

Student Newsletter



HIGH SCHOOL THE MUSICAL!



What a show!





THANK
YOU!

Thank you to all who helped with our TY show. It was a great success and thoroughly enjoyable for all involved.



6th Year Agricultural Science Class

The girls and Bart go to the Mart

The 6th Year Agricultural Science class recently enjoyed an exciting and educational trip to the mart to sell their class cow, Bart, as part of their studies on the calf-to-beef farming enterprise system. Bart had originally been kindly donated to the girls as a calf by Mr. Liam O'Byrne, giving them a valuable hands-on learning opportunity throughout their course. Over the past two years, Mr. Seamus Stapleton had very generously cared for Bart on behalf of the class, ensuring he was well looked after as the students followed his progress from calf to sale. The girls were absolutely thrilled when Bart sold for an impressive €2,300 at the mart. The money was then divided equally among the students, making the experience both rewarding and memorable. This practical project greatly supported their understanding of livestock farming and brought their classroom studies to life.





Congratulations to all athletes who competed in South Leinster's Track & Field Day 1 on Tuesday 28th April. It was a very successful day! Well done to all athletes for working so well as a team and representing the school so well.

Results:

Minor Girls 4x100m - 1st (Alix Dunne, Eabha Farrell, Sarah Milton, Fatima Mohammad Ibbrahim)

Junior Girls 4x100m - 1st (Emily Kidd, Faye Brennan, Zoe Dunne, Ava Broderick)

Intermediate Girls 4x100m - 3rd (Robyn Fitzmaurice, Roisin Farrell, Grace Bradley, Lilly O'Neill), **U16 Girls 4x300m - 2nd** (Sophie Dowling, Mollie Kelly, Orla Kelly, Laura Ayres)

U16 Shot Putt - 1st Royhanot Oladumeji, **Minor Walk - Petra** Morrin

Also shout out to our TY sports perfects Sophia Slattery and Karen Ayres for their help in training and on the day!

CONGRATULATIONS! Athletics



ROWING

I ♥ ROWING

Excellent rowing by St. Leo's College last weekend on Ireland's longest river, the beautiful Shannon. Very high standards on display from schools North & South of the border.

For first time out, at a schools' event, our squads & sculler did us proud with a top 10 finish in the double.

They battled gallantly against very strong Northern Ireland teams. Well, done Kyna, Muireann, Ann & Annalise.

Maith sibh a cailini! For any girl who might like to trial rowing - there will be taster camps during the Summer. Keep an eye on Carlow Rowing club social media & give it a go!



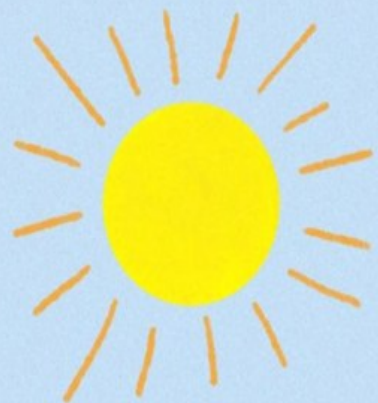
Well done to our Rowing Team



1ST YEAR HOME ECONOMICS



sewing in the sun



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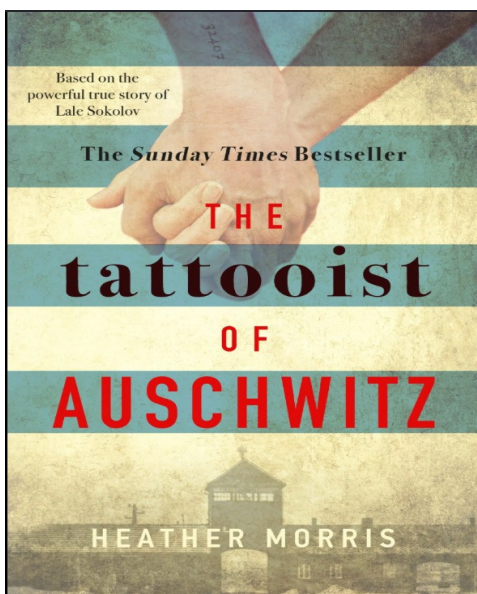
Tokyo Ghoul

