

#### Principal's Address

As a school community it is important to capture and record the memories and events of the year. As the academic year 2018/2019 draws to a close, Ardscoil Mhuire has much to look back on and celebrate.

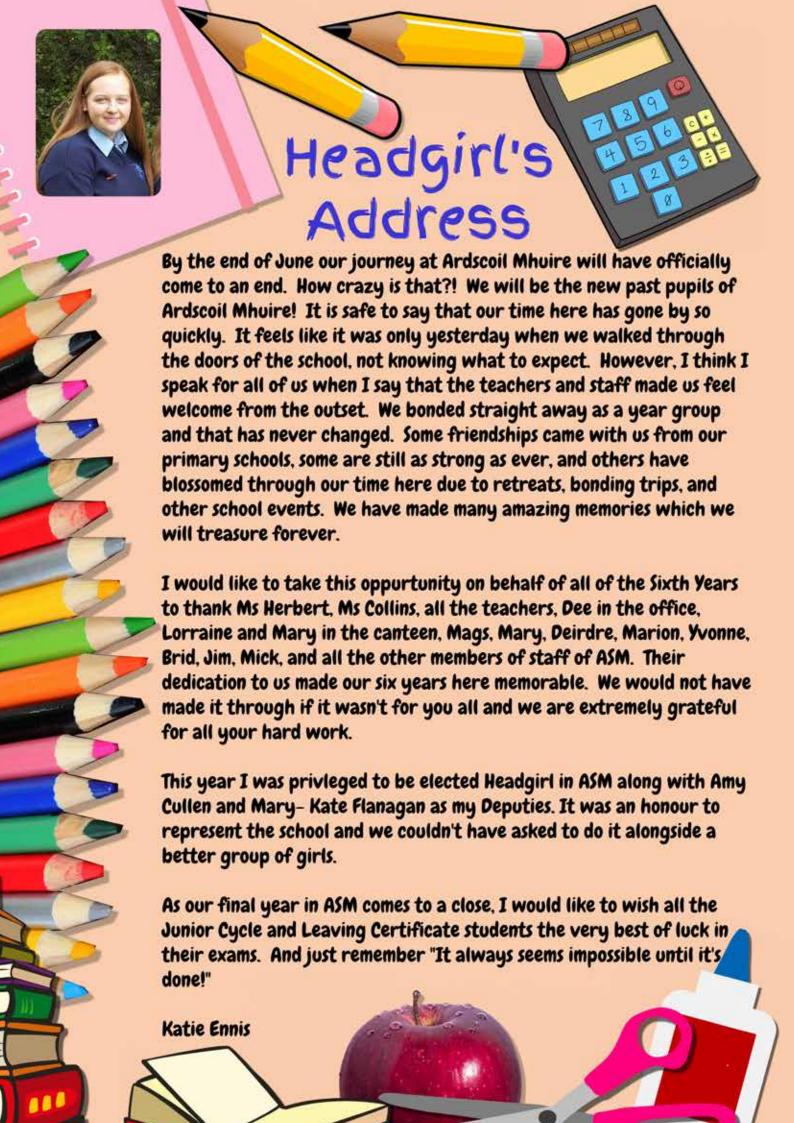
Ardscoil Mhuire has a long standing history of promoting and fostering academic excellence in all year groups and at all levels. The academic achievements of our students in state examinations were acknowledged this year by two visitors to our school. Firstly, in early September, Deputy Jan O'Sullivan visited to officiate at three important events. She began by recognising and congratulating our high-achieving students from last year's Leaving Certificate examinations. This was followed by, the Deputy presenting a number of our senior students with their Gaisce medals (The President's Award), and subsequently awarding a bursary to ASM's highest achieving Junior Certificate student.

In addition to recognising student achievement in state examinations, academic excellence in our school was acknowledged and rewarded at our annual Academic Awards Night on the 11th of April in the Strand Hotel. Well done to all students who were nominated for an award, and I would encourage all students to work to the best of their ability in order to secure a nomination next year.

As Principal, I am privileged to have the support and expertise of a very dedicated and committed group of teachers. As a consequence of Ardscoil Mhuire's strong culture of volunteerism, the school is a busy place with exciting and fun filled extra-curricular activities. Students in our school are involved in sport, musicals, the SRC, peer mentoring, choirs, the Ceolchoirm, the Creative Schools initiative, the Green Flag, public speaking, debating, Mental Health Awareness, internet safety initiatives, business enterprises, the Irish Flag, the PIF initiative, science projects, horticulture, YSI, cookery competitions, Drama Club, Performing Arts Club, Book Club, fundraising activities, as well as essay and art competitions. These activities have greatly added to our wonderful school spirit and assisted in the creation of a positive and warm learning environment. On behalf of the school community of Ardscoil Mhuire, I would like to thank everyone in our school community who has organised, or participated in, the school's fundraising events such as our School Walk, Bingo nights and Christmas Craft Fair. All proceeds from these events will go towards financing our new school development which we hope to start during the academic year 2019/20.

