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Welcome back to the Men's Shed.....



The Men's Shed organisation is worldwide and has a Shed in Lucan. The Shed was reopened on Tuesday, 09.11.2021. Opening times, 10.00 to 13.00.

Our plan, certainly for the present, is to open once a week, on a Tuesday, for a period of three hours.

If you would like to give us a call, have a chat and find out what we do, your visit does not create an obligation of any kind and you will be welcome.

Our Shed is located at the rear of the Irish Wheelchair Association building, signposted at Broadmeadows, Newcastle Road, accessible from the second gateway on the right after crossing the rail bridge on the Lucan-Newcastle Road. Coming from Lucan, if you reach the filling station, also on the right, then you have missed the gateway.

The essence of a Shed is a place where men can come, without obligation, to meet each other, to have a chat, a discussion, with tea, coffee and biscuits laid on. Most of what we do is indoors, but, once a week, a walk is organized somewhere in the locality, to provide a variation.



If you intend to visit us, please bear in mind that the COVID-19 pandemic has not gone away, that it continues to be out there and that our Shed is not exempt from the precautions with which all of us are familiar at this stage.

The same precautions apply in the Shed. Face masks are obligatory, social distancing and handwashing too. The Shed has two air purifiers, to provide all-important ventilation.

Let's see you soon!

Lucan Citizens Information Centre

www.citizensinformation.ie

The old 0761 numbers will remain operational in tandem with 0818 until **31 December 2021**. However, from 1 January 2022, **only the 0818 numbers will connect you to the relevant service.**



COVID-19 has changed the service we offer to the public. Our drop-in service is not currently available, but we are taking phone calls, answering emails, and providing a call back service. Call us on **0818 07 5090**, leave a message with your name and number and an Information Officer will return your call within 2 working days. Or you can email your query to us at dscis@citinfo.ie and someone will reply.

Citizens Information Phone Service (CIPS) 0818 07 4000 operates on Monday to Friday 9 am to 8 pm.

MABS: The Money Advice and Budgeting Service is the State's money advice service, guiding people through dealing with problem debt for over twenty years. MABS Clondalkin phone 0818 07 2270 or email clondalkin@mabs.ie

Registering to vote

If you want to vote in an election or referendum in Ireland you must be:

Eligible to vote and
Registered to vote

To be eligible to vote, you must be resident in Ireland. Also, your eligibility to vote in different types of elections depends on your citizenship.

Irish citizens can vote in every election and referendum

British citizens can vote in Dáil and local elections
EU citizens can vote in European and local elections
Non-EU citizens can vote in local elections

This document explains how to register to vote, and what to do if your situation has changed since the last election or referendum took place. Being registered to vote means that your name has been entered on one of the following lists:

The main Register of Electors
The Postal Voters List
The Special Voters List

Or a supplement to one of these 3 lists
Each local authority must put together and publish a list of voters in its area. This is called the Register of Electors.

To be eligible for inclusion in the Register of Electors, you must:

Be at least 18 years old on the day the Register comes into force (15 February). You can add your name to the draft Register before you turn 18.

Have been ordinarily resident in the State on 1 September in the year before the Register comes into force.

You can check the Register at local authority offices, Garda stations and public libraries, or online at checktheregister.ie.

To add your details to the Register of Electors, you complete form RFA and return it to your local authority. You do not need to pay for postage. If you live in Dublin, you can register online at voter.ie if you have a verified MyGov account.

The Register of Electors is published on 1 February each year and comes into force on 15 February. To be entered on the published Register for 2021, you must have registered before 25 November 2020.

If the information in the Register is incorrect, or your situation has changed, you can complete form RFA1 and send it to your local authority by 25 November 2021 (to be included in the Register that comes into force on 15 February 2022).

If you have not registered on the draft register by 25 November, or your situation changes after this date, you can still register to vote by applying to the Supplement to the Register of Electors.

More information is available on Registering to vote (citizensinformation.ie) and on www.sdcc.ie

Third level education - CAO - Central Applications Office

You apply for almost all full-time undergraduate courses through the Central Applications Office (CAO). The undergraduate courses in the universities and institutes of technology include Higher Certificates - Level 6, Ordinary Bachelor degrees - Level 7 and Honours Bachelor degrees - Level 8. You can find more information about these qualifications in our document on third-level education in Ireland.

The CAO provides a handbook that lists all the courses on offer and gives information on how to apply.

There is no central applications body for Post-Leaving Certificate (PLC) courses. Students must apply directly to the individual colleges.

CAO applications for 2022-2023
CAO applications for the academic year 2022-2023 opened at 12 noon on 5 November 2021.

You can apply to participating higher education institutions through the CAO portal. You can also find information on options for further education and apprenticeships.

gov.ie - Central Applications Office (CAO)
(www.gov.ie)

Esker Active Retirement Association

Hi everyone

Today again we had a very full hall of members. Everyone was in top form and enjoyed the usual card games and scrabble. We all had great craic at the same time; we had some new members again plus a few more members who have ventured back for the first time. We have more men joining our club which is good to see; it's good to mix things up a bit and see things from all perspectives.

We are still cleaning chairs and tables before and after we use them, masks are worn except when taking refreshments and hands are well sanitized to keep us all safe.

Again, for next Wednesday could we ask some more members to come down early, around 1.10pm to help set up the tables and chairs and sanitize them all and thank you to all our members who did come early today to help out. Helen's list of members for our Christmas night out in the Castleknock Golf Club on Friday 10th December is now full so she has started a waiting list of those who still want to come but may have to wait and see if someone drops out unfortunately to get a place.

Upcoming Events

Next Wednesday 17th November Deputy Emer Higgins TD is coming along to give us some information on Budget 2022 so have your queries ready for Emer.

