



LORETO ABBEY SECONDARY SCHOOL

# DalkeyDiary

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## 5th Year Ecology Trip

Our 5th Years braved the wind and rain this week to complete their Geography Field Trip Study which is an essential component of their Leaving Certificate. Thank you to Ms Butler, Ms Scott, Ms Murray and Ms Farrelly.

## From Leeson Street to Dalkey

What better way to enhance interschool community spirit than to host an Ember event? This week our 5th Year faith leaders invited their counterparts from the Catholic University School, Leeson Street to join them for quizzes, tours, presentations and pizza. It was a wonderful opportunity to cultivate our Ember partnership with CUS and for our students to present the myriad of whole school community events that they have contributed to since the outset of their tenure in September. We wish both teams the best as they attend the Ember Graduation in DCU this month. Thank you to Mr Byrne.







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## THROWBACK THURSDAY



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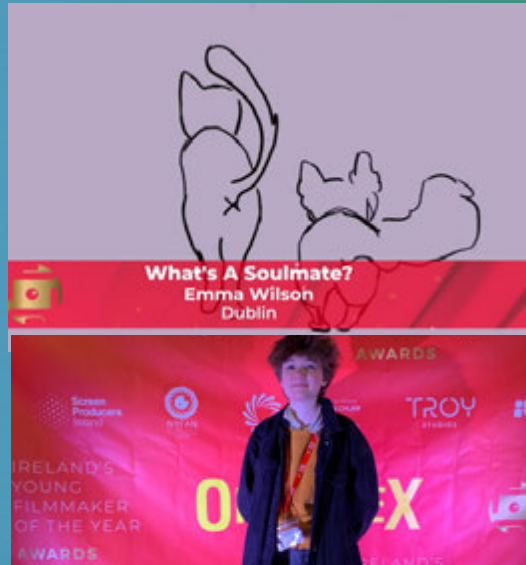
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## The Power of Reconnection

From as far away as Geneva, our past pupils travelled on Saturday for the Loreto Ladies' Annual Dinner in the Royal Marine Hotel, Dún Laoghaire. We were particularly delighted to celebrate the Class of 1994's 30th Reunion. Thank you to the Loreto Ladies' Annual Dinner Committee who organised a memorable evening of food and fun for our community of past pupils. Well done to our First Year and Senior Choir who, under Ms Penston's expert guidance, entertained our guests.

'Never forget where you've come here from' croons Gary Barlow in the inimitable '90's anthem. Inspired by Saturday's joyful reunion, there will now be a 'Throwback Thursday' reel available on Instagram, you never know, you might spot your gran, aunt or even yourself in this weekly reel!

## YOUNG FILMMAKER AWARDS



Well done to Emma Wilson who was nominated for Best Concept at RTE's National Young Filmmaker of the Year Awards. Our homegrown artist entered her animation 'What's a Soulmate' which aired at Dalkey's Got Talent in December 2023. We wish Emma the best of luck in her career in theatre and the arts.







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Two trolleys worth of food later and our prudent purchasers were ready to feed the army of TYs for 48 hours as they embarked on their Gaisce Hike this week. TYs also enjoyed a trip to GoQuest. As the year draws to a close, we look forward to welcoming parents of TYs to their graduation on Thursday 23rd May in the Killiney Castle Hotel at 5pm.

## Careers Fair

It is said that you should 'find out what you like doing best, and get someone to pay you for doing it'. Such sage advice was on offer this week at our Careers Fair when our TYs, 5th and 6th Years attended talks and visited the information stands of UCD, Trinity College, DCU, Maynooth University, TUD, University of Limerick, University of Galway, DBS, Griffith College, NCI, BIFE, Sallynoggin College and the Paramedics. Thank you to Ms Brophy and Ms Shortt who endeavour to leave no stone unturned on our students' path to a future career.







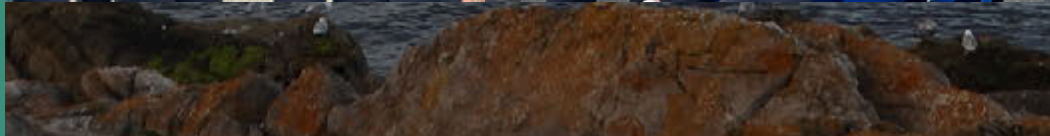
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## How High Can You Go?

With a 32 metre drop and a 90 degree turn, the Cú Chulainn Coaster in Emerald Park is a monster of a rollercoaster. However, our Second Years were undaunted by its dimensions and enjoyed it and the many other attractions in a day of fun and memory making. Thank you to Ms McBreen and Ms Ryan and all of the staff who made this wonderful trip possible.







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## Hockey History

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## Athletics

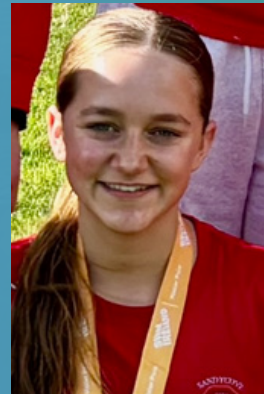
Well done to all of our athletes who competed in the East Leinster Athletics with some fantastic results:

- Roisin Murray: Inter 800m Gold
- Caitlin Bennett: Minor Shot Put Gold
- Mia Holland: Inter 3000m Silver
- Kate Holland: Under 16 Long Jump Silver
- Alexandra Doyle: Inter 200m Bronze
- Inter: 4 x 100m Relay Bronze: Roisin Murray, Aisling Lambe, Rebecca McEvoy, Alexandra Doyle
- Inter Shot: Rebecca McEvoy
- Junior High Jump: Fia Brennan
- Junior Pole Vault: Doireann Doyle Gold
- U16 Mile: Alexandra Doyle Gold
- Senior 1500m Steeplechase: Eleanor Foot
- Inter 300m: Roisin Murray Bronze
- Minor Hurdles: Katie Noone 4th
- Minor 500m: Lucy Hanly 4th
- Minor 1100m: Isabelle Greenan
- Inter 1500m: Hannah Walsh

A wise English teacher remarked on the sidelines that 'teachers don't bounce' and to be sure, there was some apprehension at the thoughts of playing against the athletic 6th Years. However, through sheer grit and determination, the teachers managed to become the victors, with a score of 4-3, albeit queried by the 6th Years at length. Never mind, the final verdict will be on Spirit Day when the 6th Years will have another bite of the cherry in the Staff versus 6th Years Rounders match.



## Tennis



Well done to Chloe Marshall who won silver in the U15s All Ireland Water Polo Cup