A huge thank you must be given to Ms Shinners for all her hard work and dedication in producing this year's Yearbook, and to our sponsors for their continued support of our school. I would like to acknowledge all those who submitted articles, photographs and stories for this year's publication.

Thank you to our staff, Parents' Council and Board of Management for all their support throughout the year. I hope you enjoy the yearbook and in the years to come may it rekindle and remind us of the life and times we had in school.











# Take a Chance on Me

"Miss, can we pleeeeeease do Mamma Mia?" The first words of the future stars of the LIT stage. It made Ms
Shinners think that they were the only words that would ever come out of the budding stars' mouths.

Auditions went, uhhhh, smoothly I guess you could say. Ms. Cleary went on to believe that singing off-key was the
new musical fad. Days came and went rather lazily while the young performers anxiously waited to find out did
Ms"Spielberg; because she's one of the greats" Shinners finally choose an A-List cast. "Do you have to kiss him?"
"Which ginger is Sam?"

A couplet of questions our two main girls Sophie and Fahriye were bombarded with as the first fully cast rehearsal loomed closer. Questions that even Ms. "Spielberg" Shinners wouldn't answer. Ms "Cut the song; because they couldn't sing their songs" Cleary really needed to get everyone whipped into shape because the off-key trend was still remotely conspicuous.

For such an inexperienced cast, rehearsals went surprisingly well. A lot of the time. Our choreographer Lisa made us all believe we were in an episode of Dance Moms. For the two couples dances especially. Season 5, Episode 2 comes to mind where the two friends are competing against each other for the most groovy dance. Long story short, Rosie and Bill's "Take A Chance On Me" stole the show quite unlike Sophie and Skye's "Lay All Your Love On Me".

As the big weekend drew nearer and nearer, Ms. "Cut the Song" Cleary made everyone wonder what exactly 
"Voulez-Vous" meant and made us question whether they even wanted a man after midnight. "Miss, we'll know it on 
the night. It'll be grand. Don't even worry."Five days to go and not even our principle characters could give us a 
lo-down on the narrative of the Millenium Theatre's most anticipated show. But show business waits for no one as 
Ms. "Spielberg" Shinners and Ms. "Cut the Song" Cleary made very clear to us all. After months of hard and 
dedicated work from everyone involved, we had a show. A quite brilliant show. It's such a beautiful thing to see. A 
lovely group of shy teenagers grow into drama queens and stage divas. Although some might beg to differ. Highs 
and lows. From nailing lines to singing the wrong lyrics. But like all good things, it had to come to an end. Tears were 
shed, selfies were taken, memories that would last a lifetime.

In all sincerity, we, on behalf of the whole cast of "Take A Chance On Me 2018" would like to thank Lisa Hogan for putting up with our uncoordinated cast and for making us absolute perfectionists when it comes to dancing. Special thanks to our sound guys who had to endure five days of us complaining about having to be quiet. To Ms Delaney, Ms Bolger and Ms Collopy for your expertise and dediaction. Most of all, we would like to thank our Director Ms Shinners for helping the cast become the best performers the LIT stage has ever seen and battling through all the stresses that come with organising such an amazing production. And finally, our Musical Director, MS Cleary who put up with all of our non-musical heads and made us shine brighter than the sun and for coaching us throughout the numerous amazing scores brought to us by musical group ABBA.

Sophie Ryan and Fahriye Dilmac











## BREEPHTPG

Although TY is over for us, the YSI #Keepitpg project is certainly continuing, and growing from strength to strength. Working in collaboration with Webwise and the Young Social Innovators' Elevate Programme, the #Keepitpg campaign advocates for increased sexting awareness, education, and modernisation of Irish anti-sexting laws.

One of the highlights of our year was undoubtably our meeting with Garda Commissioner Drew Harris in January. We were delighted to be given the opportunity to present our thoughts and ideas to the Commissioner regarding improvements to Gardaí protocol in responding to instances of sexting. Our meeting was incredibly productive and the Commissioner seemed sincerely interested in our proposals. Our work has aligned us closely with the Gardaí, and we have been honored for our work with both Limerick and National Garda Youth Awards. On the awareness side of our campaign, the #Keepitpg team recently launched our podcast, The Safety Net. Every fortnight, an industry expert in the area of internet safety shares their opinions, expertise, and advice. In March, we were delighted to have been recognised for our work with a Webwise "Best Use of Technology to Promote Internet Safety Award 2019".

At this stage, the #Keepitpg team members were well used to media appearances, gaining national attention from shows such as Nationwide, Spin Southwest, Lunchtime Live, and even on the couch with Maire and Daithí on The Today Show!

On behalf of the #Keepitpg team, we would like to thank the entire Ardscoil Mhuire community for their incredible support. In particular, our campaign would not exist without the dedication and guidance of Ms Kerin and Mr Huff. Hopefully, our campaign will continue to flourish into 2020 and beyond!

To keep updated on our campaign, follow our social media on twitter @keepitpgysi and instagram @keepitpgcampaign.











Congatulations to Erin, Sarah, and Kerri, as well as their mentor Ms Kerin, on winning a Garda National Youth Award in Portlaois in April.