Our Christmas Hall Party will take place for members only on Wednesday 15th December at 1.30pm. Forty people have confirmed they are coming along; if you wish to be added to our list, please WhatsApp or text me your name asap. You will need to have proof of double vaccination to attend. Those of you who have already shown your certs when already attending, do not need to bring your certificates to the party. We have it recorded.

If anyone wants to join a fun, lively and friendly club, you can join us, once you're fully vaccinated and have a vaccination certificate with photographic ID. We meet every Wednesday afternoon at 1.30pm in St Andrew's Church Hall in Lucan (close to Stagg Cycle shop which is blue and yellow); there is parking inside the Church gates plus a bus stop just outside the Church gates. Don't be afraid to come in, you're very welcome. The long dark days are upon us now so come and join us for the craic so you'll have people to talk to for a few hours each week.

Till next time,

Marian Egan (Club Secretary) 086 1269 043

Lucan Drama

Lucan Drama performed '**Contractions**' by Mike Bartlett last weekend in The Mill Theatre Dundrum and the Arts Centre in Ballina. Both performances were highly commended by the adjudicators. So congratulations to Vini Casey, the Director, B. Guy Kelly and Katie Noone, the actors, and Mary Guy on lights and sound.



Next stop is Kiltimagh on Sat. November 13th. Best of luck to cast and crew, safe driving and stay safe, and thank you for representing Lucan in the One Act Drama Festival in 2021.

If further information is required please contact: Bernie on 0864015794 and Jack on 0860666626

Woodview Residents Mass of Remembrance

Deceased residents of Woodview
will be remembered
at the
7pm Mass
in St Patrick's Church
Saturday 13th November 2021

12 Daily Reminders

- The past cannot be changed
- Opinions don't define your reality
- Everyone's journey is different
- Things always get better with time
- Judgements are a confession of character
- Overthinking will lead to sadness
- Happiness is found within
- Positive thoughts create positive things
- Smiles are contagious
- Kindness is free
- You only fail if you quit
- What goes around, comes around

Parish Notes

St Mary's, Lucan

www.lucanparish.com



Congratulations to the pupils of *St Mary's Boys N.S.* and *Lucan Educate Together N.S.* who will receive

their First Holy Communion this Saturday 13th November. Hope you all have a lovely day. *Please remember them in your prayers.*

Sunday Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 6.30pm

Sunday: 9am, 10.30am, 12 noon and 7pm.

Notice: If you have a Sunday Mass booked please ring Sacristy to confirm time. Ph. 01 6281487.

Weekday Masses: Monday to Saturday 10am

Important: Our Church can be at full capacity. However we need to remember that Covid is still very much with us. We must continue to **wear face coverings in the church and use the hand sanitizer on the way in.**

For all Masses, please **enter the Church via the Main Door and exit via the other 2 doors.**

Those in the **benches** please go out through the **back porch door** and those in the **chairs** please exit via the **side door beside the nuns' chapel.** No exit via Main Porch Door.

Masses will continue to be live-streamed on www.lucanparish.com

Annual Mass of Remembrance

Our Annual Mass for all our departed relatives and friends will take place on

Wednesday 17th November at 8pm

At this Mass the names of those from our parish community who died in the past 12 months will be especially remembered.

The names of all those on the November list of the dead will automatically be included.



Private Prayer: The Church is open daily for private prayer on weekdays from 10.30am to 6pm (funerals permitting) and on Sundays after the 12pm Mass to 6pm.

St. Mary's Readers' Roster November 2021:

The roster for readers at the Saturday vigil and Sunday masses for the month of November 2021 was sent to all readers by email on 24th October. If any reader has not received it a copy is available for inspection in the sacristy.

Praying with Scripture: Praying with scripture has recommenced via zoom. If interested please contact Cheryl Murphy at 086 8343754 to register.

Baptisms: Dates are bookable online to the end of January 2022. Dates will be added as the need arises. If you need to cancel a booking contact: secretary@lucanparish.com

Visits to the housebound: If the housebound person has been fully vaccinated and at least two weeks have elapsed since the second dose, either Fr. Tom or Fr Philip and/or any ministers of the Eucharist who are also fully vaccinated can call once again. As a precaution we will wear face coverings and ask those to whom we are calling to do the same.

If you are housebound and are not already on the list you can call Deirdre at the parish office (01 621 7041) we will be happy to call on a monthly basis.

Confessions – Nuns' Chapel: After Saturday Morning 10am Mass and Saturday Evening 6.30pm Mass.

Deepest Sympathy to the family and friends of *Margaret (Madge) Farmer*, Sarsfield Park. *May she rest in peace.*



Medjugorje Mass

St Mary's Church, Lucan

**Rosary: 5.45pm,
Holy Mass: 6.15pm**

15th November
13th December

Mass also live at lucanparish.com

St. Patrick's Esker/ Dodsboro/Adamstown

www.stpatrickslucan.ie



St. Patrick's Parish Annual Mass of Remembrance

Our Annual Mass for all our departed will take place

THIS Friday 12th November at 7pm.

All those in our parish who passed away within the past twelve months will be especially remembered. November list of the dead will automatically be included.

This can also be viewed online at stpatrickslucan.ie



Masses: Vigil Saturday 7pm,
Sunday: 9am, **10.30am** and 12 noon.

The 10.30am Family Mass is now open to the public. –This Mass is aimed at younger parishioners and their families; it is an accessible liturgy for children and enables them to participate more fully in the Sunday Mass.

Weekday Masses: Monday to Friday at 10am.

