

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY  
2025**



**Tipperary  
ETB**

Bord Oideachais & Oiliúna Thiobraid Árann  
Tipperary Education & Training Board



# NEWSLETTER

## COMERAGH COLLEGE



## Welcome

TY Journalism students have created this newsletter from January to March. Students have written articles and worked together as a team with the help of Ms. Eyre to produce this newsletter. Thank you to our designer Eugene for his hard work with the design of this terms newsletter. We hope you enjoy reading and we look forward to the upcoming issues that will be produced each term.

### Important Information

The portal for the application for the school bus service is now open for the 2025/2026 school term. Details can be found on [www.buseireann.ie](http://www.buseireann.ie)



## Seachtain Na Gaeilge

Bhíomar ag céiliúradh Seachtain na Gaeilge an tseachtain ar fad anseo i gColáiste an Chomaraigh! Bhí an iomarca imeachtaí déanta ag na daltaí agus na múinteoirí le linn na ranganna Gaeilge, am lóin agus na hábhair eile! Bhí an-chraic agus spraoi ag gach duine. Beannachtaí na Féile Pádraig a ghuí ar ghach duine!

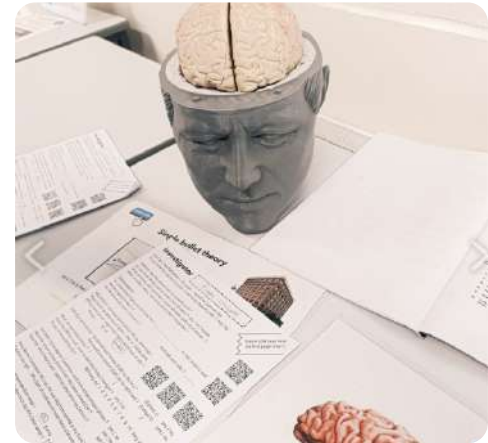
**WRITTEN BY TY JOURNALISM STUDENTS**

# TY HIGHLIGHTS

## JFK workshop

Written By: Anna Gleeson

On February 12th TY students got to take part in a JFK workshop where they discussed the details of John F. Kennedy's death and told us multiple theories surrounding it. The workshop was hosted by Allison, she had us do activities around the room. These were things such as stamp our fingerprints, watch VR footage of JFK's assassination and play a game that focused on the time period immediately after his death. Throughout the workshop, we used the information gathered from each activity on a sheet. It was a really interactive and good to know more about John F Kennedy's death.



## TY First Aid Workshop

Written By: Kevin Jones

Over the course of three weeks, the TY students participated in a First Aid workshop. During this time, they learned essential skills such as performing CPR, using an AED, and applying bandages and slings.

## TY Barbering/Hairdressing Workshop

Written By: Kevin Jones

Over 3 weeks the TY students got to have a Barbering/Hairdressing Workshop, during this they got to try various hairdressing techniques, cut and style hair too. It was a very good and practical workshop





# TY HIGHLIGHTS

## SID Ambassadors

Written By: Kevin Jones

On the 14th of January, both of our SID ambassadors travelled to Google HQ in Dublin for their third training day to help and share their Safer Internet Day campaign ideas. This campaign will launch on the 10th of February and run throughout the week for all 1st and 2nd-year students. During this time, they will visit 1st and 2nd-year classes to teach students about online safety, AI, and other important topics.



## ETB Cooking Competition

Written By: Kevin Jones

Two TY students, Eoin O'Reilly and Ciara Morrissey, along with their Home Economics teachers, Ms. Walpole and Ms. Doyle, attended Tipperary FET College in Archerstown, Thurles. Their main dish was a chorizo hash—a rustic potato dish with chorizo, onion, and spinach. For dessert, they made a delicious vanilla drip cake a moist vanilla sponge with smooth buttercream filling and drizzled chocolate.



## TY Driving Course

Written By: Kevin Jones

On January 29th, TY students began their driving course. They learned about the dangers of speeding, not wearing a seatbelt, and overloading cars. They also took a mock theory test, requiring a score of 35/40 to pass. After the test, students got the chance to drive—some for the first time, others with prior experience.



# TERM HIGHLIGHTS

## ETB Talent show

Written By: Anna Gleeson

On Thursday the 24th of February Comeragh College had two great acts at the ETB Talent Show. The ETB talent show for all Tipperary ETB schools to take part in and show off their schools talent, this year it took place in Coláiste Dún Iascaigh. The senior act, featuring over 20 TY students and performed an ABBA routine with a mix of their classic hits. The junior act performed by Sophie Mooney and Xhesika Sopiku, had a duet of "I Know Him So Well" from the musical Chess. Both acts showcased amazing talent representing Comeragh College.



## Lunchtime Leaders

Written By: Kevin Jones

Our SID Ambassadors and Digital Leaders have put together a lunchtime computer class that teaches students how to use Microsoft Office apps such as Word, PowerPoint, and Excel. The club is fun and interactive, using quizzes like Blooket and Kahoot. This approach helps students learn in a fun way, and winners of the quizzes receive prizes. Additionally, there is a raffle for Easter break! Every time a student attends, they are entered into the raffle for a chance to win an Easter egg. If a student wins, they get an extra entry into the raffle!

