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Autumn, the 'season of mists and mellow fruitfulness' is upon us!

Poet, John Keats brings us a great description of the passing of the seasons in his famous poem, as if every other season was in preparation for Autumn.

Already, we've seen an abundance of fruits, plenty of apples and pears, and in the wild, the blackberries are just waiting to be plucked.

*'And still more, later flowers for the bees,
Until they think warm days will never cease'*

Indeed, there are still plenty of blooms providing sustenance for the bees and other insects.

The atmospheric mists shrouded us in the past week. The darker evenings are setting in. Thoughts turn to lighting the fire or turning on the heating

*'The red-breast whistles from a garden-croft;
And gathering swallows twitter in the skies.'*

Enjoy the season as it passes – before we bed down for winter!

(Photo from St. Mary's Camera Soiree)

Lucan Citizens Information Centre

www.citizensinformation.ie

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 0761 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) 0761 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 0761 07 2270 or email clondalkin@mabs.ie

Closing dates

Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance
The closing date for this scheme is **Thursday 30 Sept 2021**

Fuel allowance or national fuel scheme – there is no official closing date for this scheme, but it is important to apply before the start of the scheme which is the beginning of October as if you apply after this date the Dept will not backdate your allowance. Application forms are available from your local post office or Intreo office or from the CIC website.

Please apply before the start of the heating season (beginning of October). If you apply after this, the department cannot backdate your allowance.

Student Grant scheme – SUSI

SUSI will stop accepting applications around the first week in November – the closing date is to be confirmed.

Positive Ageing Week – runs from 27th September 2021 to 1 October 2021.

Helplines

Parentline – 1890 927 277 or 01 - 8733500

Threshold helps those who are worried about losing their home. Their National Freephone Helpline is 1800 454 454

Leo – Local Enterprise Office

<https://www.localenterprise.ie/southdublin>

About the Local Enterprise Office – Tel 01 4149000

Local Enterprise Office South Dublin is one of 31 dedicated teams across the Local Authority network in Ireland. It is for people interested in starting up a new business or already in business including entrepreneurs, early stage promoters and small businesses looking to expand.

We offer a range of training, financial grants and supports, along with a business advice service to help you with starting and growing your business.

Covid 19

On citizensinformation.ie you will find a range of topics related to Covid 19 – including Social Welfare and Employment.

On www.gov.ie/recovery there is information on public health measures for September and October 2021.



PLEASE NOTE:

We are **NOT operating from the Newsletter Office at the moment**, but leave your ads, queries or notices in the **letter box at St. Mary's Parish Centre, before 10pm on Wednesday night**, and we'll collect and look after them.

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

FOUND

Set of Keys found in Esker Cemetery (near the water tap).

Can be collected from St Mary's Sacristy. Phone 01 6281487.



Lucan Drama

Events at Lucan Drama are rollicking away at a terrific pace. We started off with a fast-paced, energetic workshop which was conducted by Brian Whitney and immensely enjoyed by members new and old. This provided a fun start to the Drama year's activities.



Two One-Act plays were also cast successfully this week. Both of these are going forward for the **One-Act Festival**. This is very exciting albeit challenging for Lucan Drama as the standard is extraordinarily high. However, Lucan Drama has achieved many awards in the past and will certainly do so again. We wish them oodles of luck.

A Kind Of Vesuvius by Gillian Plowman, dealing with everyday themes which focus on the male psyche is directed by Carol Ryan, while Vincent Casey is directing the intensely emotional **Contractions** by Mike Bartlett, an interplay between two women

For further information on Lucan Drama email lucandrama@gmail.com

You can't turn the
clock back



But you can wind it up again!

Re Closure of Credit Union Office

Dear Editor,

I went to the village last Monday to do my usual errands. To my dismay the main Credit Union Office in the Mall was closed. A notice on the door informed me it is now moved to the Finnstown Office. I think this is a major loss to the village and a serious inconvenience to those who endeavour to conduct their business in the village. I have been a member of Lucan CU for 45 years.



It is a sad day for Lucan Village when the Credit Union that was set up to serve them in 1968 has moved to an area that no longer accommodate them.

Truly disappointed,

(name and address with editor)

Koins for Kids

Koins for Kids have a target of €1,000,000 to raise funds for equipment in the New Children's Hospital! So far we have raised a total of €230,000, a great achievement.



Lucan Parish and greater community have contributed over €8,000 to this. Thanks so much to everyone.

We do not often have names of those who contribute, but we thank everyone for their contribution no matter how large or small. We accept all types of coinage and all types of notes, old money, new money, old notes, pre decimal, foreign, anything you no longer have a use for and that might be lying in a drawer or a lint filled pocket of an old coat. We can make good use of it.

Contributions can be left in St Mary's Parish Centre, Lucan or the sacristy in St. Mary's Church.