All Masses continue to be livestreamed at stpatrickslucan.ie

We must continue to **wear face coverings in the church and use the hand sanitizer on the way in.**

View the following on www.stpatrickslucan.ie

Mass Readings for the week

Morning Prayer – Lauds

Evening Prayer – Vespers

Take five at 10 - Reflections–Weekdays: 10am

Taizé – Watch and Pray

St. Andrew's Church of Ireland

St Andrew's, Lucan:

Sunday 10am. **Wednesday:** 10am

St Mary's, Leixlip:

Sunday: 11.30am. **Tuesday:** 10am

Services are available on our parish Facebook pages: [St. Andrew's Church, Lucan](#) or [St Mary's Church, Leixlip](#)

Divine Mercy, Lucan South

www.lucansouthparish.net

Sunday Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil 6:30pm,

Sunday 10:15am and 12:15pm

Weekday Masses:

Monday to Friday 9:15am. Saturday 10am

Important:

We need to be diligent in continuing with the **wearing of face coverings and hand sanitising upon entering the church.**

All Masses will be livestreamed on

www.lucansouthparish.net

Daily Readings on website:

Under our Welcome menu you will find links for the Daily Mass Reading which updates every day as well as Sunday Mass Reading for the following Sunday's Mass. It is a great way to be able to read along during Mass if you so wish or take time to reflect on the passages during the week and see what message they have for you. One quick note is that if it is a Sunday and you want to see the Gospel for today then click on the Daily Mass Reading link as the Sunday listing will be for the following week.

Lucan Presbyterian Church

Morning Worship: 11am.

You will need a face covering (unless exempt) and your own Bible.

Services will be streamed online and available on Youtube?

Christmas Cards for Sale

In St Mary's Parish Centre

Christmas cards

(assorted designs) in aid of

The Peter McVerry Trust

Pack of 12 - €5

Christmas Novena

Masses available

Proceeds go to the Student Priests.

€6



Acknowledgement

BUTLER (JACK)

Jack's family in Lucan and Clonmore would like to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them on their great loss. We offer heartfelt thanks to our many wonderful relatives, friends and neighbours who visited our homes, provided emotional and practical support for us at this difficult time, attended the Funeral Mass, Burial and Memorial Mass. For those who telephoned, travelled long distances, sent floral tributes, cards, messages of condolences, as well as those who made charitable donations, we are truly grateful.

A special word of thanks to; Philip, Paul and Catriona and all Jack's friends and colleagues in Automatic Fire & Integrated Solutions who provided a very personal touch and tribute to Jack's Funeral arrangements. We would also like to acknowledge Jack's friends and colleagues from the wider construction industry who attended Jack's Funeral and /or reached out to us with their condolences, reminisces, love and support. To Jack's friends and colleagues from his days in Michael McNamara & Co. we thank you for your love support, friendship and for sharing your individual stories and recollections about Jack.

To all who turned out and held a Guard of Honour at Lucan Sarsfields GAA and Golf Society, Principal, Teachers and pupils from Scoil Mhuire, Airlie Heights/Woodview, Lucan, colleagues in Automatic, it was a lovely tribute to Jack and we thank you.

Our appreciation goes to Ian Brabazon, Laura Duff, Cor Naomh Padraig and Brendan O'Daly for the lovely music at both the funeral and month's mind Mass and Donal Bowe, Mary Joyce and Carol Noonan for the music at the Memorial Mass.

The Priests and Funeral Team of St. Patrick's Lucan and a special word of thanks to Fr. John, Fr. Pius and Fr. Ubaldo, Pat, May, Sr. Rosemarie, Sr. Mary and Mary Barr. Fr. Conor Hayes and Fr. Meehan and all in St. Anne's Church, Clonmore.

A special word of thanks to Hugh Courtney, the Courtney family and all the Staff in Courtney's/Reeds on the River, Lucan, Ger Hannigan and all the staff in Springfield Hotel, Leixlip, The staff in Finnstown House, Darren & his staff in Fitzpatrick's Country Club, Clonmore, the staff of Cunningham's who were so helpful, sensitive and professional handling the arrangements.

To all who took the time to write on RIP.ie from all over the world, your messages have all been read and your memories will be treasured.

To those who helped in any way, your contribution made our loss more bearable.

As it would be impossible to thank everyone individually, please accept this Acknowledgement as an expression of our deepest gratitude. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered in loving memory of Jack and for your intentions on Sunday 28th November at 10.30am. (www.stpatrickslucan.ie)



Anniversaries

ANDERSON (MICHAEL)

10th Anniversary – 16th November

In loving memory of my brother.

Thinking of you Michael

On this day and always.

Sadly missed, Frank and Ann xxx

FORAN (JIM)

11th Anniversary – 12th November

Late of Cherbury Park Ave.

A shadow walks beside me

Forever by my side

Always there to guide me

Ever since you died

So always stay beside me

It's so nice to know you're there

Thank you for the memories

And the times we loved and shared.

So sadly missed by your wife Nodlaig and our 13 children

For Grandad Foran

Of all the gifts in life

However big or small

To have you as our grandad

Was the greatest gift of all.

Loved so much and remembered by your many grandchildren and great grandchildren

GALLIGAN (PHILIP)

7th Anniversary – 14th November

Late of Woodview Estate, Lucan.

God called your name so gently

That only you could hear

No one heard the footsteps

Of the angel drawing near

Softly from the shadows

There came a gentle call

You closed your eyes and went to sleep

You quietly left us all.

Missing you every day.

Love always, Dolores, Karen, Vanessa, Natasha, Amanda, Lynn, grandchildren and sons-in-law

Philips 7th Anniversary Mass will take place on Saturday 13th November in St. Patrick's Church Esker at 7pm.

