

GCC Black History Week



GCC Black History Week was held by the Misneach committee between Tuesday the 9th and Friday the 12th of April. The aim of this week was to celebrate and educate the students on the culture and history of the black community. For each day we focused on a different aspect of Black culture and history and held a number of events corresponding to the theme of each day.

The theme for Tuesday was the influence of the Black community on music. To celebrate this, we played music by black artists at junior and senior lunch. The music played included a variety of genres ranging from afrobeats to jazz. We also presented a powerpoint to first year classes which highlighted different genres pioneered by influential Black artists.



On Wednesday, our theme was sport. We held a presentation for first years discussing famous black sports figures. Along with this, the first years took part in a quiz to test their knowledge. They were very enthusiastic to take part.



Our theme for Thursday was traditional African dishes. A presentation was shown to Ms. McCarthy's first year home economics class. They also sampled jellof rice which was enjoyed thoroughly.

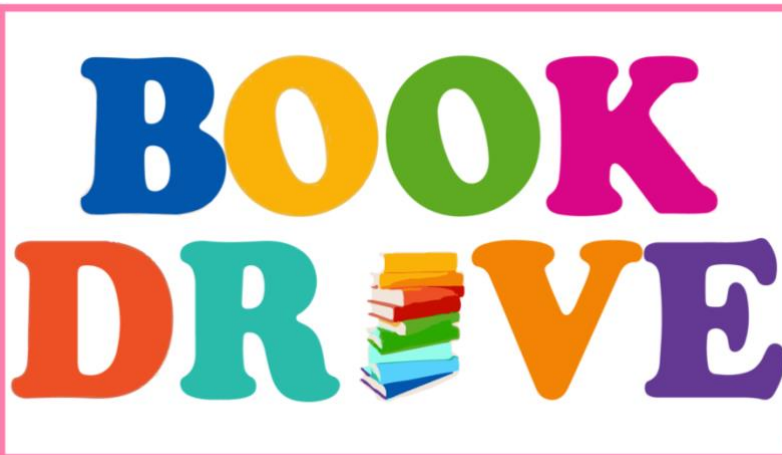
On Friday the theme was fashion and cultural clothing. To celebrate this, we held a fashion show for first years. We had students bring in and model different clothing from various parts of Africa. We had presenters informing the students on what was worn.

We would like to acknowledge the members of the misneach committee and all other students and teachers who put effort into making this a successful

week. We would also like to give a special thanks to Ms. Ryan and Ms. Hyland who co-ordinated the events that took place throughout the week.

-Anna Lee, Sarah Nally, Nikola Mis (2nd Year)

GCC Book Drive & Book Reviews - Well Read Initiative



GCC is thrilled to announce our book drive aimed at enriching our school's reading spaces and igniting a passion for literature among our students. We kindly request your donations of books! Donation boxes are conveniently located outside the school office

and at Supervalu. A heartfelt thank you to all who have generously supported this endeavour!

Additionally, we are in search of parents to contribute book reviews for our parent's update. Your unique insights and perspectives will play a vital role in enhancing our community's engagement with literature. If interested, please reach out to Aishling Ryan at glanmirecc@corketb.ie

GCC Prodigies head to Dublin!!!



Two promising 5th Year Students, Nathan Manley and Toby Tangney are highly experienced in programming, engineering and problem solving. After competing in numerous STEM programs and personal projects, their efforts have been

recognized with their acceptance to the competitive Patch 2024 cohort in Dublin this July.

Patch is a 7 week summer accelerator for ambitious future leaders funded by known companies such as Stripe and OpenAI.

Backed by experienced mentors from a variety of expertise, the selected attendees work to develop an idea from concept stages all the way to a completed start-up.

Toby and Nathan will gain valuable skills such as leadership, entrepreneurial mindset and will learn from other members and alumni.

U16 Boys Soccer narrowly lose out on a place in the final



Hard luck to our U16 soccer team who were unlucky to loose to Christians today after extra time, in the semi final of the Cork Cup. In a thrilling game, Christians scored two goals in the last minute of normal time to bring thr game into extra time. Christians eventually ran out 4-3 winners. Well done to CBC for winning a very entertaining game and the best of luck in the final. We look forward to welcoming Coláiste an Phiarsaigh in the U17 Cork Cup on Monday 22nd April.

Senior Ladies Football team suffer narrow defeat



Hard luck to our senior ladies football team who were narrowly beaten on Friday 12th in the county semi final. This brings the footballing year to a close for the girls. Well done to all involved on a great year and a special thanks to ladies football coaches Ms. Nagle, Ms. Twomey and Ms. S O' Sullivan.



Two more powerballs sponsor GCC soccer teams

Thank you very much to past pupil Paul Twohig and Jen Morley of @twomorepowerballs for kindly sponsoring our school soccer team with a new set of jerseys. The Twohig family have been very generous in supporting soccer in the school since it first started. Their support is really appreciated.

STEAM at Glanmire Community College

STEAM education relates to the study of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Maths. As part of our STEAM education in Glanmire Community College we recently undertook a TY STEAM Project and also a STEAM exhibition day to highlight STEAM projects undertaken in the school this year.

TY STEAM Project

The TY STEAM project involves TY students from Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Maths working together on a whole design team style project. This year to coincide with green schools and our water flag application students were briefed to design a sustainable ecofriendly garden area in the school that promoted sustainability and the resource of the river next to the school. In addition, it included the design of solar panels to roof of school and the promotion of this form of energy.

There were five teams: Art, Biology, Physics, Maths and Technology. Each team was made from a small group of 4-6 students and worked on a section of the project for a week. The Art team and Biology team first worked to create a design in the area provided with suitable flowers and plant life. The design created by both these teams was given to the Maths and Physics teams. They worked together to create an overall plan with dimensions for the outdoor space and accommodating the plans created by the art team. The Maths team also designed solar panels on the roof of the C-block building including how much they would cost to build. The Technology team took the plans made by the other teams and created working drawing and CAD designs. They then made a scaled down model of the outdoor area.



The project culminated in a presentation by all the different teams showing their aspect of the project and how they worked together with the other

teams. It was a big success and many students were enthusiastic about the idea of creating this space

-Contributed by Patrick Bennett Wright & Kieran Quirke.

STEAM Exhibition Day

On Thursday 11th April, GCC held its STEAM exhibition day in the multi purpose room. Students from first and second year visited during class time with third to sixth years visiting during their lunch breaks. This gave all students the opportunity to see projects undertaken by GCC students in the school across the STEAM area of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Maths this year. Exhibitors at GCC STEAM Day 2024 included students from the following areas:

- VEX Robotics Team
- BT Young Scientist Exhibitors
- Young Environmentalists
- Food Waste
- Water Ambassadors
- CanSat
- 3D Printing
- TY STEAM Project
- Walk for Water
- Green Schools Team
- Architecture in School

The day was a great success and it was impressive to see the great project work undertaken by our students over the last year in the one place.



GCC & Riverstown National School paired reading initiative



As part of GCC's Well Read initiative to boost reading, Transition Year students finished their visits with Riverstown National School this week. During their visits, 50 TY students spent an hour reading with fifth class students. Fifth class

students choose a book to read, then shared their thoughts on the characters and plot with their paired TY student. It was a win-win for all of us, and students had a great time reading together for the past few weeks.