#### 1 Áine



"If the sky is the limit, then why are there footprints on the moon."

Petra Budic
Ava Collins
Amber Duggan
Hayley Fitzgerald
Emma Griffin
Charlie Grimes Moran
Grace Hayes
Mollie Higgins
Lauren Keller
Louise Kenny
Rachel Laffan
Molly McDonnell

Beibhinn McInerney
Ava McNamara
Leah McNamara
Katie Monahan
Tana Mulqueen
Hollie Naughton
Emily O' Brien
Chelsea O' Connell
Jacqueline O' Reilly
Sarah Rainbow Manning
Nicky Ryan
Sarah Jane Walsh

#### 1 Breandán



"We try our best. We create. We dream BIG."

Lucy Bailey
Sophie Bowen
Emma Clancy
Aisling Coffey
Sophia Conlan
Abbie Curtis
Ellie Downes
Ella Dyson
Ava Fitzpatrick
Lauren Guerrini
Chanelle Healy
Ayla Kelly

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Katie Kiely
Carley Lyons
Ella McGovern
Rebecca McKevitt
Lily Murphy
Dawn O' Brien
Erin O' Doherty
Cerys Parker
Kelsey Reeves
Ciara Rice
Katelyn Tully

#### 1 Colmcille



"The expert in anything was once a beginner."

Leah Bennis
Amy Buckley
Ellie Clancy Cantillon
Charlie Considine
Olivia Edwards
Abbi Flanagan
Amber Foley
Jodie Griffin
Sophie Guilfoyle
Shonagh Healy
Krystal King
Ciara McGee



Alisha McGrath
Ciara McMahon
Molly Murphy
Waheda Nury
Erika O' Connor
Alisha O' Donoghue
Amy O' Neill
Ailish Reynolds
Olivia Rozewska
Katie Ryan
Kellie Ryan

#### 1 Daire



"The beautiful thing about learning is that no one can take it away from you."

Abbie Bermingham
Niamh Boland
Abbie Buckley Dillon
Hailey Bustin
Katie Clohessy
Megan Considine
Sasha Duggan
Alexis Encallado
Molly Flanagan
Nicole Griffin
Gabrielle Hanley
Holly Heaney

Macey Kelly
Chloe Madigan
Isabella McGrath
Clara McMahon
Sophie Nash
Elyse O' Callaghan
Clodagh O' Donoghue
Natasha O' Neill
Amanda Ostasova
Caoimhe Price
Megan Ryan

#### 1 Eithne



"Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today."

Lauren Bailey
Annalise Casey
Elvan Dilmac
Amy Fitzpatrick
Abbie Franklin
Ava Guerin
Katelyn Hayes
Chloe Highton
Amy Kiely
Sandy Landrock
Zoe Lipper
Abbie McEnery



Grace McInerney
Chloe McNamara
Ella Murphy
Nadine Noonan
Emma O' Dwyer
Lisa Orji
Ava Reddan
Hayley Reynolds
Caoimhe Ryan
Nicole Sheehy
Kayleigh Wallace
Lucy Waters

#### Student Representative Council

As a new academic year began in Ardscoil Mhuire so did the process of appointing the Student Representative Council. Katie Ennis was elected as Head Girl, assisted by Mary Kate Flanagan and Amy Cullen as Deputy Head Girls. All classes then elected prefects and deputy prefects.

The SRC were delighted to nominate the School Development Fund as the beneficiaries of this year's Mad Hair Day which was capably organised by the 6th year LCVP class.

The SRC discussed the changes to the schools mobile phone policy. They were given an opportunity to put forward their thoughts on the changes and they then relayed the information back to their class groups.

Some of the prefects and deputy prefects were consulted about the level of creativity in the school when the schools Creative School's Associate Cera Conway attended a focus group meeting of the SRC to ascertain their attitudes and approaches to creative opportunities in the school. They were very vocal and capable in expressing their opinions and explaining the various creative outlets available to Cera on the day. They independently ran a survey of the entire student body to identify new and exciting creative activities that students can get involved in next year.

On the 17th of December the SRC added even more festivity to our annual Christmas dinner by organising "Festive Jumper Day." All students were encouraged to wear festive coloured jumpers for the dinner. This was all in aid of the Ronald McDonald House at Our Lady's Children's Hospital and it certainly added to the festive fun and frolics of the day.

In March, the SRC undertook the very serious work of addressing the school's Child Safety Statement. They learned the importance of this document for the welfare of everyone in the school and set about creating a simplified version that would be accessible to all students. While this was quite a difficult task the council approached it with enthusiasm and dedication.

Congratulations to Ali Sheehy who won the Prefect of the Year award at this year's Academic Awards Night, held in the Strand Hotel. The award was in recognition of Ali's commitment and dedication to her role of prefect.

The SRC is a vital link between the student body and staff of Ardscoil Mhuire. Students are encouraged to be actively involved in school life through the SRC. Thank you to our Head Girl, Katie and Deputy Head Girls, Amy and Mary Kate and to Ms Clancy and Ms Bucke for supporting the students involved. The whole council wish you the very best of luck in your exams and your future endeavours. Well done to all the prefects and deputy prefects for their hard work. The SRC would also like to extend a huge thank you to all who took part in our activities and to our sponsors who support us so generously every year.

