Many thanks,

Damien Douglas, 0879519222.

Pre- Internet chat room - but they still used windows.



Parish Notes

St Mary's, Lucan

www.lucanparish.com



Sunday Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil: 6.30pm (no 5pm Mass)

Sunday: 8.45am, 10.30am, 12.15pm and 7pm.

Notice:

We ask those who had booked either of the Saturday Evening Masses to please phone the Sacristy 01 6281487 to rearrange booking.

Weekday Masses:

Monday to Saturday 10am

New Arrangements:

From this Saturday (11th September) there will be **only one** Vigil Mass on Saturday Evening at **6.30pm**.

Our capacity for each Mass has increased to **300** while this is great news 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.

We ask people to disperse throughout the Church when they come to Mass and to leave a space between themselves and the next person/household.

At each Mass, the priests will ask for extra volunteers, on the day, to help the Stewards sanitise the seats etc.

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

Private Prayer:

The Church is open daily for private prayer on weekdays from 10.30am to 6pm (funerals permitting) and on Sundays after the 12.15pm Mass to 6pm. Please enter by the Main Porch Door and exit by the side door (near the Nuns' Chapel).

Praying with Scripture:

Praying with scripture will recommence via zoom from **Tuesday 14th September**. If interested please contact Cheryl Murphy at 086 8343754 to register.

Baptisms:

Dates are bookable online to the end of October. 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:

Monday and Wednesday after 10am Mass
Saturday after the 10am and 6.30pm.

Medjugorje Mass

Schedule: September – December

St Mary's Church, Lucan

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

13th September

11th October
15th November
13th December

To reserve a seat:

Call Pat at 087 223 8911

Mass also live at lucanparish.com

Please note that the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended by Pope Francis

St. Patrick's Esker/Doddsboro /Adamstown

www.stpatrickslucan.ie



Sunday Masses:

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

10.30am Family Mass – live streamed only This online 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.

Summary of reopening measures until 17th October

Capacity will be 50%, accommodating a maximum of 300 people. Admission continues on a first come basis.

Church opening times 9.15 a.m. Monday-Saturday inclusive

The facility of the Church car park for participation at **Sunday Mass** will remain available.

Mass can be accessed over the usual Church media channels

10.30am Family Mass will continue online until Sunday 17th October

Weekday Masses:

Monday to Friday at 10am.

Confessions:

Confessions can be requested after Mass.

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

Lucan Presbyterian Church

Morning Worship: 11am.

Reserve a place for church services: You can either register via our simple online booking form or give us a call on 0858231123. There will be 2 spaces available for anyone who drops in. But these will be offered on a first come, first served basis.

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

Services will be streamed online and available on Youtube?

Divine Mercy, Lucan South

www.lucansouthparish.net

New Contact Details:

Fr Ubaldo Muhindo 01 4056858

Parish Office: Monday- Friday: 9.45am – 1pm

Tel: 01 4572900

E-mail: lucansouthparish@gmail.com

Congregation capacity increase:

Our capacity at each Mass has increased. While this is great news, we need to remember that Covid is still very much with us. With this in mind, we need to be diligent in continuing with the wearing of face coverings and hand sanitising upon entering the church. Let us all endeavour to keep everyone safe by following the guidelines from the competent authority.

Sunday Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil 6:30pm,

Sunday 10:15am and 12:15pm

Weekday Masses:

Monday to Friday 9:15am. Saturday 10am

All Masses will be livestreamed on

www.lucansouthparish.net

Private Prayer:

The Faustina Chapel is open for private prayer from 10am to 12 noon Monday to Friday.

St. Andrew's Church of Ireland

St Andrew's: Sunday 10am. **Wednesday:**10am

St Mary's: Sunday:11.30am. **Tuesday:** 10am

Bookings for both church services can be made at bookleixlip@gmail.com, please indicate which service you are booking for and the number of people.

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

Prayer for Afghanistan

For those who are fleeing: Sanctuary.

For those who are staying: Safety.

For those who are fighting: Peace.

For those whose hearts are broken:

Comfort.

For those who see no future: Hope.

Anniversaries

JARVIS (BERNARD - BARNEY)

8th Anniversary - 20th September

Late of A.G.P.

You came from across the waters

It was a rough start

But you always cherished family

And had Love in your heart

Dublin called to you where you made your start

Working hard, having pints

While throwing the darts

Then came Murphy's and "Anne" into your life

Changes were made

And you became Husband and Wife

A cherished Father and husband

You'd be loving us all for the next half Century

Gone but not forgotten Dad

To us you will always be

Our kind and loving father

Who has left us with treasured memories.

Remembering you today Dad, your loving children Ken, Linda, Elaine and Anne Marie and grandchildren Richard, Kate, Ava and Jack and extended family



MEENAN (PAM)

8th Anniversary - 9th September

Those we love don't go away

They walk beside us every day

Unseen, unheard, but always near

Still loved, still missed and very dear.

