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Staff farewells

Summer 2014 sees the departure of three staff members: Hilda Geraghty, Elsie Sebastian and Mara Damiano. This was marked with a farewell ceremony for the whole School in the hall.

The three School Team Captains, Emily, Gillian and Evie, thanked each of them for their contribution to school life: Mara had manned the Student Office for the year and returns to Italy. Elsie was Pastoral Coordinator and RE teacher over the past two years, and is returning home to the Philippines. Hilda was retiring after teaching French, English and RE in the school since she was 21. She was also the first person to produce a musical in the School, Alice in Wonderland in 1973, the first of many. Following these she was Musical Director until 1995, when she took a career break, spent mostly teaching in Africa.

Hilda addressed the school, outlining what she had learned in the classroom during her

career, and received a warm standing ovation. Anthony followed with a heartfelt tribute to each of them.



We thank Hilda, Elsie and Mara for their contribution to the life of the Teresian School, and wish them continued health, fulfilment and happiness as they leave us for new horizons.

Summer Plans

I think everyone looks forward to some kind of break at summer-time. Saying that, our Junior and Leaving Certificate students are still work-



ing hard; not everyone can rest at the same time. And when we rest, we think about what comes next once we

have cleared and refreshed our minds and our bodies. We will plan to meet the next challenges, knowing that we will enjoy the next summer all the more.

[Proverbs 16:3](#)

Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will be established.

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Goodbye, Sixth Years!



The School said its traditional farewell to our departing 6th Years on Friday evening 16th May, always a highlight of the school year and much anticipated by 6th Years. A participative and moving Eucharist was celebrated by Fr Conor Harper for the students and their parents in the school chapel, overflowing with flowers for the event.

The hall had been wonderfully decorated by 5th Years, based on the theme of 101 Dalmatians.

The 6th years then entered the

hall to a cheering ovation and took their places of honour.

On behalf of the class Emily, Gillian and Evie expressed their thanks to parents, staff and Fifth Years, and recalled their school careers, some from as far back as Kinder A. These were accompanied by hugely entertaining slides of younger versions of themselves.

A delicious supper followed, due, again, to the talents and dedication of 5th Years. The whole evening was a heart-warming and heart-felt farewell to our 6th Years of 2014.

SALTERS UNIVERSITY CHALLENGE

A team of four 1st Years (Catherine Arnold, Charlotte Flavin, Molly McColgan and Anna Tripp) participated in Salters' Chemistry Challenge in TCD chemistry laboratory on 10th May 2014. They had a super day, taking part with 19 other schools in two chemistry competitions and a science show. Their enthusiasm and hard work won them 2nd prize in the afternoon University Challenge. Congratulations!



Joint Award for

STUDENT OF THE YEAR

Gillian Morrissey

Evie Regan

JUMP FOR JOY

Our thanks go to everyone who contributed so generously. We raised 2525 euro for Our Lady's Hospital for Sick Children, Crumblin.





Let's Go Teresians!

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS 2013/14

This year has been a magnificent year for sport in The Teresian School! With over 200 students taking part in after school sports, we made it to 13 finals, winning 8. This was a fantastic accomplishment! Hopefully next year will be as successful.

Hockey

This year we had a total of 8 hockey teams competing

The future of Teresian hockey looks very promising after an extremely successful season. The Senior One team were league champions beating Holy Child Killiney 2-1 in a thrilling final in Three Rock Hockey Club. The following week they returned to Three Rock to play Loreto St.Green in the Plate final but they narrowly lost 3-2. All was not lost as the girls played Loreto St.Green again in the South Dublin Central Schools Hockey League(DSCSHL) final and beat them 5-3 in 1 v 1s.

The 1st year A team continued this success, winning the Dublin South Central Schools Hockey League(DSCSHL).

The Minor A team also won the DSCSHL, beating Loreto St.Green in extra time.

The Senior 3 team made it to their league final but were unfortunate not to secure a win.

The following girls were selected for the Leinster U14, U16 and U18 Development Programme;
U14: Katherine Bailey, Charlotte Flavin, Jennifer Horgan, Isabelle McGrath, Ciara McPhillips and Maya O'Riordan

U16: Holly Madigan, Sarah McMahon and Emily Appleby and Anne-Marie Kinsella

U18: Anna Flynn and Katie Ryan.