# Academic Awards

Ardscoil Mhuire's annual Academic Award's
Night took place in The Strand Hotel on
Thursday 11th April. The purpose of this
occasion is to acknowledge and reward the
quality of academic progress and excellence in
our school. Teachers nominated students in
each of their subject areas. Each nominated
student received a certificate, while one
student was awarded a trophy to recognise
their acomplishment in that subject.

Awards acknowledging student participation in Sport, Music, Public Speaking, the SRC and the LCA programme were also presented. ASM was founded by the Sisters of Mercy and, in order to recognise their contribution and dedication to the school, two special awards were presented in their honour. The Ceist award was the final award of the night and was presented by Sr Ena Quinlivan to the student who has made the most significant contribution to school life. This year's recipient was Fifth Year student Erin Barrett. The awards night was a wonderful event and was thoroughly enjoyed by all.











# Academic Awards































#### Creative Schools











Ardscoil Mhuire is 1 of 150 schools selected from across the country to be a part of a pilot scheme 'Creative Schools', run by the Arts Council of Ireland in association with the Department of Education & Skills.

The aim of 'Creative Schools' is to "enable the creative potential of every child".

The Creative School committee have been working with our 'Creative Associate' Ceara, focus groups with staff and students. They facilitated a whole school approach to facilitate creative practices and workshops to build upon our schools current creative culture and encourage students and teachers to connect with their own creativity.

In October we gave our students the opportunity to voice what they would like to see more of in school. Based on the feedback and votes, we have developed an Arts Plan that will see photography and dance workshops introduced to our students in term one of next year.

This year we saw a collaboration between the Music, Art, Drama  $\theta$  Performing Arts Clubs who held a showcase this May celebrating the talent and creativity of our ASM students.

## CREATIVITY WEEK

Building on the success of last year's theme of 'Imagination & Creative Thinking', this year we saw staff and students explore the theme of 'Connecting with my Creativity'. Our very own Rebecca Coleman Walsh designed our Creativity Mascot for the week 'Captain Creative' who explains how she connects with her creative self. Staff and students throughout the week experimented with how they could tap into their own creativity through fun challenges across all subjects. The Home Economics department made Halloween cookies, the Science department experimented with slime and rocket design and we were entertained with a surprise performance of Thriller by the Performing Arts Club. We saw the return of the popular 'Black Out Poetry' competition and our daily 'Mystery Art' competition saw our staff posing as famous works of Art to challenge our students knowledge of Art History. The TYs, sponsored by our neighbours, Garveys Supervalu, spread the creativity out into the community by holding a pumpkin carving demonstration for Supervalu customers. As always the week was topped off with Mad Hair Day. It is always a colourful, spooky and fun filled week at ASM. Roll on next year!

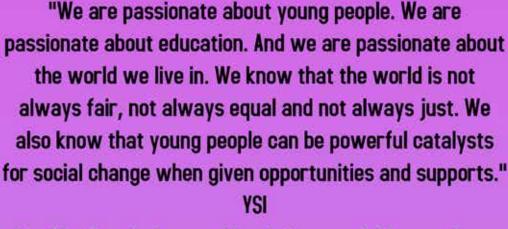




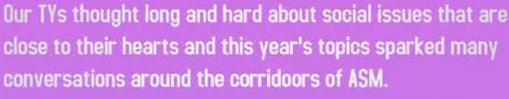














TYA decided to tackle the topic of obesity. In order to raise awareness, they invited Professor Donal O'Shea from RTE's Operation Trasformation to our school. He spoke to all the junior students about nutrition, and advised us all on positive changes we can easily make. They also organised fundraisers and action days to help raise awareness of such an important issue.



TVB focused on LGBT education and how important it is for both the community and students to be educated about this fascinating topic. They discovered that so many people know very little about the LGBT community. They displayed positive posters around the school highligthing the different sexual orientations many young people identify as in today's society. They will continue to raise awareness and educate all members of the ASM community on how vital it is that any student, regardless of their sexuality, feel accepted and are treated equally.







Congratulations to both our TY teams on presenting hard hitting speakouts on LGBTQ+ awareness (Unfaded COlours) and childhood obesity in the Lime Tree Theatre.



















#### WEBWISE

2018/19 has seen the relationship between Ardscoil Mhuire and Webswise go from strength to strength, with the true beneficiaries being our students, who are becoming incredibly well versed in the areas of #DigitalCitizenship and #OnlineSafety! Erin Barrett and Sarah McDarby are ASM's delegates to the national Youth Advisory Panel and have been working with their #KeepltPG teammate Kerri O'Dwyer, the #SID2019 Ambassador Alex Kiely, and the TV1s to offer a range of supports to their fellow students. These include the award-winning podcast 'The Safety Net' (Webwise - 'Best Use of Technology' 2019), a Safer Internet Day Expo for junior students, and the creation of multimedia displays and resources for all staff and students! Sincere thanks to Webwise for the training, support, and opportunities that they have offered our students this year.