Love always, John, Anna, Claire and family



Anam Cara would like to invite you to join an **online** Bereavement Information and Support Evening taking place 16th September at 7pm. This event will give you an opportunity to hear a bereavement professional talk about the difficult challenges and many milestones grieving a child of any age has on you and your family.

If you would like to join us please register here <https://bit.ly/3Dzyphc> or contact us on info@anamcara.ie or 085 288 8888

Birthday Remembrance

GRIFFIN (JOHN - JOHNNY)

83rd Birthday - 12th September

Remembering you especially today on your Birthday and fifth year away from home...

Those we love don't go away

They walk beside us every day

Unseen, unheard, but always near

Still loved, still missed and very dear.

Lots of love always, Lil, Anne, Claire, Ed and John

John still loved and missed by your brothers Joe, Eddie and sister Nancy and all your nieces and nephews.

Lots of love especially from your grandchildren - Saoirse, Finn and Molly who miss their Grandad up in heaven xxx

Accord Marriage Care

Relationship and Marriage Counselling

"If you can't talk to one another talk to us"

Accord Marriage Care, Lucan
Phone 6010844



Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

Departs 13th October 2021

Dublin to Mostar, Mostar Airport is only 30 minutes from Medjugorje

7 nights: €695 pps (insurance included)

9 nights: €755 pps (insurance included)

Terms and conditions apply

Professional Guide – Spiritual Director

Tour Operator: Marian Pilgrimages – Fully

Bonded – Fully Licensed

Contact: Pat 087 2238911

Departing and returning tests required in absence of Covid passport. **Pilgrims must arrange and pay for those tests separately.**

A Covid test centre has been opened beside the First Aid Centre in Medjugorje to facilitate people needing a test before returning home.

For more information regarding Pilgrimages and Monthly Medjugorje Mass visit facebook page: Medjugorje Mass Lucan



Congratulations to all the students who received their Leaving Cert results – hopefully you'll all get to do what you want in life. Mind yourselves out there!



Liffey Descent – The Liffey Descent canoe races will go ahead this year, this Saturday, **11th September**. Not for the feint hearted, around 200 competitors will take on 32 kilometers, including 10 weirs along the route. Well worth bringing the kids down to the weir on the day, things should start happening in Lucan from 12.00 to 12.30pm. **REMEMBER SOCIAL DISTANCING if you go there!**

Some more wonderful wood sculptures up in St. Catherines these days – it's turning into a real magical place! Well done to Fingal CC



Sparrow Hawks – Many people are spotting these small raptor birds around their gardens these days. According to Birdwatch Ireland, they fly at speed snatching those little birds that might be resting in your hedgerow!

On the Sporting front

Sadly, our Dubs Ladies missed out on 5-in-row. On a lighter note, one of the Meath players, **Alison O'Sullivan**, is a teacher in Lucan Community College. We congratulate her and indeed the whole team on being All Ireland Champions.

What to make of the Boys in Green! They certainly are playing a much better game these days, so hopefully they will qualify for the next big tournament.

It's Mayo and Tyrone this Saturday! With a great number of Mayo people living in Lucan these days, most of us are probably leaning towards the red and green. Hopefully, it will be a good game. Best of luck to both teams.

Lucan Credit Union office, has closed its counter service in Lucan Village. The Finnstown office will be open to the public, while the online service will be managed from the village premises. It should make for a more efficient overall service.

Spotted Christmas in one of the local supermarkets – looks like it is passing out Halloween!

Saturday Pay Parking in Lucan Village! Is this still going ahead? Maybe some of our local representatives can let us know!

Soft Plastics in our Recycling Bins! Great that we can now recycle this material. It will make a big difference to our black bins.



Palmerstown Camera Club sent us this delightful image. Titled Watery Steps, it is by Andrew Duff.

See the Club's report on Page 14 of this issue.



SCHOOL NEWS



St. Joseph's College

St Joseph's College is seeking to recruit a **part time Home Economics teacher**. May suit a retired teacher or a person with relevant transferable skills and experience (such as chef, catering, Baking etc). Expressions of interest and CV should be emailed to the Principal at stjosephslucan@gmail.com

Congratulations to all of our **Leaving Certificate** students on their outstanding results this year! We are so proud of each and every student and also very pleased that the very difficult year experienced by Leaving Certificate students and their families has ended so well and we wish all of our students the best of luck with their plans for the future.

3 of our students received the maximum 625 points. This is an AMAZING achievement for all three students, who have been justly rewarded for all of their hard work over the years.



Well done to Niamh Doherty who achieved an amazing 8H1s! A tremendous achievement Niamh! Well done!!!

