

## Review of the week

### January 23rd – January 27th

#### Well being morning Rang Eoghan



Rang Eoghan were the last of the seven 2<sup>nd</sup> year classes to attend their wellbeing morning, where they participated in a brisk walk to St. Joseph's church Glanmire. Following time of prayer and reflection in the church the students enjoyed healthy snacks and explored ways in which we can look after our wellbeing both physical and mental.



#### Girls basketball

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year girls basketball season kicked off last week with games against Scoil Mhuire, Cork and Colaiste an Phiarsaigh. The first year team have had a great start with 2 wins from 2. While the second years took victory against Scoil Mhuire. Their next outing will be away to Colaiste Mhuire Cobh on the 9<sup>th</sup> of Feb. Well done to all players involved who represented the school to the highest standards.



1<sup>st</sup> year girls basketball team



2<sup>nd</sup> year girls basketball team

## School musical

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> and Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January



### Beauty and the Beast 2023



Practice for the TY musical 'Beauty and the Beast' began way back in November where staff members Mrs. Nicola Swanton, Ms. Jill Manning, Ms. Lorraine O Sullivan, Ms. Orla Daly, and Ms. Katie Horgan worked with 85 TY students in GCC. The TYs put on a magnificent show for two nights last week. Thursday the 26<sup>th</sup> and Friday the 27<sup>th</sup> of January. The TYs also put on a huge performance for the first years of GCC on Wednesday the 25<sup>th</sup> during school time which was also a huge success. From the backstage crew to the main cast and dancers, the hard work, dedication, and maturity displayed by the students over the past few months must be commended and it goes without saying that they were a credit to the school and to their families. Of course, the show could not have been possible without the co-operation of the staff of GCC, caretakers and senior management. We would also like to extend our thanks to Pat and his crew (sound, lighting and music) who worked with such patience and helped put together a spectacular and professional performance.

### BT Young Scientist Exhibition 2023

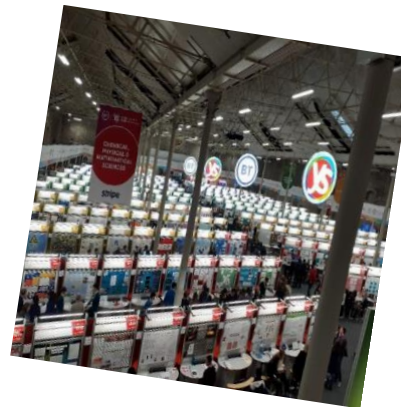
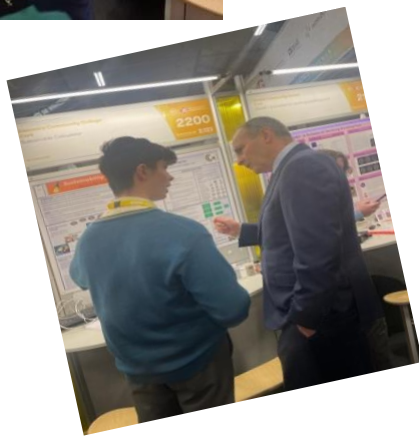


In early January two Transition Year Glanmire Community College students Robert O'Halloran and Toby Tangney took part in the Young Scientist Exhibition at the RDS in Dublin, accompanied by their teachers Noreen Emerson and William Horgan. Robert's project is titled **"An investigation into attitudes and awareness towards pain-medication in 15-19 year olds"** and in this Robert undertook a detailed statistical analysis into prevailing attitudes amongst 15 to 19 year olds towards pain medication as future consumers, in light of the depth of the American opioid crisis. Toby's project is titled **"Sustainable Calculator"** and in this Toby designed and programmed a working barcode scanning app that scores products on their "sustainable impacts" to help



consumers make better informed choices when buying products. Both students received three visits from the judges and on Friday evening Robert received a highly commended result for his project which is a great result as there was an extremely high standard of project on display.

