



Teresian Times

Joy, Fortitude and Love

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Isaiah 60:1

"Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD rises upon you."



Easter brings with it a real optimism. Spring is with us and Summer must surely be on the way. Our 6th Year Parents certainly helped bring that feeling to The Teresian School with a fantastic Summer Fair this year. After numerous meetings

SUMMER FAIR!

and detailed planning they set up and created the special morning we have come to love over the years. It's a chance for fun and catching up with old friends. The young ones have a ball. And money has been raised for our educational future.



More than €8000 for our Library renovation!

First Year Trip to Newgrange

The history trip to Newgrange began on a cold Friday morning at 8.10. All 38 girls got on the bus to Meath. The journey was entertaining with singing and even some dancing. We arrived in Newgrange Education Centre and were split into groups. Damien, Robert and Michelle accompanied us. We then walked to Newgrange after walking around the exhibition centre



Mesolithic Ireland. When we were in the burial chamber a lady re-enacted the winter solstice. We entered our names in the chance to go see the winter solstice. Then we had lunch. From there we went to Monasterboice briefly and returned home. It was a great experience!

The rehearsals for the Transition Year musical is well under way. This year, we are performing Avenue Q with St. Michaels school. With just three weeks of rehearsals left until the show a lot of work is being put into all the dancing and singing. The show will take place on the 15th, 16th and 17th of May. Tickets will be on sale after Easter in St. Michaels. All support welcome!

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COME AND SEE THE TY MUSICAL!



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The Musical

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**EllaJane,
Ellen, Aisling,
Faye, Gemma,
Róisín, Aoife,
Marina & Alison**

All of us feel very privileged to have been given this amazing opportunity. We're having a great time, enjoying the Spanish experience and don't want to leave.

It's very different to Dublin, not only school but their daily routine also. We're used to it now though. We have spoken to some of the teachers in the school who have visited our school at home. They said everyone was so polite and friendly and they didn't have a bad thing to say. We

Madrid Exchange

met the principal all together on the first day of school and have seen her around since then.

On our second week the school had their festival which to us is probably most like Solidarity Week. It's called the Fiat. There was a mass for the school during the week and then on the final day of the festival some of us performed in front of the school. During that week we spoke to some students who have done the exchange to our school. We also went on a hike with our year. We really enjoyed it but it was

colder than Ireland and surprisingly we were not prepared.

Most of us have visited Madrid city centre with our families, we have really experienced Spanish culture. We've tried new foods, some good, some not so good. We've been speaking a lot of Spanish which has been a good help considering we're mostly writing at home.

EllaJane, Ellen, Aisling, Faye, Gemma, Róisín, Aoife, Marina and Alison

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Valencia Exchange

Our first week in Valencia consisted of Las Fallas. Las Fallas is a festival that takes place in Valencia every year from the 15th-19th of March. During Las Fallas there are many monuments around the city. These monuments depicts different scenes, the carpenters of the city spend many months building these monuments. At the end of Las Fallas these monuments are burnt, this is called El Quemar.

The next week we started in the school. We attended classes with our exchanges as well as having our own Spanish classes. All of the people in the school are very friendly and welcoming.

The school is very different from our school. It is a mixed school and is much bigger than our school. They have no uniform and there day is longer than ours, they have three breaks throughout the

day. At lunch time there is the opportunity to go home or have lunch in the cafeteria.

We have really enjoyed our time in Valencia with our exchanges, it has shown us a different culture which is different from our own as well as greatly improving our Spanish. We have also made long lasting friendships with our newly made Spanish friends.

Ella, Ellen, Anna, Imogen and Sadhbh

1st Years at Scifest

On the 28th of March, 1st Year took part in SciFest in D.I.T. Kevin Street. 11 groups took part with a wide variety of projects, such as the effect of temperature on magnetism and osmosis.

Three of the projects that we entered won prizes. The winning projects were "Testing Adhesives", "Melodies in the Ice" and

"The Effect of Other Senses on Taste."

Overall it was a very enjoyable day and we got to see a lot of interesting projects and even had talks from a few scientists. We hope to be able to take part again next year.

