

LCA NEWSLETTER

St Farnan's LCA Highlights 2024 - 2025



Welcome Message

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all the LCA students, staff, and parents for their outstanding contributions throughout the year. This newsletter celebrates the wonderful achievements, learning experiences, and teamwork of our LCA students.

★ LCA Highlights

◆ Bonding Trip to Causey Farm

The year began with an exciting bonding trip to Causey Farm for our LCA students. Activities such as bread making and bog jumping provided a fun and memorable start to the year.

◆ Redhills Adventure Trip (5th Year)

The 5th year LCA students took part in a trip to Redhills, where they enjoyed archery and aerosoft as part of their General Education task. The event fostered teamwork, leadership, and reflective learning.

◆ Completion of Tasks & Work Experience

Throughout the year, students completed a range of tasks in areas such as Engineering, VPG, Social Education, and Hotel & Catering. Work experience placements provided practical insights into various industries and career paths.

◆ Safe Pass Achievement

Many of our 5th year LCA students successfully completed their Safe Pass course, equipping them with a valuable certification for use in their work placements and future careers.

◆ Educational Trip to Croke Park

Both LCA year groups visited Croke Park, where they participated in activities that supported their Irish and Hotel & Catering modules. The trip was both fun and educational, offering real-life context for their studies.

◆ “Wild Horizons” Pilot Programme with Dúlra

5th year LCA students participated in an 8-week pilot programme as part of their Science module. Facilitated by Dúlra, this eight-week outdoor learning experience, set in Donadea Forest, offered students the chance to immerse themselves in nature while developing essential life skills such as tool use, fire skills, Irish heritage crafting, and large-scale building. Through hands-on, team-building activities, the programme fostered independence, creativity, and mental wellbeing, providing students with a unique learning opportunity outside the classroom.

💬 What Our Students Said

"Safe Pass helped me feel ready for real work."
"Causey Farm was brilliant—especially the bog jumping!"

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🎉 Thanks to...

A big thank you to all LCA staff, students, and parents for supporting this year's activities and initiatives. Special thanks to the LCA students for your hard work, dedication, and enthusiasm.

💡 Skills Gained

- Practical skills & qualifications
- Teamwork & leadership
- Career readiness & responsibility
- Critical thinking & problem-solving
- Outdoor & environmental learning
- Self-confidence & career planning