Also receiving the maximum 625 points, **Ali Dunne** and **Aoife Smullen**, both achieved **6 H1s!**



Ali Dunne, Aoife Smullen and Niamh Doherty all achieved the maximum 625 points.

8 of our students achieved over 600 points, a brilliant achievement! Aine O'Brien, Sarjina Khan, Lilly Worrall, Caoimhe Ware and Guste Venslovaite all achieved over 600 points!



Our students have been taking full advantage of the shade provided by our new **Outdoor Space** since the new term began. The giant shelters were installed last week. Our students are encouraged to go outside during the breaks and they love the new addition to our school grounds, which compliment all of the picnic benches which were provided by our **Parents' Association**. *Students enjoying our new Outdoor Space!*

Clothing Collection

Our Parents' Association has organised a Clothing Collection for Saturday 18th September between 9am and 1pm in the Layby carpark beside our school. They will be accepting clean clothing, footwear, belts and shoes. We thank you for supporting our Parents' Association fundraisers.

School website <https://stjosephslucan.com>

Follow us on Twitter: @STJosephs3

Coláiste Phádraig CBS

Exam news: Congratulations to all of our Leaving Cert students who finally received their exam results on Friday 3rd September, after what was an extended and anxious wait for all. Leaving Cert Results Day is usually a huge social occasion where students and teachers gather together in the school to open the envelopes and digest the grades achieved together. This year however, the students once again had to log into the results portal at 10am with their phones and laptops having largely been denied the opportunity to collect them in person from their school as is tradition, due to ongoing social distancing concerns primarily.



The class of 2021 endured enormous disruption to their education throughout 5th and 6th yr due to the extended school closures. The students had the option of sitting the written exam in each subject or opting for an accredited grade, with the majority going for a combination of both. The students were awarded the higher grade of the two after a national standardisation process was completed.

We would like to congratulate our students on their excellent results this year. The school management and teachers were very happy with the grades as there were a high number of H1s achieved in all subjects.

Five of our students (6% of the total cohort) achieved over 600 points with Alex Knowles achieving the Holy Grail of 625 points, which is the maximum number of points a student can attain (5H1s=500 points plus 125 points for a H1 in Maths). Only the best 6 subjects are counted for CAO points.

An additional 14 students (16%) got over 500 points while another 23 students (26%) got over 400 points.

This means that almost 50% of our LC students attained over 400 points which was very impressive.

The uptake of Higher Level in all subjects was in line with, and in many cases exceeded, the national averages. This reflects the sustained effort in recent years from Subject Departments to encourage as many students as possible to push themselves and stick at HL for longer.

For all the media talk of grade inflation this year (results nationally were 2.4% higher than last year) our students got grades that were more or less an accurate and true reflection of their capabilities. The students were carefully monitored by the school's "Targeted System" which involved each student setting specific targets in each subject at the start of the school year. This approach took the focus off the points race to some degree and encouraged students to set attainable and ambitious targets in their subjects in collaboration with their teachers. The

philosophy underpinning the Targeted System is that all students, regardless of ability, are capable of maximising their talents and fulfilling their potential, given the right support and guidance.

The students' exam results were tracked throughout the year and the students remained in constant contact with management, their Year Head Mr. Carey, Careers and Guidance Department Ms Hunt and Mr. Fox, as well as their classroom teachers, who all offered advice, encouragement and support whenever needed. This meant that we had extremely accurate academic records for all of our 6th yr students, so the good grades they attained were no surprise to the management and staff who held high expectations throughout.

Of course, it was not all about the high achievers on Results Day. A small number of our students, for health reasons, had to remain at home for the majority of the school year. These students availed of remote learning and they remained engaged, enthusiastic and committed throughout. These students all performed admirably in their exams and they deserve enormous credit for overcoming so many obstacles along the way to achieve their goals. The Learning Support Department are especially proud of the achievements of the students who they worked with over the years. Every student that availed of Learning Support passed their Leaving Cert in style this year. Their impressive grades were a true testament to the persistence, determination, resilience and application of each student.

Attention turned to the CAO offers on Tuesday when the 1st round of 3rd level College places were released. To compensate for the severe disruptions to their education, an additional 4,650 college places were created in high-demand courses such as veterinary, dentistry and health sciences, including medicine. 50% of the offers for honours degree (Level 8) courses were for applicants' first preference and almost four in five were for one of their top three preferences so this was great news for the students. The 2nd round of offers will be released on Monday 23 September.

To those students who will start 3rd level education in the coming weeks, we hope that they have the treasured in-person campus experience that was denied to last year's students. To those who will be exploring and pursuing other avenues, we too wish them well in their endeavours and assure them all of a warm welcome back in the CBS whenever they feel like taking a trip down memory lane!