Tokyo Ghoul is a series of comic books, also known as manga. The series follows the story of Ken Kaneki who is a young boy trying to survive in a world dominated by a vampire like species named 'Ghouls'. Ghouls are a different form of humans that depend on blood to survive. Which causes them to end up killing innocent humans. Throughout the storyline, we learn that Kaneki is interested in a girl name Rize. They end up having their first date yet soon he discovers that she is a ghoul with the intention of killing him. Kaneki fights his way out of Rize's grasp and ends up in a coma. Yet when he awakes and attempts to follow his life as usual he notices immediate changes, his body rejects normal food, he craves blood amongst many others. The series are a combination of gore and thriller with elements of action and comedy. The series also includes romance and friendship symbolisms. I truly enjoyed this series as I had already watched the animations before hand yet it felt like there were gaps in the story that only the books could fill in. Overall this is a very good series for those who enjoy

Book review by Ines Lopes TY



'The Tattooist of Auschwitz' by Heather Morris is a powerful story of one man's hope and courage amidst the horrors of the Holocaust. The book is based on the true story of Lale Sokolov, a Slovakian Jewish man who was transported to Auschwitz concentration camp in 1942 and given the job of 'Tätowierer', forced to tattoo numbers onto his fellow prisoner's arms. He used the freedom of movement around the camp that this job allowed him to exchange money and valuables in return for food to keep others alive. If he had been caught he would have been killed. This is also a love story of Lale and his wife Gita, who met and fell in love in Auschwitz. This is an unforgettable and uplifting story of love and hope in the face of extreme brutality, and I would recommend this book to anyone with an interest in history.



The Tattooist of Auschwitz

Book Review by Isabelle Coffey 5C

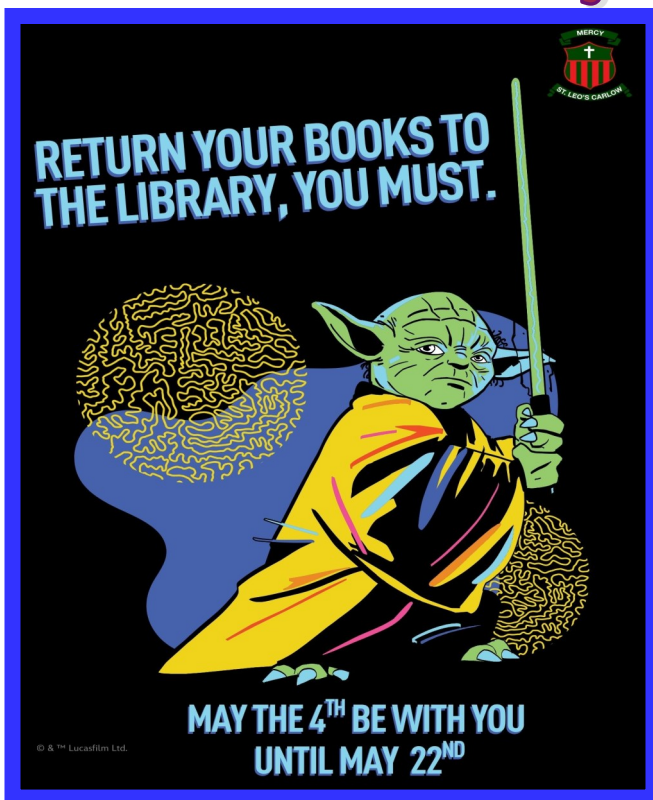
LIBRARY

A Girl Called Blue by Marita Conlon-McKenna is about a girl called Blue O'Malley who lives in an orphanage called Larch Hill. Her life there is really tough. The nuns are very strict and can be quite cruel, and Blue is always getting into trouble because she doesn't like following all their rules. Blue has always felt different and doesn't really fit in with the other girls. She starts wondering a lot about her past, especially who her real mother is. She thinks the truth is being hidden from her by Sister Regina, and this makes her even more determined to find out who she really is. As the story goes on, Blue starts taking risks to try and discover the truth. She doesn't always make the best decisions, but you can understand why because she just wants a better life and a real family. That's what made me like her; she felt like a real person that some people could relate to. The story also shows what life in the orphanage is like, and it honestly seems really unfair and harsh. It makes you feel bad for Blue and the other girls, and it makes you think about how important it is to feel safe and cared for.



A Girl Called Blue

Book Review by Elsa O'Loughlin 2C



Congratulations Lojain, Leila and Caitlin on receipt of your JCPAs



We would like to thank Carlow Gardaí for their very informative presentations on online safety, social media and Coco's Law. Go raibh maith agaibh.