# Numeracy Week

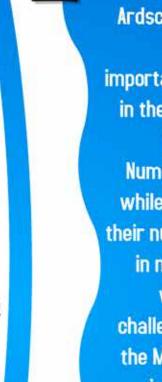


throughout the week.









#### 2 Gráinne



"Forget the mistake, remember the lesson."

Eve Bourke
Chanelle Campion
Amy Curry
Abigail Dowling
Tori Ellis
Muireann Hartigan
Kahlen Hartnett
Roisin Hayes
Sarah Higgins
Colene Hogan
Ellie -Jo Kenrick
Kinga Kulgawczyk
Aoife McInerney

Melissa McNamara
Aoife Millea
Alisha Murphy
Olivia O' Connor
Emmanuella Orji
Ashleigh PrendervilleLynch
Emma Prenderville-Lynch
Amy Roche
Hannah Ryan
Velen Ryan McCarthy
Katelyn Shinnors
Nadia Szalast
Emanuela Vasic

### 2 Hilary



"Education is not preparation for life. Education is life itself"

Hollie Buckley
Grace Clancy
Zoe Davis
Amy Drew O' Shea
Charlemaine Encallado
Lucy Fogarty
Tara Hickey
Amy Hillyard
Christine Houghton
Shannon Katilius
Emma Jane Kelly
Olivia Kiely

Anaya Leo

Abigail McLaughlin
Isabel Micks
Lauren O' Driscoll
Danielle O' Shea
Abby Purcell
Ciara Quinn
Grainne Roche
Jean Ryan
Meabh Ryan
Katie Slattery
Sarah Jane Williams

#### 2 Íde



"There's no elevator to success. You have to take the stairs."

Cara Barrett
Lauryn Blake Delaney
Cara Byrnes O' Dwyer
Michelle Creed
Zoe Dillon
Abbie Duggan
Grace Finnan
Alison Hogan
Valerie Jakovleva
Molly Kinsella
Molly Liddy Earls
weronika Ludzik

Hollie McGuinness
Kayla McNamara
Kelsey Morgan
Mia O' Connell
Ria O' Sullivan
Amber Organ
Aimee Robertson
Sadhbh Ryan
Brooke Sheehy
Aleia Stokes O' Callaghan
Sophie Tobin

#### 2 Jude



"No one is perfect. That's why pencils have erasers."

Becky Bennis
Katie Bennis
Sasha Bustin
Paige Constable
Lucy Devoy
Abbie Duggan
Eibhe Fahy
Erin Griffin
Ali Hannon
Antonia Hickey
Abbie Hogan
Katlyn Hourigan



Nicola Judge
Chloe Kennedy
Ellie King
Ellie Liddy Earls
Emma Lyons
Rebecca McMarlow
Sophie Noonan
Caithlin O' Regan
Jamie lynn O' Reilly
Ali Sheehy
Joey Song
Pauline Tobin

### How do I answer the auestion?



Give a detailed account of something.



Give examples or describe something in detail in a way that helps others to understand it.



Make something clearer using examples.



Look at something closely in order to assess it.





















Learning School's Project Team - Effective Questioning

We take for granted that students come to us with a basic knowledge and understanding but during last year's research the LSP team found that students don't actually understand basic questions and question verbs.

The LSP team invited twelve other teachers from a range of subjects to trial a word a week with them, which they explained and referred to throughout the week, with great success. After a period of implementation they met with the teachers and a focus group of students for feedback.

Based on the feedback they developed the following resources:

A poster is now displayed in all rooms with the verbs and their definitions. Teachers and students can refer to the posters when the verbs come up in lessons.

Bookmarks with the verbs and their definitions were given to all First and Second Years to have in their journal or pencil case. They can refer to this when doing their homework or during tests.

IDENTIFY

Make it clear who or what something is. TRANSLATE

Convert or change something inot something else.

DISCUSS

Talk or write about something in detail..

**EVALUATE** 

Give an idea of something's strengths and weaknesses.

# GALLERY

































































Strive for progress, not perfection.



Titiana Ayawe



Leah Benn



Aoife Breen



Chloe Bromell Prenderville



Danielle Bussoli



**Roisin Cantillon** 



**Amy Casey** 



Sophie Coll



Ellen Cotter



**Amy Cullen** 



Shauna Cunneen Rilhow



Loren Daly



**Courtney Duhig** 



Jemma Duhig



Katie Ennis



**Aisling Fitzgerald** 

The beautiul thing about learning is that no one can take it away from you.





Katelyn Fitzgerald



**Alison Flahive** 



Mary-Kate Flanagan



Brooke Flynn



Uzma Habib



Laura Halpin



Kaitlyn Hannon



Nicole Hartney



Monique Heelan



**Aimee Hickey** 



**Nadine Higgins** 



Lauren Hurton



Jade Kavanagh



Fiona Kenihan



Michaela Kennedy



Shauna Kiely



#### I can and I will. Watch me!



Eimear Kirkland



**Jade Lipper** 



Megan Lynch



Ellen Martin



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Ellen McGrath



Emma Louise McKenna



**Rhea Moloney** 



Taylor Moynihan



Aimee O' Donnell



Aine O' Donoghue



Ashley O' Gorman



Alana O' Neill



Leah O' Reilly



Abbie O' Sullivan



Sophie Phayer



**Sinead Purcell** 



The questions isn't who is going to let me; it's who is going to let to stop me.