Finally, a work of appreciation for the admin staff, subject teachers and management who took part in the arduous process of accredited grades back in May, which successfully ensured fairness and equity for all students.



Lucan Community College

Leaving Certificate Results: Congratulations to the class of 2021. We are very proud of all that you achieved. Four Leaving Certificate students - Faye Murphy, David Whyte, Cathal Gorman and Artjoms Proskovics - achieved 625 points, with 26% of our students achieving over 500 points and 58% achieving over 400 points.

Congratulations to Class Walton who achieved a record number of Distinctions in the Leaving Certificate Applied Exams. Out of 9 students who sat the Leaving Certificate Applied, an amazing 6 students received a distinction. They worked hard over a two-year period of continuous assessments. We are all so proud of their achievement and wish them every best wish as they move on to 3rd Level courses, training programmes and the world of work. We are very proud of all our students many of whom received results above expectations and we commend their teachers and parents for the wonderful support the students received during a very challenging year. We wish our graduates the best of luck as you engage in further education, training and employment in the coming years. You know where we are if you need our help and support in the weeks ahead!

3rd Year News: We welcomed back 3rd years on Wed 1st September for their induction and it was lovely to see everyone back in full uniform and ready for the start of the school year. The focus during induction was on settling back, being organized and establishing a good routine for the term ahead. Students were advised on the number of hours they should spend on homework and study weekly. Students were also reminded that it is best practice to have a hard copy of their textbook rather than just an e book for class.

Students would benefit from having a class buddy who they can contact for the work if they are absent. Students were also encouraged to ask for help if they need it. We are here to support them! We wish them all the very best of luck in their Junior Cycle year. The 3rd year team: G. Casey (3rd Year Head) and tutors M. Mulhern (O' Riordan), M. Gaffney and E. O'Gara (Greta), A. Byrne (Walsh), K. Mc Carthy (Collison), A. Mc Kelvey and G. Clifford, (Gonzalez), M. Cunningham and V. Conway (Malala).

3rd Year Sportstar! Congratulations to Aoibhe Fleming in class O'Riordan! Aoife has been selected for the Republic of Ireland's Women's under-17 squad. The team will travel to Portugal for games against the host nation on the 19th and 22nd of September. This is a fabulous achievement and we wish her well. For more details go to <https://www.fai.ie/ireland/news/wu17s-head-to-portugal-for-friendly-games>



1st Year News: Our 1st Year students are settling well into life in Lucan CC. They have successfully completed their first two full days - lots of new learning, navigation of the busy corridors, organisation for class, as well as making of new friends!

One of our students, Ruby Rose O'Hara (Class Dalkey), has been a very busy young lady! Not only has she started secondary school in Lucan CC, but she has also starred in a movie "Herself", (released Thursday 9th September in cinemas). Ruby Rose loves acting and is a member of Westside stage school. We look forward to watching her new movie and can't wait to see her in many more exciting projects.

Please enjoy watching the trailer for "Herself": <https://youtu.be/xwJ5IFxyc5c>

BT Young Scientist Exhibition 2022: The BT Young Scientist Exhibition will once again be held virtually in January 2022. This exhibition is the largest of its type in Europe. It offers a great opportunity for students to showcase their research and compete for top prize of a trophy, €7,500 prize money, and the opportunity to represent Ireland at the European Union Contest for Young Scientists (EUCYS).

Deadline for project entries is **27th September 2021**. Any student who would be interested in submitting a project should listen to announcements this week for details of meeting. Put your thinking caps on!

Further details on <https://btyoungscientist.com/>

Lucan CC flies the flag for positive mental health: Lucan CC was delighted to receive its Amber Flag this week. The hoisting of this flag is the culmination of the hard work of our Wellbeing team of staff students and parents assisted by our strong links with Jigsaw.

Pilot School for ETBI Patron's Framework: LucanCC has been selected as a pilot school for the roll-out of the ETBI Patron's Framework. This framework looks at how we can celebrate the ETB ethos and core values. Five Senior students and four Junior students took part in a video recording to launch the patron's framework. This recording will be shown to other ETB schools.

Students involved: Yasmin Aminou, Carla Millington, Diarmuid Keher, Phargavi Shyamsundar, Cian Tuohy and Seamus Mullan from Senior Cycle and Lily Crocker-Dunne, Leah Sisk, Bobby Laycock and Lillian Wykes from Junior Cycle.

The senior leadership and management team also welcomed Director of Schools Adrian Flynn and Ethos Coordinator Caroline Daly to LucanCC. They toured our school and spoke to students and staff about their experiences. LucanCC is proud to be a pilot school for the ETBI Patron's Framework.

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Lucan Community College *cont'd.*

LucanCC teacher helps Meath halt Dublin's run of consecutive wins!