### Lunchtime LEADERS



**WHO IS THIS FOR ?**  
For 1st and 2nd year students.

**WHAT IS THIS FOR ?**  
This is for our SID Ambassadors campaign to help the younger students with working Microsoft.



**WHAT WILL YOU DO HERE?**  
During this time you will have time to get use to Microsoft 365 including shortcuts. Word, PowerPoint, etc also we will be doing games such as Kahoot, Blooket, typing games and more.



**WHEN/WHERE IS IT ?**  
This will happen every Monday at the Big Lunch, in room G-33, students can bring their lunch!



**RAFFLES**  
Every time you attend your name will be entered into a draw to win prizes.



**SWEETS**  
Everyone who places top 3 in the Blooket or Kahoot will be given a prize!



# TERM HIGHLIGHTS

## Enterprise Event

Written By: Scott Harte

On Friday the 7th of March, we held an enterprise event in the PE hall. Some examples of some of the items that were on show were Grip socks, Bake sale, 3D printed items, handmade gifts, waffles, bracelets and bows for your hair. All of the students that took part in this enterprise, all did very well and it was very successful.



# STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

## Past Pupil Achievement

Huge congratulations to Sean Heffernan who received the UCD Entrance Scholarship on as a result of his outstanding Leaving Certificate Results. The Award is given to the Leaving Certificate entrant with the highest points score from each school in the Republic of Ireland, provided the score is at least 500 points. Well done Sean!



# SPORTS NEWS

## Girls basketball

Written By: Anna Gleeson



The 1st and 2nd year girls' basketball recently played against Scoil Mhuire Greenhill. Although the 1st years unfortunately lost their match, they gave their best effort throughout the game. On the other hand the 2nd years came out with a win with a great lead and playing well. Both team played great.

## Munster D Basketball Final

Written By: Anna Gleeson



The U16 and U19 boys basketball teams made it to the Munster D final in Cork, which was a huge achievement for both teams. Although, unfortunately, both teams lost their matches in the final, they played exceptionally well throughout the game. Reaching the Munster final is an impressive accomplishment both teams should be incredibly proud of how far they made it in such a competitive league.

## Senior Soccer Success

Our Senior Soccer team have been very successful this season. They are now in a quarter final which they will play on March 20th against Blackwater Community College, Lismore. We wish them the very best of luck!





# SEACHTAIN NA GAEILGE

We have had a very busy Seachtain Na Gaeilge here in Coláiste an Chomaraigh. Various activities have been taken place in class to celebrate the event. 1st year students took part in a treasure hunt as Gaeilge agus music students were treated to a Sean-nós singing workshop which was a fantastic experience. Many more activities took place throughout the week. Thanks to the Gaeilge department for all their work to make the week so entertaining.

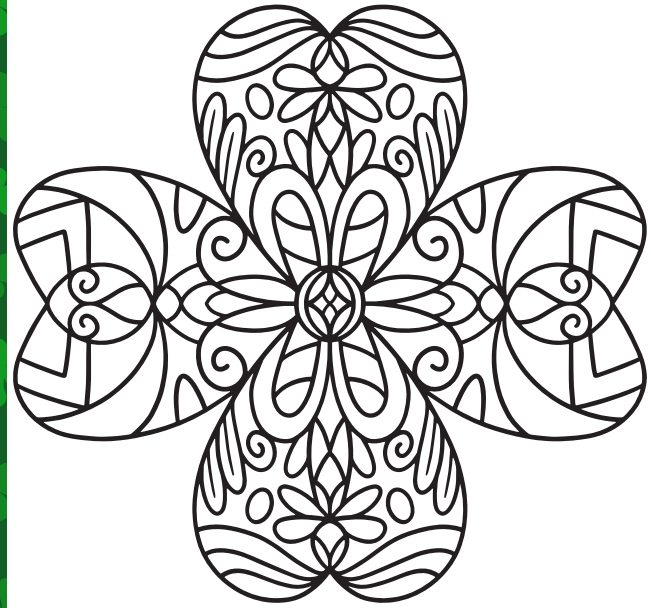


# FUN FACTS

Eugene Chelyakh

## Word Search

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N	L	N	E	A	S	A	P	T	P	I	R	POT OF GOLD
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L	E	S	I	A	R	R	T	A	D	Y	B	MARCH
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## Did you know...

"Lucky" four-leaf clovers are real—but rare.

## Interesting facts about St. Patrick's day

The first St. Patrick's Day parade took place in New York City in 1760s

How come? Many Irish emigrated to New York back in the 1760s and this parade featured Irish soldiers serving in the English army.

## What are other cultures celebrating now?

- **Ramadan** (March 10 – April 9, 2025) – A holy month of fasting, prayer, and reflection observed by Muslims worldwide.
- **Holi** (March 14-15, 2025) – The Hindu festival of colours, celebrating the arrival of spring, love, and the victory of good over evil.
- **Purim** (March 13-14, 2025) – A Jewish festival celebrating the survival of the Jewish people in ancient Persia, marked by feasting, costumes, and charity.
- **Songkran** (April 13-15, 2025) – The Thai New Year, famous for its massive water fights and cleansing rituals.

