city.

On the last day, we visited the Olympic grounds and stopped at a viewing point, we went to two shopping centres and in between we went ice skating in the FC Barcelona, Nou Camp. After shopping we headed to the airport. Overall we all had a great trip.



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PERU

PERU PROJECT FUNDRAISING

This summer a group of eight students from fifth year will be travelling to Villa El Salvador in Peru to do charity work. It is an amazing opportunity that gives us the chance to help and give back to the global community and show solidarity to those less fortunate than ourselves. It also gives us a chance to see just how fortunate we are and to learn about the world we live in and the different cultures within it.

The Teresian Association is involved with numerous projects in many parts of Peru and works tirelessly to ensure that as many Peruvian children as possible can have access to primary education. They do this by building and renovating schools and by creating unique but effective methods to allow children to have an education in more remote parts of Peru.

The help given has been made possible by the fundraising projects undertaken within the school. We are extremely thankful for all of the help and generosity to the Peru projects throughout the years, it has helped to change the lives of those in Peru. This year we have already raised over €7,500 and all of this money will go directly to the projects in Peru.

This term we hosted an extremely successful table quiz, sold Teresian t-shirts, had a Halloween event, organised Coffee to Go and received very generous donations. We will have many more fundraising events going on throughout the rest of the year and all support is greatly appreciated

On Sunday the 26th of April there will be a family walk up the Sugar Loaf mountain, with all donations accepted. This will be a fun-filled day giving everyone a chance to get fit and active while raising money for an excellent cause. We look forward to seeing you on the 26th April. More details to follow. Anyone who cannot make our fundraising events is welcome to donate directly to the school as we have a donation box at reception.



27th of March— Coffee to Go morning.

Peru Crew 2015

Back Row, Left to Right: Fiorella Barchetta, Natuca Cordon, Ella McMahon, Lorena Lampedecchia, Imogen McCullough.

Front Row, Left to Right: Anna Flynn, Roisin Casey, Faye Quinn, Aoife Power, Sadhbh Peirce.

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Junior 1 Hockey final

On Friday the 13th of March The Teresian School's Junior 1 hockey team played in the Plate final against Loreto Dalkey. The game was played in The Three Rock Rovers hockey club, Rathfarnham. Loreto Dalkey scored the first goal of the match in the first ten minutes. The Teresian team played their hardest for the rest of the first half but couldn't get a goal. In the final ten minutes we finally scored a superb equaliser through the amazing skills of Sarah Mac Mahon, Emily Appleby and Grace Mullin. Loreto Dalkey were quick on the counter attack. After several attempts on goal and great saves by our goalie Emma Holmes, Loreto Dalkey scored again. Although defeated, the team did us proud and they represented us with class and dignity on the pitch.

Katie Kilroy, 3rd Year



OTHER SPORTS NEWS

Rachael McDonnell, Lily Farrell & Anna Flynn came 2nd in the East Leinster Golf Championships.

Holly Madigan was selected for the U17 Leinster Hockey squad to play in The Netherlands in April, while Isabelle McGrath is down to the final 25 for selection to the U16 panel.

Holly Coghlan was selected to represent Leinster at Cross Country running.

Sophie Roden came 2nd in Equestrian while the school team of came 4th overall.

The Senior 1 and Junior 1 teams won the DSCSHL finals against Loreto, St. Stephen's Green.



The 1st Year A team won the DSCSHL Shield final against Loreto, St. Stephen's Green.



The Minor A team won the DSCSHL Shield final against Loreto, St. Stephen's Green.

Basketball finals

This year The Teresian School has been extremely successful in basketball. I play for the under 19s Senior A team (who play in a B league). This year we had an excellent season in the Cup and League and were fortunate enough to play in the Tallaght Arena in the All Ireland Final. The whole school attended and witnessed an intense game where we all played the best we could. Fortunately, it paid off and after a long season of hard work we were awarded the title of the All-Ireland Champions. We are very thankful to everyone who came and supported us as we wouldn't have been able to do it without you!



Shortly after we made it to the South Dublin A League final. We played against Colaiste Iosagain in a very tight game! We pushed it out to the end and bagged another win! This year we are so grateful to have done so well as a team and we would like to thank all the parents and supporters for being so helpful throughout the season.

Rachel Leavy 5th Year