Huge Congratulations to teacher **Alison O'Sullivan** who was part of the Meath squad who won the LIDL TG4 Ladies All Ireland Final against Dublin. Dublin were going for five in a row but Meath took the honours winning its first ever senior All Ireland crown.



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

Dear God,

Thank you for the gift of Education in every form.

As our children prepare to start a new year, may confidence be their foundation, may grace be their guide, and may hope be their compass toward a bright future.

I pray they would have eyes to see the needs of those around them, and a heart to love well.

May they face each day with positivity knowing that no matter what comes their way, they do not have to face it alone.

Amen

Lucan Women's Network

This programme is for women over 18 years wishing to explore their future options. Did you give up paid work to have children, become a homemaker or look after a family member? Are you considering going back to work and enhancing your work related skills?

We are looking for women who are **NOT in receipt of 'Job Seekers Allowance or Benefit'**, to participate (other Social Protection Payments are eligible including Lone Parent and Disability Benefit).

This is a FREE programme and is supported by the European Social Fund.

Start: Tuesday, 14th September, 10.00am to 1.00pm. Venue: TBC.

Yoga with Donna

This is a free 8 week programme starting at the *end of September*. A tranquil introduction to Yoga for Beginners. This gentle Hatha Yoga is deeply relaxing.

Community Craft Group

Join us for this new and creative learning course of Thursday mornings, learning new craft and skills. The course will be led by you, the participants, with the assistance of Audrey Wilson. This class will be in demand, so you must register your place.

Starts 16th September. Online for the moment.

Arts & Crafts

We are delighted to offer a 6 week Arts & Crafts programme with Christine Carey. Venue TBC.

Book Club – Online, 7 – 8pm.

Why not join our Book Club – always looking for new folk to join us. Each month the group selects a book to read, and holds a session to review the main points, and discuss issues which may arise, but mainly have a laugh!

Young Women's H.U.B.

Young women 20 and over, we have your back. Join us for 6 weeks of Art Therapy with Rowena, to enhance self-esteem and self-awareness, whilst building emotional resilience. We will be running this short course in **October**. For more information email: developworkerc.j@gmail.com

Workshop Events: Breast Cancer Awareness October 12th, Social Inclusion Week November 18th, 16 Days of Action, Christmas Celebration, Cultural Nights.

Get in touch to register for our Workshops:
Developworkerc.l@gmail.com

Whats App: 083 8607947

Palmerstown Camera Club

Palmerstown Camera Club kicked off its new season with a wonderful night of talks from our photographers of the year for the 2020/21 season.

Lorna Carney was the winner of the novice category and her image seen here titled Misty Morning was part of her presentation on the night. It also won the Packy Maguire Trophy for 2021. Andrew Duff won the intermediate category, his image of Watery Steps was one of the images he used during his presentation. And finally, Noleen Kavanagh won the advanced category for 2021. The three winners of the categories showed a wide variety of images and their journey through photography.



Our speaker next week is Rodney O’Callaghan a professional landscape & seascape photographer based in Cork. You can view his website on <https://www.rocphoto.ie/>.

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



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County Development Plan Public

Consultation: Deadline **15th September.**

Submissions can be made online (see link below) this is an opportunity to shape the way the county is designed and how communities are built. There are a few more stages to left in the process before the new development plan is adopted. See below an example of a new policy I had passed:
“facilitate the provision of an apiary colony within Lucan, Adamstown subject to appropriate location and design and regard to public amenity.”

<https://consult.sdublincoco.ie/en/consultation/draft-south-dublin-county-development-plan-2022-2028> You can check my Facebook page for more details.

New Electric Gate/kissing gate: are installed at Griffeen Park, this will be a huge benefit to park users. I will continue to work on more amenities in our parks.

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County Development Plan: Thanks to those who attended my two public webinars on the South Dublin County Development Plan and how to participate in the public consultation currently underway and which closes on 15 September. If you would like to receive a copy of the slides, please send me an email.

Ballyowen Lane District Clean-up: A number of people have expressed an interest in being involved, and we are now targeting the coming weeks to get started. If you would like to be involved, please contact me and I will share details with you.

Monthly newsletter: Every month, I send a community update setting out what I'm up to and providing information. You can have a look at the most recent one at <https://www.shanemoynihan.ie/your-community-update-august-2021/>. Please feel free to send me an email to add your name to the distribution list.