Basketball

This year we had a total of 8 teams competing in Basketball.

The U19A team were SBAI champions, they beat Castleknock Community College in the final, this win secured them a place in the All-Ireland Regional tournament where they finished first. They then went on to play Ursuline Sligo in the All-Ireland semi-final but narrowly lost 39-31. They then went on to win the South Dublin league, beating Loreto, Dalkey 32-28. Two gold medals and an All-Ireland bronze medal is a fantastic achievement for any team.

The U16A team did equally well in the SBAI league, beating Our Lady of Mercy 46-30 in the final. This victory saw them enter the All-Ireland Regional finals. Unfortunately they did not advance from this stage.

The 2nd year A team were SDBL and SBAI league finalists. They secured gold in the SDBL, narrowly beating Loreto, Dalkey 33-31 in the final- a team that had beaten them at the beginning of the season 48-32.

The 2nd Yr B team made it to the quarter final of their league.

The 1st year A team made it to two finals but narrowly lost out to St. Joseph of Cluny in both.

Congratulations to Grace Mullin, Lily Farrell Rachel Jameson and Sarah MacMahon who each received a call back for the Dublin Schools Basketball team. Grace Mullin made it to the last 18 players.



Congratulations to Rachel Leavy and Allison McGrath who once again have been selected to represent Ireland in Basketball. We wish them the very best of luck in the Europeans in Romania and Estonia this summer.



Athletics

This year was our most successful year to date in Athletics. We had a total of 35 students competing at the East Leinster Competition.

In the Minor event

Holly Coghlan finished 1st in the 500m race

Katherine Bailey finished 1st in the High Jump and went on to compete in the Leinsters and finished an impressive 5th. team events.

The Minor A relay team finished 1st in the East Leinsters and finished 3rd in the Leinster competition, .28 of a second behind the winners. The Minor B team finished 3rd in their relay. Our school finished 2nd overall in the team events.

In the Junior event

Bella Hughes finished 1st in the Discus,

Katie Magee finished 2nd in the 100m and 2nd in the High Jump. At the Leinsters Katie finished 4th in the 100m and 6th in the High Jump.

The Junior A relay team finished 3rd at the East Leinsters.

In Inter event

Sarah Gardiner finished 2nd in the High Jump

Chloe Mariotti finished 3rd in the

Hockey Award: Anna Scott



Basketball Award: Alannah Irwin



Tennis

We had a total of 6 tennis teams competing this year. They have done extremely well. Three of the six teams, the Minor B, Junior B and Senior 3 teams made it into the Leinster Schools semi-finals.

Golf

Congratulations to Rachael McDonnell and Lily Farrell. They represented the school at the Leinster Schools competition and finished in second place.

Swimming

Congratulations to Alexandra Mullhall who represented the Teresian School in the Leinster swimming gala.

SENIOR SPORTS PERSON OF THE YEAR

Our Senior Sports Person of the Year Award goes to a student who has represented the school in three different sports throughout the years. This student shows humility in both winning and losing. She treats her opponents with fairness and generosity and has been known to organise the transport to and from games, organise refreshments for the visiting team and organise anything else that needs organising! She displays an excellent knowledge of the game and is always trying to improve her skills. She is a reliable student, is an excellent team player and she is a committed sports person who always gives it 110%

This year she and her team won the Leinster Senior 1 League, the Dublin South Central Schools league and were runners up in the Leinster Senior Plate final.



She won the SBAI and SDL Basketball titles and finished 3rd in the All-Ireland League. The Senior Sports Person of the Year Award goes to **Rachel Dillon**.

JUNIOR SPORTS PERSON OF THE YEAR

Our Junior Sports Person of the Year Award goes to a student who has made an outstanding contribution to sport in the school this year. She has represented the school in both junior and senior hockey and also U16 and U19 Basketball. Her commitment to four teams throughout the season has been exceptional.

The Junior Sports Person of the Year Award goes to **Alva Lawler**.

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