Erica Roche



Chloe C Ryan



Chloe K Ryan



Dannika Shannon



**Lauren Slattery** 



Julia Styka



Niamh Togher



**Rosslen Tully** 



Ciara Turner



Karlene Wall



Kelsie Wall



**Kourtney Wall** 



Niamh Whelan



Shannan Woodland



























# TY Gallery 2019

































































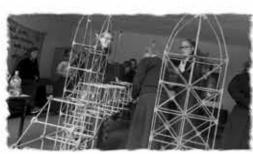
























#### 3 Deirdre



"Alone we are smart. Together we are brilliant."

Hannah Barry
Maggie Bourke
Holly Carey
Amie Carmody
Neala Carroll
Kes Cheevers
Emily Clancy
Sarah Collopy
Rachel Cross
Saoirse Darcy
Katie Dumas
Hailey Fitzgerald
Tara Galvin
Lauren Griffin
Zara Guerin



Debra Hayes
Sawaira Karim
Laura Kelly
Brooke Madden
Sophie McCoy
Tara McDonagh
Chantelle Moloney
Ali Moynihan
Ali O' Brien
Vivienne O' Brien
Holly O' Doherty
Tracey O' Reilly
Shaunie Ponde
Kim Ryan
Cheyenne Ryan Martin

#### 3 Eilish



"What we learn becomes a part of who we are."

Amna Bibi
Jodie Cahill
Iofa Campbell
Leah Cantillon
Holly Collopy
Kerry Collopy
Kayleigh Corbett Keane
Deirdre Cross
Kateyn Cross
Wahida Delsoz
Isabel Dillon
Amii Fahey
Brid Gavin
Abbey Hennessy

Kerrie-Ann Higgins



Alison Joyce
Sabah Karim
Carley Keane
Danielle Leo
Katie Lyons
Grace McGregor
Katie McNamara
Laura McNamara
Faiza Mohammedi
Tatiana Nwagwuagu
Noelle Shanahan
Chole Stokes Smith
Laurna Tucker
Julija Zarina

#### 3 Fidelma



#### "This is the beginning of anything you want."

Ciara Clancy
Caitlin Considine
Rhiannon Coughlan
Joanne Cross
Kayleigh Downey
Sarah Edwards
Ellen Garcia Breen
Ciara Grimes
Amanda Kennedy
Maria Kiljok
Orla Kirwan
Cadhla Laws Daly
Courtney Lyons
Jade McNamara

Kaithlin McNamara Noonan

Kristina Moloney
Kate Kirwan Nihill
Ali O' Connell
Leah O' Connell
Tara Pearse
Eva Prenderville Roche
Jodie Quinn
Liene Riba
Emily Ryan
Emma Ryan
Daniella Sandeva
Abbie Grehan Tynne
Chloe Wrenn
Lucy Yelverton













# J Music J

The Music Department in school have been extremely busy with various concerts, performances, and services throughout the year.

In September the choir performed for our school mass in St Mary's Church, where they sang a lovely selection of hymns accompanied by Ms Clery on organ, Ms O'Connor on violin, and Ms Nolan on guitar. The choir also performed at our Open Night, where they sang a selection of songs for incoming First Years and their parents.

Fifth and Sixth Year Music students attended lunchtime concerts in St Mary's Cathedral throughout the year, where they experienced live performances in a magnificent setting. In October, the Sixth Years attended Palisander, a recorder group from The Royal academy of Music in London. They also attended a concert and workshop on their Bach Cantata. Students were able to hear the full work performed by a choir, orchestra, and soloists. Fifth Year students also had the oppurtunity to attend a lunchtime concert of Baroque music, performed by The Irish Chamber Orchestra.

The TYs had a busy time from September to December staging the fabulous musical "Take A Chance On Me" to sold out audiences over three nights in LIT's Millennium Theatre. The annual Christmas Carol Service took place in the Crescent Shopping Centre under the direction of Ms Nolan and Ms Curley, with the proceeds going to SVP.

The ukelele has really taken off in the school with TY, First, Second, and Fifth Year students learning to play and enjoying the experience.

In March Mary-Kate Flanagan and Sophie Ryan performed in the Feile Luimní vocal section. Mary-Kate won 1st place and Sophie 3rd in the Treaty Cup Competition. Mary-Kate went on to perform at a prize winners concert in LIT, where she was presented with her bursary.

# Literacy Week











Ardscoil Mhuire's annual Literacy Week once again gave the students the oppurtunity to take part in many exciting activities around the area of literacy. "Reading for Pleasure" was a key concept of this year's Literacy Week with the much anticipated and enjoyable Reading Challenge making a welcome return. Competition was fierce in the reception area with both students and staff battling it out to win and be crowned the Mystery Book and Scrabble Champions of ASM.