McCABE (MICHAEL - WHEELY)

27th Anniversary – 12th November

Sadly missed and loved always by Catherine, Robert, Anne, Eileen and their families

Anniversaries

McCABE (BABY CONCHÚR)

10th Anniversary

This message is for our baby boy
Just to send you all 'Our Love'
Sadly no longer hear on earth
You're an 'Angel' up above
We never will forget you
You are thought of every day
The love we hold within our hearts
Never fades away
Your little sister Réaltín
Will always know your name
Going on without you
Life's just not the same
Rest peacefully with your family
Who have also gone before
Watch over us always
Until we meet again once more
To our most beautiful baby boy Conchúr
"We close our eyes to see you here with us,
We fall asleep and you are the star of our dreams."
Mammy, Daddy and little sister Réaltín xxx



McCABE (BABY CONCHÚR)

Conchúr you passed away so innocent and true
So brief was your time, we hardly knew
A baby boy so sweet and loved
The time we had with you, we will treasure forever
An early arrival in Heaven that day
Met by angels in all their array
A comforting thought as they welcomed you there
So much to see and so much to share
*Inar gcoirthe go deo –
From Nana Magsie, Grandad Mattie, Auntie Helen
(and Ciaran) and Uncle Alan (and Cammy)*

POOLE (MARY)

3rd Anniversary away from home 16th November

Goodbyes are not forever
Goodbyes are not the end
They simply mean we miss you
Until we meet again...
Thinking of you today Mam as we always do.
Love and miss you every day.
Liam, Jenny and Stephen

Recent Death

CLARKE (SEAN)

It was with great sadness that we learned of the death of former Lucan Newsletter team member, **Sean Clarke**, from Lucan Heights. Sean helped out on the printing for many years, and treated us to much fun and laughter in his time with us.
We offer our deepest sympathy to his family and friends. May he rest in peace.

KENNEDY (MARGARET nee Kelly)

Margaret spent her happy childhood days in Sarsfield Park with some of the dearest friends you could ever wish for . . . and when tragedy came knocking they rallied round and organised a celebration of her life . . . our beautiful red-headed sister was terminally ill and was being honoured with a 'going away party' . . . and inevitably, such was the esteem in which Mag was held, Kenny's was packed to the doors . . . it was not long after that Mag passed away on November 13th, 2004; eight years after her mammy Joanie . . . we like to think that the party continued up above . . . here is a small tribute to Mag and those special friends.

Rolling Back the Years

By John Kelly

And when tragedy came calling,
We marvelled at your dignity and bravery;
Family and friends had gathered in Kenny's,
To honour a special redhead;
And something magical happened that night;
For a few hours we let our hair down,
Reliving some of the happiest moments of our lives;
Not many get the chance to do that,
And it was a privilege to be there;
But there was also apprehension;
Should we be laughing heartily,
As our dear sister faced her darkest hour?
But you were quick to set the tone;
'Well I don't know about you lot,
But I'm going to have the craic tonight';
And the atmosphere lifted instantly;
All lingering gloom evaporated,
And everyone bought in to your inspirational lead;
Collectively we parked the sadness,
And what followed was a fusion of music,
Dance, fun, nostalgia, laughter, tears and tall tales;
And, yes, celebrations;
Inhibitions fell away and a terrific vibrancy prevailed;
And your glorious smile shone over all of us;
Disco lights and sounds beckoned,
And yes sir we boogied;
From Baccara to the Bee Gees,
To the Rolling Stones and Roxy Music;
We were transported back to our youth;
Back to the dance floors of the Hollow,
The Spa Hotel and O'Neill's lounge;
We lurched to slow sets with old flames,
And watched enviously as Gerry moved like Jagger;
We were all giddy teenagers again;
And amid the reminiscing and banter,
An unforgiving and rapacious illness,
Was banished for one unforgettable night;
Thanks Mag for making it so special.





Our fingers are crossed for Lucan Tidy Towns, as we await the results due to be announced from the RDS this Friday 12th November. The event is being livestreamed. We should have the full report for Lucan for next week's issue.

Saw a headline in the papers: "Warning for Dublin churchgoers ahead of winter cold snap". It referred to the cost of heating some of the larger churches with all the latest energy price hikes.

If memory serves me right, there was no heating at all in St. Mary's until near the end of the 1960s, when some kind benefactor had radiators installed. I don't remember feeling particularly cold, but then I was all wrapped up in what my mother called 'my teddybear coat', and woolly hat!

Might be a market for that class of attire again!



What's going on here? Is it a Bus Stop, or a Bus Lane? It's approaching the narrowest stretch of road just outside AIB, leaving very little room for cars heading up the Main Road, or through the village. Perhaps it's part of this new village plan!

Christmas is coming hard and fast, from ads on the telly to the festive goods coming to meet you at the door of the supermarket! We can hardly believe that we only have 5 more Newsletters after this issue, before Christmas!

LOST

Glasses lost between Beech Park and Griffeen Park. If found, please ring 01-6280794.



FOUND

Gents Tweed Cap, 8th Nov. afternoon, in Esker Lawns. Ph: 087-9347397



Scoil Mhuire

Woodview Hts / Airlie Hts

Junior Infants Enrolment for Sept 2022



Opens from Nov 15 until Dec 3rd, 2021

See www.scoilmhuire.ie for application form

Enrolment 2022

St. Thomas' J.N.S.

Esker, Lucan, Co. Dublin



We will commence registration for incoming

Junior Infants (2022)

on **Monday Nov. 1st 2021.**

Closing date for applications is January 28th 2022.

Please see our website www.stthomasjns.com for further information regarding the registration process.