Well done to our LCA class who successfully completed two task interviews this week.

Bernard Dunne former professional boxer & former WBA and European Super Bantamweight champion with Ciara Dunne & Mrs. Dwyer after the Novena in St. Clare's Church at which Ciara had read.

Well done to Ciara and all our students who contribute to parish life and community life in so many different ways.



ROOK POETRY COMPETITION 2026



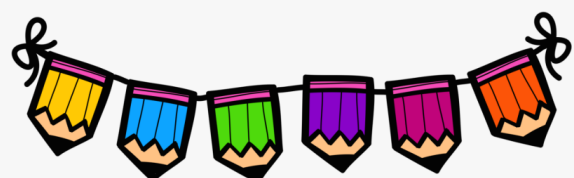
The English department invites you to write a poem, with the theme of love in mind.

The deadline for submission is **FRIDAY, 1ST May 2026**, via email to Ms Dearbhla Cussen:

DCUSSEN@STLEOscarLOWIE



Well done Sixth Years on the successful completion of your Link Modules Written Examination on Wednesday.



JUNK KOUTURE

Best of Luck!



DUBLIN CITY FINALIST 2026

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Excitement is building in advance of our big trip to the Helix in Dublin next week to cheer on our Eco Aviator Ava and Shellsational Nia in the Junk Kouture Finals.

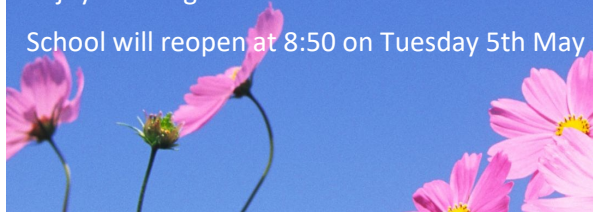
The very best of luck girls!

May

BANK HOLIDAY

Enjoy the long weekend.

School will reopen at 8:50 on Tuesday 5th May



"May the month of May be a
month of sunshine,
happiness, and endless
blessings."

— Unknown





Weekly Hot Lunch Menu

Monday 4th

- Closed

Tuesday 5th

- Pasta Carbonara
- Pasta Carbonara (V)

Wednesday 6th

- Chicken Curry & Rice
- Veg Curry & Rice (V)