Cumann na Sáirseálaigh Leamhcáin



The Go-Ahead Dublin Senior Football

Championship gets underway on this Sunday, September 12th when Lucan take on St Judes at 2pm in O'Toole Park. At 11am on the same day the Intermediates also face St Judes at Tymon Park, while the Junior A's are away to Naomh Mearnog, and at 3pm, the B's are at home to Ballymun Kickhams and the D's are away to St Peregrines. Best of Luck to all

Senior hurlers enjoyed a comfortable win last weekend against Setanta in the opening round of the Dublin SHC. In the Senior Camogie Championship, the spoils were shared at Mobhi Road. Ladies Football Junior teams both recorded league wins last week. At Minor level in Football and Ladies Football, a mixed bag of results in the early stages of their championships. All results and match reports available on the website

Commiserations to the Abby Shiels and Paul Casey, player and back room for the Dublin Senior Ladies Football team, who lost out to Meath in last week's final,

GAA/LGFA/Camogie issued revised covid-19 guidelines during the past week. The Health Questionnaires should continue to be completed ahead of all training sessions and games and the Return to Play guidelines issued earlier in the year should continue to be adhered to. The Health Questionnaire was recently updated to reflect the additional symptoms associated with the Delta variant. It is important to note, that regardless of whether a player/participant is vaccinated or not, if they have any of the symptoms associated with Covid and detailed on the Health Questionnaire, they should not attend a training session or game.

As the evening are getting darker, please ensure that all sensible precautions are taken when attending games and training, do not walk alone through public parks, ensure children are collected promptly after sessions, cyclists, wear hi-vis clothing, etc.



There are a number of items of clothing: club tops, hoodies, etc., that were left behind after the recent summer camps. If you child is missing any of these items, please call up to the club and collect from the area outside the dressing rooms.

Jack Butler wishes to sincerely thank the very generous sponsors and supporters of his brilliant **Captain's Day in Luttrellstown** on Saturday 28th August. Special thanks goes to; Automatic Sprinkler Company, Dalton and Co Estate Agents, Courtney's and Smyth's Public Houses, Advalue Ltd, Tipperary Association in Dublin, Paddy Cunniffe Wood Turning, Keane Windows. 58 golfers tackled the splendid but very challenging layout. Congratulations to Stephen Murphy, Captains Prize winner on 41 pts.

A record turnout at the Academy last Saturday when over 280 boys and girls attended over the three hours.



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



place.

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

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

Notes continued over



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.

Foireann Iomána (A)

Bhí bua ag an gcéad fhoireann iománaíochta sa chéad chluiche craoibhe in aghaidh Naomh Sailbheastair maidin Dé Domhnaigh i bPáirc Naomh Chaitríona. Tar éis tús mall, fuair Niall McQuillan cúl roimh an chéad sos uisce. Chuir dhá chúl eile ó Cónán Glas agus Naoise Ó Lionáird, tar éis chomhimirt iontach idir roinnt imreoirí, bearna chúig cúlín idir na foirne ag leath ama. Le cúlín deasa ó Dhaithí De Buitléir agus le cúl ó Eoin Ó Maoláin sa dara leath, bhí Na Gaeil Óga ábalta bearna cúpla cúlín a choiméad idir na foirne go dtí an fheadóg dheireanach. D'imir Brian Moran agus Aidan Whelan an-mhaith agus bhí Seamas Hyland ar fheabhas mar chosantóir.



Foireann Iomána (B)

I gcluiche stairiúil trathnóna Dé Domhnaigh i bPáirc Naomh Chaitríona, bhí an dara fhoireann iománaíochta ó Na Gaeil Óga ag glacadh páirt sa chraobh den chéad uair riamh. Naomh Chaoimhín Chillian an fhreasúra a bhí acu. Tar éis taispeántas den scoth, bhí an bua ag na Gaeil Óga. Cian ó hÍrle le dhá chúl, agus Seán Quinn le roinnt cúlíní, an bheirt is mó a chláraigh na scóranna do Na Gaeil Óga agus fuair Ruadhán Ó Feinneadha agus Diarmuid Ó Ceallaigh cúl freisin. D'imir Conor Crowther, Cian Ó hÍrle agus Seán Ó hAodha an-mhaith do na Gaeil Óga.

Cluichí na Seachtaine

Foirne Fásta

Peil na mban v Oileán na hÉireann, Fionnghlas, 10 Meán Fómhair, 13:00

Peil na bhfear (A) v Innisfáil, Páirc Naomh Caitríona, 12 Meán Fómhair, 11:00

Peil na bhfear (B) v St James Gaels An Caislean, Iveagh Grounds, 12 Meán Fómhair 15:00



Faoi Aois

Buachaillí F12 – Peil v Gaeil Raghmallach, Cathal Brugha Barracks, 11 Meán Fómhair 12:15

Buachaillí F11 – Peil v Naomh Fionnbarra, Páirc Naomh Caitríona, 11 Meán Fómhair, 12:15

Buachaillí F9 – Peil v Cill Mochuda Na Crócaigh, Páirc Naomh Caitríona, 11 Meán Fómhair, 11:00

Buachaillí F8 – Peil v Réalt na hÉireann, Páirc Naomh Caitríona, 11 Meán Fómhair, 10:00