St. Mary's Boys' National School

are now enrolling

Junior Infants for September 2022

The closing date for enrolment is Friday 19th November 2021

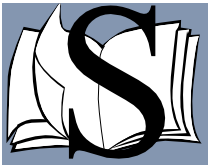
The application forms can be downloaded from the home page of our school website which is www.stmarysbnsLucan.com

For more information

please contact 01-6281857

or email info@stmarysbnsLucan.com





SCHOOL NEWS



St. Joseph's College

Dublin Zoo: Our second year students started Science Week with a visit to Dublin Zoo on Monday. They were accompanied by their year head and tutors. The rain held off for most of the visit and Dublin Zoo looked fabulous!

Special Assemblies November 2021

We introduced a new **Wellbeing Initiative** to our school this year. Rewarding positive behaviour through positive credits. Teachers awarded credits for positive behaviour and actions. Students were rewarded for – kind acts, good manners, student's helping a teacher, students helping each other, contribution to school spirit/ ethos, positive behaviour/attitude.

7000 credits were awarded in eight weeks since the initiative began - no mean feat!

The **Special Assembly** was held on Friday by Zoom.

The student in each tutor group with the most credits received a Certificate.

The overall winner in each Year Group received a Liffey Valley Voucher and Certificate.

Well done to **Sandra Shibu** 1st year, **Agnes Martin** 2nd year, **Radina Hristova** 3rd year, **Oluchukwu-Jay Uwechue** 5th year and **Mehjabin Kamal** 6th year.

The winner of the tutor group that received the most credits in both the Junior and Senior year-groups won a Day Trip!

Well done to 2A4 and 5A5 who won the day trips!

The next Special Assembly will be in February. So the counting has begun for that one already.

Team Hope Christmas Shoe Box Appeal: As this newsletter goes to print we have had an amazing 170 shoe boxes donated by students, parents, teachers and community. We are very grateful for all of the support for this very worthy charity. Our target was 200 boxes, so fingers crossed!

Austin Currie

We have fond memories of Austin Currie's visit to our school on Wednesday, 20th March, 2019. He spoke to the senior History students from St. Joseph's College, Coláiste Phádraig and Lucan Community College. Mr. Currie spoke in depth about his life growing up in Northern Ireland and of his role in the Civil Rights Movement over 50 years ago. All present listened intently to the challenges that existed for many living in the North in the 1960s, how the efforts for change were received and how important the issue of reconciliation is as relevant to society today as it was then. Rest in Peace.



Parents' Association: A huge thank you to Merissa, Sheena, Peter & Rachel for helping out in Rosie's Garden on Saturday. They were preparing the ground for the climbers which will be sown. It was great to make that progress and get our hands stuck in - the wind and rain did make for challenging conditions but we kept at it. We have another four areas to prepare if anyone is

free to help out on the next day that suits. Rain gear, garden boots and being handy with a shovel is recommended!

Email: stjoeyspa@gmail.com

School website

<https://stjosephslucan.com>

Follow us on Twitter:

@STJosephs3



6th year students receiving their certificates with year head Ms Forde.

Coláiste Phádraig CBS

Young Scientists: Congratulations to 2nd yrs Joel Emmanuel and Rohit Tummala, as well as 3rd yrs Taha Farooqi and Jevin Joy, Abhinay Sriram, Aniruddh Sriram and Elvin Garcia who have had their group projects accepted into the Virtual BT Young Scientist Exhibition which will take place from 12th to 14th January 2022. Coláiste Phádraig have a strong tradition of participants at this prestigious annual competition and we wish this year's cohort the best of luck and hopefully they will impress the judges enough to win a prize. The 3rd yr students will be committing a lot of time and effort into their projects once they complete their Christmas exams this month so hopefully all will go to plan!

Careers: A new CAO website was launched last week and for the 1st time, the website will act as a gateway to non-CAO options such as post-Leaving Training Boards (ETBs) as well as a link to information about the expanding number of apprenticeship opportunities available for students. 6th yr students will now be able to apply for PLCs via the portal, and the relevant ETB will follow up with them about various requirements and make an offer to suitable candidates. All further education and training timelines will from now on be linked to CAO timelines with the offers being issued at the same time.



Woodwork: Mr. Flynn's 2nd yr woodwork students were tasked with designing clocks with positive quotes on them as part of the well-being aspect of the new subject specification. The students set about their projects with zeal and enthusiasm, producing a wonderful collection of high standard clocks with uplifting and inspiring messages such as "You'll Never Walk Alone" "Be yourself" "Be the hero of your story" and "Believe in yourself". These clocks will no doubt be now hanging proudly in the students' sitting rooms and bedrooms, boosting the mood of anyone who reads the messages. Well done to the students on their creativity and skill.

Transition Year: Our TY classes were taken separately into Dublin City over the past two weeks for the historic 1916 Guided Walking Tour. The students thoroughly enjoyed an interesting and informative afternoon where they gained new insights into the events of the 1916 Easter Rising, right where this historic event took place. Young people especially can so often be unaware in today's fast paced modern society on the many stories behind the famous landmarks of our capital that they pass by regularly without truly appreciating their historic significance. The students had two very experienced and knowledgeable tour guides who led them on a rewarding journey throughout some of the key areas of the 1916 rising. Both guides were gifted and funny story tellers and they managed to sustain the students' interest throughout with humorous and surprising anecdotes. The groups began in Trinity College before finishing in Dublin Castle while taking in O'Connell Street, Rosie Hackett Bridge and the 4 Courts in the process. The tour was extremely interactive and the students were actively encouraged to ask as many questions as possible. The guides were extremely patient and accommodating throughout and provided the students with many local secrets to the landmarks and historic places that they have acquired over the years guiding tourists. The students gained a different and fresh perspective on the material they have learned in History class and they learned a lot from the tour and they are to be commended on their enthusiasm, co-operation and good manners throughout.