Thursday 7th

- Taco Fries or Taco Loaded Baked Potato
- Loaded Fries or Loaded Baked Potato

Soup

Homemade Vegetable

Small Dinner €4.00 | Large Dinner €6

Meaningful May 2026

MONDAY



4 Send your friend a photo from a time you enjoyed together

11 Look around for things that bring you a sense of awe and wonder

18 Send a handwritten note to someone you care about

25 Ask someone else what matters most to them and why

TUESDAY



5 Let someone know how much they mean to you and why

12 Listen to a favourite piece of music and remember what it means to you

19 Reflect on what makes you feel valued and purposeful

26 Remember an event in your life that was really meaningful

WEDNESDAY



6 Look for people doing good and reasons to be cheerful

13 Find out about the values or traditions of another culture

20 Share photos of 3 things you find meaningful or memorable

27 Focus on how your actions make a difference for others

THURSDAY



7 Make a list of what matters most to you and why

14 Get outside and notice the beauty in nature

21 Look up at the sky. Remember we are all part of something bigger

28 Do something special and revisit it in your memory tonight

FRIDAY

1 Do something kind for someone you really care about

8 Set yourself a kindness mission to help others today

15 Do something to contribute to your local community

22 Find a way to help a project or charity you care about

29 Today do something to care for the natural world

SATURDAY

2 Focus on what you can do rather than what you can't do

9 What values are important to you? Find ways to use them today

16 Show your gratitude to people who are helping to make things better

23 Recall three things you've done that you are proud of

30 Share a quote you find inspiring to give others a boost

SUNDAY

3 Take a step towards an important goal, however small

10 Be grateful for the little things, even in difficult times

17 Find a way to make what you do today meaningful

24 Make choices that have a positive impact for others today

31 Find three reasons to be hopeful about the future



ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Happier · Kinder · Together

EXTRA-CURRICULAR AND SPORTS TIMETABLE 2026

	Monday 🏊	Tuesday 😊	Wednesday 🏐	Thursday 🏊
Before school 8:00 – 8:45	Senior & Cadette Volleyball Ms. O'Neill			
	10.55 Human Rights group Room 227 / Ms Cussen			
Lunch 1.20-1.55  THE LIBRARY is open every break and lunch times.  BOARD GAMES AVAILABLE Fitness suite Open at lunch for senior students. 	Senior & Cadette BASKETBALL Ms Bergin & Mr Woods 1 st year HOCKEY Ms. Hickey Crochet club Ms English & Ms Lennon Room 613 CHAMBER CHOIR MUSIC ROOM Ty, 5 th & 6 th years St Vincent de Paul Cairdeas - Ms Craddock	All years Badminton Ms Hennessy Junior Soccer Mr Walsh & Ms Lalor All years Zumba Assembly Hall Ms. Zadorozhna Folk Group Music Room Ms Cosgrave 1ST & 2nd Years Public speaking 1.30pm – Room 701 Mr O'Flaherty & Ms A. Doyle Arts & Crafts Club Ms. Connors & Ms. Mullins 1.20pm Art Room 501 <i>-Poetry Aloud- All year groups Ms O'Sullivan 1.20pm R709</i>	Juniors Netball Ms Millward 1 st Year Gaelic Football Ms Kelly & Mr Walsh CHAMBER CHOIR MUSIC ROOM	All years Athletics Track Ms Graham/ Ms Hickey Senior, Cadette & 2 nd Year Volleyball Ms. O'Neill GREEN SCHOOLS Ms Davies/ Room 228 Chess club Library Club Gaelge Ms. Ní Mhionáigh & Ms. Eneallen Snooker Club Assembly Hall
After school 4.15 – 5:15 pm	Seniors Netball Ms Millward Senior, 4 th , 5 th and 6 th year Hockey Justine Collins 4.10-5.10	2nd, 3rd year Hockey Justine Collins 4.10-5.10	Junior & Senior Gaelic Football Ms Kelly & Mr Walsh 5 TH YEARS Applied Maths 4.20 - 6.20.	6 TH YEARS Applied Maths 4.20 - 6.20.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION TIMETABLE 2026

Each candidate should note carefully the dates and hours, as fixed on this official timetable, for the examinations in the subjects in which he/she intends to present himself/herself. The Commission will not be responsible for any errors which may occur in the reproduction of this timetable by outside agencies. Candidates are required to be in attendance at least half an hour before the examination begins in the subject in which they first present themselves.

