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'Me in Place and the Place in Me'

A wise English teacher recently drew our attention to Seamus Heaney's poem 'A Herbal' in which the poet writes 'I had my existence. I was there. Me in place and the place in me.' This could also be true of our 6th Years who graduated in the past week in the knowledge that while their time by the sea has come to an end, there are new sights upon the horizon within their reach.

Similarly, our Transition Year students also reached a milestone with their recent graduation which marked the conclusion of a stimulating, evolutionary year for them. We wish both Year groups the best as they move onto greener pastures.



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A Celebration of the 2023/'24

While we bid farewell to the Class of 2024, on the horizon are our incoming Senior Student Leadership Team comprising of Mia Walsh as Head Girl, Faye Egan as Deputy Head Girl for Ethos, Clara Morrison as Deputy Head Girl for Junior Leaders, Ailbhe Cahill as Deputy Head Girl for Sports, Doireann O'Donnell as Deputy Head Girl for Co & Extra Curricular Activities and Meadhb Le Roux as Sixth Year Prefect. Not only did we celebrate our incoming Student Leadership Team but we also acknowledged our student body for their achievements over the course of the year, some of which are featured here, with the rest of the photos appearing in the Year Book which will be distributed to students on their return in August 2024. We are delighted to announce that two new cups made their debut this year, The 5th Year Bernard O'Boyle Cup for English awarded to Emer Kearney and The Carol O'Hagan 5th Year Cup for German awarded to Jennifer O'Dwyer.





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An Island Pilgrimage

It rises majestically from across the sea every morning; its silhouette has left an indelible mark on many a mind over the course of careers, both academic and professional. However, how many of us have actually set foot on the island we admire from afar? Today, Ms Lundy led her band of merry pilgrims across the Sound to land on Dalkey Island. There, surrounded by birds' nests, goats and tranquility, 3C gathered their thoughts before embarking on their State Examinations next week. Thank you to Ms Lundy, Mr O'Boyle and Mr Flanagan for setting sail with our intrepid 3rd Years.