Cailíní F8 – Peil v Beann Eadair, Beann Eadair, 12 Meán Fómhair, 10:00

Cailíní F10 - Peil v Naomh Chaoimhín Chillian, Kilnamanagh, 11 Meán Fómhair 12:00

Cailíní F12 - Peil v Ciceam Baile Munna, Páirc Ciceam, 11 Meán Fómhair, 13:00

Buachaillí F13 – Iomáint v Naomh Chaoimhín Chillian, Kilnamanagh, 11 Meán Fómhair, 15:15

Lucan Sarsfields *con't.....*

Lucan Sarsfields GAA Club Lotto Jackpot €14,200

There was no winner of the Club Lotto Jackpot of €13,800 held on August 26, 2021. The numbers drawn were: **7, 19, 26, 27.**



The Lucky Dip winners of €30 each: Declan Lee, Sue Quinn, Ben Brogan, Noel Hickey, Teresa and Pat Quinn.

The Jackpot for the next draw, to be held on Thursday 9th September, is **€14,200**, and is sponsored by: **O'Grady Hearing Care Services**. The draw managed by Gerry McAndrew, will be held in the Club house, at 9pm and live streamed on our Facebook page. Tickets can be purchased via the website, ClubForce APP or at the following link:

<http://bit.ly/LucanSarsfieldsClubLotto>.

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

Climate Action Week

Dublin's first Climate Action Week will take place from 13th to 19th September. Working with all the Dublin Local Authorities, CARO and Codema, the event programme aims to demonstrate the ongoing efforts and ambitions of all the partners in addressing climate action.

A large selection of online and in-person events will demonstrate how local authorities are taking climate action and inform citizens what they can do to be more sustainable. There really is something for everyone.

Please visit www.dublinclimateactionweek.ie for the full programme. #DCAW21 #SDCCClimateAction

Dodsboro Football Team 1959



Back Row: John Flanagan, Joe Boy Harris, Billyboy Kane, Iggy Barr, Kevin Behan, Kevin Barr.
Front Row: Austin McLoughlin, John Harris, Noel Barr, Christy Kane, Macker McLoughlin.
Photo courtesy of Noel Barr.

Lucan Library Events

Online Junior Creative Writing Club

with Juliette Saumande

Ages 9 - 12

3 Week Course starting Wednesday 22nd September at 4.00 pm and running until Wednesday 6th October.

Online over Zoom

Booking from Tuesday 7th September.

<http://clondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.com/>

Online Kids Weaving Workshop

with Kim Jenkinson

Wednesday 22nd September at 3.30 pm

Ages 6 +

Join artist Kim Jenkinson for this weaving workshop, using all the colours of Autumn as our inspiration we will weave ribbons, paper and fabric strips together to create a beautiful wall hanging.

Online over Zoom

Booking from Tuesday 7th September

<http://clondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.com>

Starts 16th September. Online for the moment.

A Pre-Culture Night Talk. 'Verdi, Wagner and the politics of music'. 16th September at 7.30pm.

Join the ever-popular Ted Courtney for this zoom talk on Verdi and Wagner and set yourself up in culture mode for the day ahead. Both composers were born in 1813. Both men are poles apart when it comes to opera, but not so when it comes to money and politics. Ted will talk through their eventful lives and their superb music. Booking through Eventbrite. This is an online event.

Sustainable Energy Communities Information Seminar - Wednesday Sept 15, 6pm

Find out about sustainable energy solutions for homes, schools, businesses and communities at this free online workshop!

This workshop will explain how Sustainable Energy Communities (SEC) can help the citizens of South Dublin County identify sustainable energy solutions in our homes, schools, businesses, and communities. You can book your place here:

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/sustainable-energy-communities-information-seminar-tickets-166969711903>

St. Mary's Camera Soirée



Well, the weather in the first half at least of the week just ended was incredible. I find it hard to recall when it was possible to sit out in the garden having lunch in September.

The star of the show this week has to be Joe's photograph of the elusive Kingfisher. Another interesting nature photo that was submitted is that of the European Garden Spider. More than one member of the Soiree managed to capture this creature in its intricate web.

The creature, which I would not like to come across unexpectedly, was identified for us by Conor's grandson who also let me know that it is sometimes called the Pumpkin Spider and that it is an orb weaver spider found in Europe and North America – so there!



Apart from our kingfisher and spider Josie was in Greystones and submitted a nice panoramic shot of the bay. Others caught the last roses of summer and sunflowers which still attract the bees.



Donal sent us a photograph from somewhere in France where he is on holiday – lucky man!

Life continues to gradually return to the “new” normal with the prospect of virtually all restrictions being lifted on 22nd October, all going well. Against this background the group is hopeful that we may be able to get back to the bungalow and to mount an actual photographic exhibition in the Parish Centre before the end of the year. Fingers crossed!

Till next week stay safe!