This year we had the privilege of welcoming distinguished authors Dan Mooney and Judie Curtin to our school. They regaled a rapt audience with stories, writing advice, and reading from their much beloved books.

Second Year English classes presented their favourite shoebox scenes from S. E. Hinton's "The Outsiders". First Year English classes displayed their "Share a Story" speech bubbles on the corridoors. MS Quinn's Second Year students researched and conducted a trial for Johnny Cade from "The Outsiders". High tension indeed, and the jury's still out for poor Johnny! Senior cycle students took part in the teachers' "Shelfie Quiz". The First and Second Year lockers were enveloped in quotes from ASM students' favourite books. Third Years and Tys tweeted reviews of their favourite novels which were published at reception. Congratulations to all involved in running a hugely successful Literacy Week,



The hardworking members of our Coiste Gaelbhratach promoting "an teanga beo" in ASM.



Fifth Year student Joanna Dimowska was recognised at the BSTAI in UL for achieving an A grade in her Junior Cycle Business Studies exam.



Our Second Year JCSP class participated in this year's Make a Book Exhibition in the Woodlands Hotel, where they received high praise for the book on world cultures.



Congratulations to Fifth Year student Chris Kirwan for coming in first place at the Provinces Irish Indoor Rowing Championships.

# sife in Ilsym



We were extremely proud of ASM students Aaliyah Tepou and Courtney Duhig, who represented their club by lining out with the U18 Munster Rugby 7s team.



Congratulations to our talented Fifth Year students Olivia Woszczynska and Rebecca Coleman Walsh who had their artwork featured in the "Visible Reminders of Invisible Light in St John's Cathedral.



Congratulations to Second Year students and proud UL Huskies Basketball Club members, Velen Ryan and Ali Sheehy, who have both earned U17 North Munster Girls' Basketball trails.



Fifth Year Therese Houghton was announced as the winner of the national "Richard Burke TY Personified Award".



The 2 ide class were recognised for developing a product that will future proof children's safety at the ITLG Young Innovators competition in Shannon Airport. The ASM community are extremely proud of them.



Sadhbh Ryan once again showed off her culinary skills this year. She was runner up in the Junior Section of the Ceist Bake Off.













This year ASM entered two dresses into the annual Junk Kouture competition. The two dresses were called "United Colours" by Jessica Hannan and Jennifer Collins and "Broken But Still Beautiful" by Emma Kiely and Aoife McDarby. "United Colours" successfully made it through to the Regional Finals in UL Concert Hall.

"United Colours" represented themselves and the school extremely well on the night. The girls have said it was an experience of a lifetime and they thoroughly enjoyed taking part in Junk Kouture. Both teams would like to thank Ms Bolger for giving them this amazing opportunity.

































Mar chuid de Sheachtain na Gaeilge bhí ceolchoirm againn. Bhain gach duine taitneamh as. Comhghairdeas le gach dalta a ghlac páirt i gceolchoirm na bliana seo.

# ARDSCOIL MHUIRE'S DEBATE CLUB

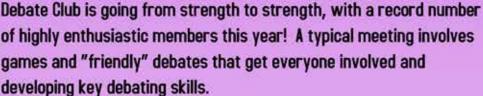








Well done to all involved in maintaining ASM's strong culture of public speaking and debating this year! The dedication of these students to building their confidence and learning to argue respectfully is truly admirable!





The Club has also been supporting their colleagues on the Junior Debate Team as they participated in the Edmund Rice Cup. ASM's team has made it to the final of this prestigious competition for the second year in a row having earned wins in competitive debates against Ardscoil Rís, St Munchin's College, and Gaelcholáiste Luimnigh. All members of the team have demonstrated outstanding levels of commitment, improving immeasurably as speakers and writers as the year progressed. They already have so much to be proud of!



It was another stellar year for our senior Concern Debates Team! They ended the competition's League Phase among the top 12 schools in the country, having fended off stiff opposition from Castletroy College, Coláiste Nano Nagle, and Hazelwood College. Most of the team will be back next year for what we're sure will be another season of top-notch debate!



Heartfelt congratulations to Fifth Year student, and member of the Concern Debates Team, Joanna Dimowska on being awarded the 'Public Speaker / Debater of the Year Award' at this year's Academic Awards!





























































Transition Year 2019







































## Transition Year 2019

New beginnings, new ideas, new energy, exiting and surprising

### Fifth Year A



"Set goals, push yourself, move, don't quit. No excuses. Be awesome, you've got this."

Eman Azrar Ali
Kelsey Bourke
Jayde Bussoli
Jack Cantillon Power
Rebecca Collins
Nessa Daly
Joanna Dimowska
Shannon Fitzgerald
April Hannon
Sadhbh Healy
Kelly Marie Hickey
Summer Higgins

Lauren Kett
Alex Kiely
Caoimhe Lalor
Laura Mason Reeves
Aya Mhawesh
Paige Moloney
Jade Mulqueen
Olivia O' Donoghue
Rebekah O' Shaughnessy
Juliet Omuada
Niamh Storan
Meagan Walsh

## Fifth Year B



"There are no shortcuts to any place worth going."