Katelyn Germaine Stott



St. Patrick's Day Trip to Mary Aikenhead Centre

On Wednesday March 12th first year Segovia and Victoria visited the Mary Aikenhead Centre in Donnybrook to sing some Irish songs. We had previously sang to at the centre and it was such a great experience we were excited to be invited back. Lots of old people sang with us and by themselves. Afterwards we talked to them about school and what school was like when they were students which was very interesting.



1st Years at the trip to the National Concert Hall



The Emmanuel Concert 2014

This year our school participated in 'the Emmanuel concert' in the Helix and three of our students got solos. The soloists had to go to Clonliff College twice for a practice. On the day we had rehearsals from 10:30 in the morning till at least 10pm in the evening it was a long day! But we all had fun! In the morning we practiced our songs and played



some games.

It was a bit nerve wrecking when we got to the helix because we knew that for the first time we would have to sing in front of all the schools participating in the concert. But we met new people and made new friends. Over all it went really well and I think it was the best Emmanuel concert of them all! And I hope we will keep participating In the Emmanuel concert for the next few years whether or not we get a solo or not!

Irina Kearns





Let's Go Teresians!

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Sport

Basketball

Our basketball season has been quite triumphant so far. The U16A team beat Holy Family Newbridge, Cluny (in league & semi-final), Loreto Stephen's Green, Our Lady of Mercy and Portmarnock Community School to get to the SBAI "B" final in the Oblate Hall, Inchicore, where they beat Our Lady of Mercy 46-30. This victory saw them enter the All-Ireland Regional Finals, which we hosted. They beat Pres DLS Bagels town 5-48 and



Scoil Chriost Ri Portlaoise 44-39, but sadly could not beat Coláiste Oiriall Monaghan 35-51, who will go through to the All-Ireland Semi-Final in March. We wish them luck as they progress to the next stage.

The U19 team did equally well in the SBAI "B" league, beating Holy Family Newbridge, Cluny, Loreto Stephen's Green, and then Portmarnock Community School in the semi-final to get to the final in the Oblate Hall to face Castleknock Community college, who they had previously lost to 46-58 in the league. Teresians managed to take home the gold 64-42 securing them a place in the All-Ireland Regional Finals. During the run-up to the Regionals, the U19 still had to play Loreto Dalkey in their SBDL Final. Loreto Dalkey had won this title for the past 3 year so we knew it wouldn't be easy. At this stage the team we're carrying a lot of injuries, but nevertheless they fought hard and won 32-28. Another gold! What a boost for the girls before Regionals!



That day came and the girls managed two great victories over Coláiste Oiriall Monaghan 69-20 and Scoil Chriost Ri Portlaoise 52-30 securing them a place in the All-Ireland Semi-Final on Tuesday 4th March in Phoenix Sports & Leisure Centre, Carrickmacross, Monaghan. Unfortunately all the injuries the girls had been carrying all season got the better of them and they narrowly lost to Ursuline Sligo 31-39. It was a very sad defeat, but the girls walked away with a Bronze medal in the All-Ireland Competition.

And lastly, the younger teams in our school have just started their leagues - we wish the 2nd year A, B & C teams and the 1st year A & B teams the best of luck this season, and also a special mention to the newly formed U14 team who are in their All-Ireland semi-final on Wednesday 26th March at 12:00pm in the National Basketball Arena, Tallaght.

Sandra Pye
PE Teacher / Basketball Coach



Hockey

The Teresian School's Senior 1 Hockey team won the 2014 Leinster School Girls Senior 1 League by beating Holy Child Killiney 2-1 on Friday 8th March. The goals were scored by the Teresian Captains Rachel Dillon and Evie Regan in front of a packed crowd. This is a fantastic achievement for such a small school. The team didn't finish there, the following week they went out and beat the Senior Plate favourites, Alexandra College Premier team 3-2 in the semi-final.



Unfortunately, the team lost the Senior School Girls Plate Final 2-1 on Friday 14th March against Loreto St. Green despite the tremendous effort and support from the school's teachers, current and past pupils, and the girls' families and friends.

The Senior Girls last game of the season was against Loreto Stephen's Green in a very exciting final of the Dublin South Central Schools Hockey League 'DSCSHL' which they won on penalties.

Nikki Lyons Sports Coordinator



All-Ireland Semi-Finalists!