Soccer: Well done to 5th yr Luke O' Brien who helped the Republic of Ireland secure progression to the UEFA u17 European Championship Elite Round of qualification to be held in Spring. The team topped their group after three matches in October, defeating Malta and Macedonia before drawing with Poland, with Luke playing every minute at left back. Luke currently plays with St. Patrick's Athletic u17s and he is undoubtedly a player of immense talent and potential.

Table Tennis: Well done to 6th yr Navneet Sriram who was also away representing Ireland recently in the British Junior Table Tennis League, England's premier club competition. Navneet was one of five players to travel with his club Loop Table Tennis, Raheny to compete against clubs from England, Wales, Scotland, Guernsey, Jersey and the Isle of Man. Ireland won the competition outright with Navneet winning 5 of his 6 individual matches. The team will be returning to Derby early in next year for the next instalment of the League.

Lucan Community College

Junior Girls Gaelic – by Saoirse Balfe: Well done to the Junior Girls Gaelic team in their win against St. Louis High School. All the girls fought really hard for the entire match and it was a great way to kick off the new Gaelic season.

It was the first school match for many of the side and they did a brilliant job!

Thanks to teachers Ms McCormack and Ms Collins.



Under 14 Boys Gaelic: We had our first U14 Gaelic football game this week. It was fantastic to see all the players back on the pitch after 18 months. We played our game against St Michaels College in UCD. There was a great standard of football played by Lucan CC and we ran out winners in the end. Well done all. Final score: Lucan CC 5:15 St. Michael's College 4:6 Thanks to teachers Mr Callaghan and Mr Mc Gowan

U17 Boys Soccer – by Matthew Fitzgerald: Lucan CC met Kishoge last Tuesday in a very tight game. Lucan were winning 3-0 at half time with goals from Alex, Darren and Kevin. Unfortunately, Kishoge came back in the second half to bring the score level 3-3 at full time. As this game was a cup game it went on to extra time. There were no goals in Extra Time so the game had to be decided by penalties where Kishoge won 4-3. Thanks to teachers Mr MacGrianra and Mr McGrenra.

Under 15 Boys Soccer – by Bobby Laycock
The under- 15 boys soccer team played a match against Maynooth Post Primary this week. At full time the match was scoreless and went to penalties. Unfortunately for Lucan, Maynooth won in a final score of 5 - 4. Thanks to teacher Mr Clancy.

Ladies Soccer: The Junior Ladies Soccer team won their first cup game against Palmerstown on Friday last and will advance into the next stage of the competition. Our Minor team also played in their first game for LCC on Thursday. Unfortunately they lost but played a great game. Thanks to teachers Ms Collins and Ms Dowling.

Past Pupils Playing for Lucan Sarsfields: There were many recognisable (if a little older!) faces on TV last Saturday as Lucan Sarsfields took on St Jude's in the Go-Ahead Dublin County Senior Club Football Championship semi-Final in Parnell Park. Great to see our past pupils representing Lucan.

Step Aerobics: Fancy an early start to the weekend? Join teacher Ms Dowling as she leads the step aerobics class every Friday morning at 8:20 am in the PE Hall. Students from every year are very welcome and any staff member who comes along will be equally welcome!

Walking Debate: Class O'Riordan took part in a walking debate. As they walked they debated on lowering the voting age in Ireland to 16. Each side of the debate produced great arguments. Well done! Thanks to teacher Ms. Flanagan for encouraging these two great activities side by side!

Senior Debating: Congratulations to our senior debating team- Alex Dela Cruz, Joel Ogunkoyejo, Keisha Correos, Ana Gayubo Kinch, Jason Driscoll and Conor Keohane who performed wonderfully in their first Concern debate competition against Scoil Mhuire in Trim. The result should be finalised this week. Thanks to teachers Ms Gregory and Ms Shannon. Any senior students interested in joining the debating club should see either of these teachers for more information.

Soroptimist International: 5th Year students Jessica Power and Ana Gayubo Kinch are preparing for the first round of the Soroptimist Public Speaking Competition, which will take place this Saturday. Soroptimist International is an organisation that seeks to further the status of women and girls. Soroptimists inspire action and create opportunities to transform the lives of women and girls through a global network of members and partnerships. It is a great honour for LCC to have our students represent us in this competition. Good luck! Thanks to teacher Ms Hickey.

Bereavement

All of us in Lucan CC were very saddened to hear of the passing of past pupil Samantha Cruise. Samantha attended our school from 2003-2008. *Rest in peace.*

Palmerstown Camera Club

Palmerstown Camera Club was treated to some wonderful images from Brian Hopper a professional photographer based in Blackrock, Co Louth last week. He is a landscape photographer and has been involved in photography for over forty years.



A few weeks back we had our Nature competition and some super shots from our photographers, below we have two of the winning images.



Terry Healy won the mono novice competition for his image titled "Ladies to the left".



And **Elaine Butler** won with this image titled "Bluetit removing chick's faecal sack from the nest" in the advanced colour competition.

People interested in joining the club or even attending one or two meetings free of charge to see how their photography could benefit from being a member can do so by contacting secpcc@gmail.com



We had a great meitheal of workers on Saturday last. So many that some even had time to be leaning on their shovels!

In response to a request from some residents of Esker hill area, we cut back some dangerous overgrowth. Marian and Philomena continued planting biodiversity friendly bulbs which were kindly donated by South Dublin Co Co. Brid and Josephine cleared leaves from the steps down to Lucan road, busy while Maria and Hanneke replanted apple trees from Hanneke's garden. As we write this we are holding our breath, awaiting the big announcement on Friday - the results of the National Tidy Towns Competition. We are small but dedicated players in this field. We enjoy what we do, even more so in these restricted times. It would be nice to receive national recognition of our efforts but whatever the results we are glad to be in a position to make our contribution to the wellbeing of the people of Lucan.