JUNE	SUBJECT	TIME
H = Higher Level O = Ordinary Level F = Foundation Level		
WEDNESDAY 3	English, Paper 1 - H & O	9.30 – 12.20
	Home Economics, Scientific and Social - H & O	2.00 – 4.30
THURSDAY 4	Engineering - O	9.30 – 12.00
	Engineering - H	9.30 – 12.30
FRIDAY 5	English, Paper 2 - H & O	2.00 – 5.20
	Geography - H & O	9.30 – 12.20
MONDAY 8	Mathematics, Paper 1 - H & O	2.00 – 4.30
	Mathematics - F	2.00 – 4.30
TUESDAY 9	Mathematics, Paper 2 - H & O	9.30 – 12.00
	Irish Paper 1 - H (incl aural)	2.00 – 4.20
WEDNESDAY 10	Irish Paper 1 - O (incl aural)	2.00 – 3.50
	Irish - F (incl aural)	2.00 – 4.20
THURSDAY 11	Irish, Paper 2 - O	9.30 – 11.50
	Irish, Paper 2 - H	9.30 – 12.35
FRIDAY 12	Biology - H & O	2.00 – 5.00
	French - H & O - Written	9.30 – 12.00
MONDAY 15	French - Aural	12.10 – 12.50
	History - H & O	2.00 – 4.50
TUESDAY 16	Business - O	9.30 – 12.00
	Business - H	9.30 – 12.30
WEDNESDAY 17	Construction Studies - O	2.00 – 4.30
	Construction Studies - H	2.00 – 5.00
THURSDAY 18	German - H & O - Written	9.30 – 12.00
	German - Aural	12.10 – 12.50
FRIDAY 19	Art, Visual Studies - H & O	2.00 – 4.30
	Polish, Lithuanian, Portuguese and Mandarin Chinese - H&O - Written	9.30 – 12.00
MONDAY 22	Polish, Lithuanian, Portuguese and Mandarin Chinese - Aural	12.10 – 12.50
	Hebrew Studies, Ancient Greek and Non Curricular Languages (see Note 2)	9.30 – 12.30
TUESDAY 23	Agricultural Science - H & O	2.00 – 4.30
	Spanish - H & O - Written	9.30 – 12.00
WEDNESDAY 24	Spanish - Aural	12.10 – 12.50
	Chemistry - H & O	2.00 – 5.00
THURSDAY 25	Physics - H & O	9.30 – 12.30
	Physics and Chemistry - H & O	9.30 – 12.30
FRIDAY 26	Accounting - H & O	2.00 – 5.00
	Design and Communication Graphics - H & O	9.30 – 12.30
MONDAY 29	Music - Listening (Core) - H & O	1.30 – 3.00
	Music Composing - H & O	3.15 – 4.45
TUESDAY 30	Music - Listening (Elective) - H	5.00 – 5.45
	Economics - H & O	9.30 – 12.00
WEDNESDAY 1	Physical Education - H & O	2.00 – 4.30
	Italian - H & O - Written	9.30 – 12.00
THURSDAY 2	Italian - Aural	12.10 – 12.50
	Russian - H & O - Written	9.30 – 12.00
FRIDAY 3	Russian - Aural	12.10 – 12.50
	Classical Studies - H & O	2.00 – 4.30
MONDAY 6	Latin - H & O	2.00 – 5.00
	Technology - O	2.00 – 4.00
TUESDAY 7	Technology - H	2.00 – 4.30
	Japanese - H & O - Written	9.30 – 12.00
WEDNESDAY 8	Japanese - Aural	12.10 – 12.50
	Politics & Society - H & O	9.30 – 12.00
THURSDAY 9	Arabic - H & O	9.30 – 12.30
	Religious Education - O	2.00 – 4.00
FRIDAY 10	Religious Education - H	2.00 – 4.30
	Applied Mathematics - H & O	2.00 – 4.30

Notes

- The examination sessions highlighted in red include 20 minutes over and above the time traditionally allocated for the papers concerned.
- Leaving Certificate Examinations in Hebrew Studies, Ancient Greek and in the Non-Curricular Languages listed below will be held on Monday 15 June from 9.30am to 12.30pm.

Non-Curricular Leaving Certificate Examinations:				Bulgarian	Croatian	Czech	Danish	Dutch	Estonian
Finnish	Hungarian	Latvian	Maltese	Modern Greek	Romanian	Slovakian	Slovenian	Swedish	Ukrainian

- Examinations based on the curricular specifications for: Lithuanian; Mandarin Chinese; Polish and Portuguese will be held on Monday 15 June.
- There are also final examinations in Computer Science and Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme – Link Modules – which will be held in April/May with dates to be announced separately.



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JUNIOR CYCLE EXAMINATION

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The start time for all Junior Cycle afternoon examinations is 1.30p.m.

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WEDNESDAY 3	English	- H & O	9.30 – 11.30
	Religious Education	- Common Level	1.30 – 3.30
THURSDAY 4	Irish T1	- H & O (incl aural)	9.30 – 11.30
	Irish T2	- H & O (incl aural)	9.30 – 11.30
	Geography	- Common Level	1.30 – 3.30
FRIDAY 5	History	- Common Level	9.30 – 11.30
	Mathematics	- H & O	1.30 – 3.30
MONDAY 8	Science	- Common Level	9.30 – 11.30
	Business Studies	- Common Level	1.30 – 3.30
TUESDAY 9	Graphics	- Common Level	9.30 – 11.30
	Italian (incl aural)	- Common Level	9.30 – 11.30
	French (incl aural)	- Common Level	1.30 – 3.30
WEDNESDAY 10	Home Economics	- Common Level	9.30 – 11.00
	Spanish (incl aural)	- Common Level	1.30 – 3.30
THURSDAY 11	German (incl aural)	- Common Level	9.30 – 11.30
	Wood Technology	- Common Level	1.30 – 3.00
FRIDAY 12	Jewish Studies	- Common Level	9.30 – 11.30
	Music	- Common Level	9.30 – 11.00
	Engineering	- Common Level	1.30 – 3.00
	Classics	- Common Level	1.30 – 3.30
MONDAY 15	Applied Technology	- Common Level	9.30 – 11.00