The exhibition began with an opening ceremony on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January in which the students were addressed by the President of Ireland Michael D Higgins. Throughout the week there was a large presence of National Media and a constant footfall of



invited guests including many TD's, the Taoiseach Leo Varadkar and Tánaiste Micheál Martin who visited the stands of both GCC students. This highlights the high profile of this exhibition. Approximately 40,000 people were expected to visit the RDS over the three days of the exhibition.

Both students found the Young Scientist to be a great experience in which they have learned life long skills both in undertaking their project, preparing for the exhibition and in communicating their results to the judges and the general public. The exhibition was a thoroughly enjoyable experience including the evening entertainment which took place in the RDS for students.

We at Glanmire Community College are extremely proud of the high calibre projects entered by both Robert and Toby in this highly prominent national competition.



Further Information on Projects including a 3 minute video submitted by the students as part of the project can be found at the following link:

Robert

O'Halloran: [https://portal.btyoungscientist.com/projects/?sf\\_s=4584&sort\\_order=sfm\\_stand\\_number+asc+num](https://portal.btyoungscientist.com/projects/?sf_s=4584&sort_order=sfm_stand_number+asc+num)

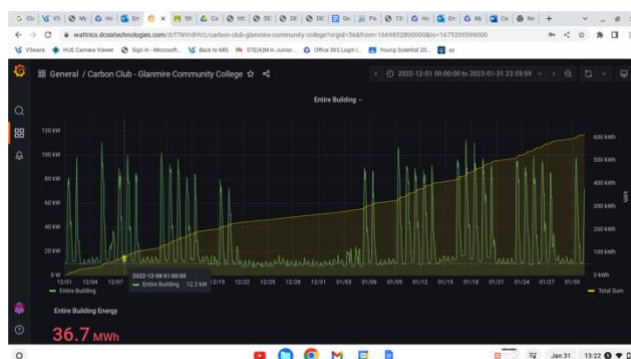
Toby

Tangney: [https://portal.btyoungscientist.com/projects/?sf\\_s=2200&sort\\_order=sfm\\_stand\\_number+asc+num](https://portal.btyoungscientist.com/projects/?sf_s=2200&sort_order=sfm_stand_number+asc+num)

For any students considering entering a project for the 2024 exhibition please see the BT Young Scientist website:

<https://btyoungscientist.com/>

## **Carbon Club**



Transition Year Green Schools students have continued to work on saving energy as part of the Carbon Club this January. In this we continuously monitor and check for the turning off of electrical items when not in use at the end of the school day. We are also looking at the school's usage of energy and try to identify items that are using electricity. Through our efforts we have managed to reduce the schools electricity usage overnight from approximately 12 kWh to approximately 9 kWh.

We are also running a poster competition for First Year students with some great prizes available. The aim of this poster competition is to increase awareness of the Carbon Club and the usage of electricity in the school.

The GCC Carbon Club team have a twitter page in which we will post updates at: @CarbonGcc

## **Munster Colleges Senior D Camogie Final**



On Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> January, our senior camogie team travelled to Kilmacthomas GAA Club in Waterford to play in the Munster Colleges Senior D Camogie Final. The first half started off strong with just four points between the two teams. After a well fought battle in the second half, St. Declan's Kilmacthomas proved to be the stronger team on the day, winning on a score line of 3-08 to 0-10. Although it was not our day, our girls never gave up until the final whistle. They have performed well all year and hopefully there will be many more Munster finals to come.

## **First year well-being mornings**



The first years enjoyed their well-being mornings this week, they began with a brisk walk noticing the beautiful buds on the trees and daffodils about to open as we walked to Saint Joseph's church. A time of prayer, quietness and reflection for the students followed by a healthy snack in the Parish Centre.

A visit to the library where the students explored books, comics, newspaper's and learnt about the APP 'BorrowBox' where students can read ebooks and listen to audiobooks all free of charge.

Students considered aspects of well-being that they themselves can incorporate into their own lives. Thank you to all the accompanying teachers and staff.