So thank you to all our team of volunteers, including our outlying litter pickers who cover parks such as Demesne, Edmundsbury, Ballyowen, Willsbrook; also to Joey's Tidy Towns who are out litter-picking on Fridays; our Transition Year students past and present, and finally to all our local supporters.

Kevin O'Loughlin
Chair



Political Notes

Paul Gogarty - Independent

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Village green parking scheme:

The finalised drawings for consultation aren't published yet, so it's not possible to outline accurate plans for the village area in the vicinity of the Green and retail outlets. I will update when this becomes available but have asked council management not to commence a public consultation over the Christmas period.

GP services in Lucan:

Over the last few months I have raised the need for additional GP services. With population increases and retirements, it has been proving difficult for newer residents to access a local doctor. SDCC confirms that it is possible for residential units in new developments such as Adamstown to seek planning permission for use as surgeries. However so far there has been little demand. On a positive note, the HSE confirms that a primary health care centre is earmarked for Adamstown around 2024.

Emer Higgins TD – Fine Gael

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Italian Embassy in Lucan:

The issue with repairs to the wall at the Italian Embassy in Lucan village has been ongoing for some time.

South Dublin Co Council confirmed that they have agreed to carry out Site Investigation work at the location (inside and outside the wall) to assist in design process. This work is ongoing. To date there has been no agreement on payment for the repairs.

Lucan Village:

I'm currently conducting a survey of businesses and residents in and around Lucan Village on the initial proposals by the Council for new traffic management plans for the village. If you would like a copy of this please get in touch.

Gino Kenny TD - People Before Profit

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National Transport Authority Lucan Luas:

On Tuesday, the [National Transport Authority](#) (NTA) published its draft transport plan for the Greater Dublin Area, under which no new train or tram lines will be built within the next decade.

According to the scheme, planned major rail projects including Luas lines to Lucan are not expected to be delivered until after 2031. This

will be a huge disappointment to those that have been advocating for a light rail way system in Lucan. Given the level of new houses in the greater Lucan area over the next decade public transport is key to address not only traffic congestion but carbon emissions.

Liona O'Toole – Independent

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Proposed Village Plans:

A **final plan** is still being finalised which will go out to Public consultation end of month/early December. I have asked if management will consider my proposal to hold open evening/s as part of this public consultation, whereby the public can access the plans and speak directly with council officials, Covid restrictions will have to be considered, I hope to be able to confirm this at a later stage. Either way I will be available to assist all with the process.

Process for clearing of leaves:

Many residents have contacted me on this issue, Oxigen carry out this service for SDCC. Use regular refuse sacks when bagging the leaves then call 014149000 or email publicrealm@sdublincoco.ie with the location. Areas requesting a road sweep only can call/email advising the location so that a road sweep can be arranged. Or contact me directly.

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Little Library:

The Council Library Service told me at our last local area meeting that they would consider stocking a "little library" if a site could be found and someone was able to take responsibility for its management. This sounds like a project for a local group or residents association! Please feel free to contact me if you are interested in such a project.

Village Plans:

At our Council meeting this month we gave the go ahead for plans to be drafted for improvements to Lucan Village, Lucan Weir and Lucan Demesne. When drafts are ready, and have been approved as drafts by councillors, the draft plans will go on public display and residents will get to have a say on the plans by making submissions to the Council. I will keep residents posted about this as I am sure will my fellow local councillors.



Cumann na Sáirséalaigh Leamhcáin



12th Lock Café is open from 6pm-8pm weekdays and Saturday 9am-2pm when training is taking place.



The Club Shop is open Thursdays 7-9pm and Saturdays 10am to 1pm.

**Lató Na Sáirséalaigh Leamhcáin
Lucan Sarsfields Club Lotto**

Ní raibh aon buaiteoir phota óir de €1,000 sa chrannchur a tharla ar an Déardaoin, ar an 4ú de mhí an Samhain a raibh urraithe ag:
There was no winner of the €1,000 Jackpot held on Thursday 4th

November 2021 sponsored by:
Clandillon Motors

Tarraingíodh na huimhreacha seo a leanas:
The numbers drawn were: 9,12,21,27

Buaiteoirí tobair an áidh a fhaigheann €30 an duine ná:
Lucky Dip winners of €30 each:
Josephine Donoghue, Laurence Fitzharris, Nicole Helmraht, Patricia Duffy, Laura Fox



Tá €1,400 sa phota óir don tseachtain seo chugainn agus is é urraitheoir na seachtaine:
The Jackpot for the next draw is €1,400, and is sponsored by:
John Ryan, Accountant

Tarlóidh an crannchur ar an Déardaoin, 11ú de mhí an Samhain ag 9 i.n. faoi bhainistiú Gerry McAndrew. Beidh sé beo ón Na Sárséalaigh Leamhcáin, an leathanach Facebook. Déan cinnte go bhfuil d'iontráil curtha isteach agaibh roimh 6 i.n. oíche an chrannchuir, chun í a chur san áireamh sa chrannchur na seachtaine sin.

The draw will be held on Thursday 11th November, at 9pm, managed by Gerry McAndrew and live streamed from Lucan Sarsfields Clubhouse, on our Facebook page. Make sure your entry is submitted before 6pm on the evening of the draw to be included in that week's draw.