Erin Barrett Emma Brosnahan Sarah Callinan Rebecca Coleman Walsh

Aoife Costello
Aoibhin Daly
Grace Donnelly
Leah Franklin
Tara Hamilton
Emma Hanley
Aoife Joyce

Vicky Keogh O' Connor Rebecca Kiely Rachel Merrigan Aseel Mhawesh Kailey Noonan Kerri O' Dwyer Megan O' Loughlin-Kennedy Abbie Rice Loreta Suste Olivia Wosxczynska

#### Fifth Year C



"Learning is a treasure that follows its owner everywhere."

Emma Barrett
Aoife Clancy
Olivia Glazer
Gloria Gubarkova
Megan Hickey
Therese Houghton
Chris Kirwan
Kaitlyn Lowe Neill
Ciara Marnell
Sarah McDarby
Jade McMahon



Demi McNamara
Rachel mcNamara
Kate O' Brien
Emma Reale
Kalie Reynolds
Eadaoin Storan
Joyce Tobin
Mona Vitola
Claudia Williams
Klaudia Woznica
Sandra Zuzga

## LCA 1



"Minds are like parachutes. They only function when they are open."

Jaydean Barrett
Jessie Bussoli
Aoife Creed
Kayleigh Fitzgerald
Chantelle Keane
Regina Kiely
Ruth Malone
Courtney Mason



Saoirse McGrath
Sophie McGrath
Savannah Moloney
Erin Mowat
Trenyce O' Donoghue
Alana O' Sullivan
Jodie Quinlivan
Emily Sheehan



## science



Students in Ardscoil Mhuire got the opportunity to participate in many exciting acitivities in the field of Science.

ASM held another hugely successful Science Week with staff and students taking part in many exciting activities. First Years took part in a rocket building competition. Students built and launched rockets, learning the importance of teamwork,

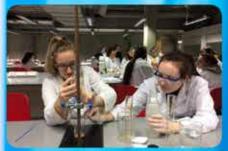
Years took part in a rocket building competition. Students built and launched rockets, learning the importance of teamwork, collaboration and communication in order to develop a working rocket. Second Years took part in a science table quiz. A careers talk in STE(A)M was delivered to all Fifth Year students, where they were enlightened by the future possibilities of working in the science, technology, engineering and maths worlds. LCA students decorated the school corridors with interesting science facts. "Guess the Scientist" and "Solve the Science Riddle" left staff and students alike channelling their inner scientist. Tys visited the University of Limerick where they were treated to Sue McGrath's XTRA-Ordinary Science show with magical, smelly colour changing ghostly potions.











Sixth Year students
visited the Department
of Biological Sciences in
UL. They conducted
laboratory practical
experiments, where
they maximised the
opportunity to revise
mandatory experiments.



Blackrock Castle Observatory
brought along their Space Dome
for the First Years in order to
explore their earth and space
module. Fifth Year Biology
students discussed the possibility
of life in other galaxies.





LCA students studying Consumer Science, which presents science in a social context, have become empowered to make informed intelligent decisions regarding scientific issues. MAC make-up artist Amy Gallivan demonstrated to the girls how to achieve a cruelty free makeup routine.





#### SPORT IN ASM



## Rowing +



The "Get Going Get Rowing" ran in our school again this year. It is is an initiative by Rowing Ireland together with Sport Ireland, Women in Sport programme.

Rowing instills great comradery and strengthens friendships. It was hugely successful among our First and Second Years and our TYs. After weeks of practice with Sheila Clavin from Rowing Ireland, the girls competed in an outdoors rowing competition in UL. Our TYs did extremely well, bringing home the top three prizes.













## Soccer of



Our First Year girls had a highly successful start to 2018 as they were crowned Limerick City and County Champions. The girls went on to represent Limerick in the Munster Championships in Waterford and came away in third place. A huge congratulations to our First Year soccer team on becoming North Munster Champions following a thrilling encounter in Killarney in May. The school community here in ASM are extremely proud of all their achievements.



#### \*\*\* Active ASM



Active School Week took place from the 7th to the 10th May. Check out the school's social media page to see information, pictures and details on our first Active School Committee.



## Sport in ASI



This year marked the first season in the C league for our successful Second Years. The girls played with heart, flare and determination but sadly they missed out on qualification by one point. A special mention goes to Lucy Devoy who represented the school in the South West U15s basketball tournament in October. The coaches would like to thank you for your time, commitment and dedication throughout the year.







#### Rugby 5



Both Senior and Junior teams competed in the Ireland X7s competition this year, where they both qualified for the Munster Finals with our Senior team progressing to the finals in Dublin. They played some great rugby in the finals and reached the semi-finals. Our Junior team were narrowly defeated by Rockwell College, their only defeat of the season.







## @ Camogie 🔧



First and Second Years particiapted in local and provincial tournaments this year. Our U16 team attended the Munster School's blitz. They also took part in the world record attempt in LIT for the most people playing a game of hurling. There is a bright future in camogie here in ASM and we plan to have an intermediate squad next year.





## GALLERY































































## Art in ASM







