Is féidir libh ticéadaí a cheannacht ar líne leis an nasc seo:
Tickets can be purchased online at the following link:

<http://bit.ly/LucanSarsfieldsClubLotto>

Go raibh míle maith agaibh as ucht tacú le Na Sárséalaigh Leamhcáin.

Thank You for supporting Lucan Sarsfields GAA Club.

Congratulations to the U14A's who captured the U14 Division 2 cup with a 4 point win over Plunketts and to our Junior C Footballers, who overcame Cuala by 7 points in Hyde Park, to reach the the Junior 6S Football Championship final at home against Ballyboden next Sunday. Lucan U21B Hurlers got a walkover vs. Castleknock who were unable to field. They now advance to a semi-final vs Kilmacud Crokes on Nov 20th.

Our Senior Footballers lost their first game of the 2021 championship on Saturday evening in Parnell Park, unfortunately this was to cost them a place in the county final. In Dave Cullens first season at the helm, great credit has to be given to this young team and management on reaching the semi-final, and this experience will stand to them in the coming years. Huge thanks to all the supporters that came to the game, and especially to all the juveniles who continued to chant 'Lucan, Lucan, Lucan' right to the end of the game.

Camogie Minor and U20 Competitions continue next weekend, as does U16 and U21 Football, and the Minor A/B Football Championship Shield Final takes place on Sunday at 11am, when Lucan will take on Na Fianna.

The 2021 Annual General Meeting of Lucan Sarsfields GAA Club will take place on Thursday November 25th at 9pm. Due to the ongoing restrictions in place, the meeting will be conducted online on Microsoft Teams. Any full member wishing to attend should send an email to Club Secretary, by 11th November, 2021.

The LDCU Academy takes place on Saturdays for boys and girls aged between 4 and 7. See our website for booking details.





Na Gaeil Óga CLG

Fáilte chuig an Nuachtlitr is déanaí ó Na Gaeil Óga, áit a bhfaighidh tú an t-eolas is déanaí faoi gach rud atá ag tarlú inár bpobal bríomhar.

Buachailí 2010

Bhí lá iontach ag buachailí 2010 inniu. Bhí cluiche i gcoinne Colt/Shanahoe i gCo. Laoise acu agus ansin ar aghaidh leo go cluiche ceannais Chill Chainnigh i bPáirc Uí Nualláin, áit a bhfuair siad deis bualadh leis an laoch iomána TJ Reid tar éis an chluiche.

The 2010 boys had a great day on Sunday/ They had a match against Colt/Shanahoe in Laois and they went on to the Kilkenny final in Nowlan Park, where they had the chance to meet the hurling legend TJ Reid after the match.



Peil na mBan

Bhí bua iontach ag foireann peile na mban ag an deireadh seachtaine i gcluiche leathcheannais an choirn. Bhí an bua acu in aghaidh Réalta na hÉireann 1-15 go 0-02. Ádh mór orthu sa chluiche ceannais an deireadh seachtaine seo chugainn i gcoinne Chluain Tarbh!

The women's football team had a great win against Stars of Erin this weekend in the Cup semi-final with a score of 1-15 to 0-02. Good luck to them in the final next weekend against Clontarf!

Mórdhinnéar Na Gaeil Óga

Tá áthas orainn a rá go mbeidh mórdhinnéar Na Gaeil Óga ar siúl ar an 27ú Samhain sa Hilton ag Charlemont. Tá €70 ar na ticéid agus tá siad ar fáil ar clubzapp.

We are delighted to say that the club's annual dinner will be taking place on the 27th November in the Hilton at Charlemont. Tickets are €70 and are available to purchase on clubzapp.

Peil do na hAithreacha

Tá muid ag cur tús le foireann peile do na haithreacha. Beidh an traenáil dírithe ar spraoi agus ar fhoghlaim na Gaeilge. Beidh sé oiriúnach do dhaoine ar gach leibhéal peile agus Gaeilge, ina measc daoine nár imir peil riamh agus/nó daoine nach bhfuil ach beagán Gaeilge acu.

Más maith leat do spéis a léiriú, líon isteach an fhoirm seo led' thoil

<https://forms.gle/Ekkfw4ErrmWnAa3T8>

We will be starting a football team for Dads, with the training being focused on enjoyment and learning Irish. It will be suitable to people of all levels of football and Irish, including people who have never played football before or people who have only a little bit of Irish.



If you would like to register your interest in this, please complete this form.

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Alternately email notices/reports to any of the following:

Community / Schools/ Local History
marylucannewsletter@gmail.com

Sport / Politics
roselucannewsletter@gmail.com

Parish Notes / Fund Raising
annalucannewsletter@gmail.com

Anniversaries etc / Advertising Queries
catherinelucannewsletter@gmail.com

South Dublin Co. Co. on Dumping

Household Waste Collection Services are operating and Civic Amenity sites are open.



If you witness dumping contact

014149000/wasteregulation@sducobco.ie

St. Mary's Camera Soirée

This week at our weekly gathering in the Parish Centre we revisited some of the tricks that are contained in the Photoshop software for enhancing photographs and eliminating flaws in them. We looked at the tricky business of using flash for indoor photography with a view to avoiding problems with red eye, wall shadows and over exposure and we also looked at the camera settings that can be used to avoid the use of flash indoors.



In relation to the photographs submitted on WhatsApp by members of the group in time for publication in this weekend's Newsletter, Anna submitted some fantastic photographs of "Wild Lights at Dublin Zoo" which takes place until 9th January 2022. Donal displayed his expertise in still life photography with coffee beans and nuts as well as producing some wild life shots and Paddy produced some more autumnal scenes. Conor submitted nature photographs of what he called sinter visitors taken off Bull Island and also nature shots taken near St. Anne's Park which will be included in next week's edition.



Stay safe until next week!