



CASTLEKNOCK COLLEGE

Weekly Bulletin from the Headmaster, Mr Oliver Murphy, to the parents of St Vincent's Castleknock College

Friday 21 June 2013

Fundraising

We have now collected just under **€125,000** in our fundraising campaign for the new floodlit, all-weather rugby practice pitch. We need less than €25,000 more. If every family who has not contributed sent in **just €75** we would meet our target before the end of the month – so keep the donations coming and we'll get the job done. A form for donations is attached below. **Please return the form that was sent out to you, even if you are unable to make a contribution at this time.** Thanks to all of you who have already sent in forms. You have all been extremely generous at a time when money is tight.

Academic News

- The Junior Cert finished with Music on Thursday. The 3rd Year students handled the pressures and demands of the last few weeks with aplomb; they were calm, well-organised, well-prepared and very well behaved: the external supervisors were extremely complimentary about them.
- The Leaving Cert exams finished today, Friday, with Religion, Japanese and Applied Maths. The 6th Year students have been very happy, for the most part, with their exams. They took the challenges of the last few weeks in their stride. Congratulations to them. We wish them all an enjoyable rest before they embark on the next phase of their lives.

Vincentian News

- It was with great sadness that we heard of the deaths of two pastmen: Brian Rossiter (2012) who died last Sunday and Rory Doherty (1999) who died following an accident at work. Death is always hard to accept, but when those who die are so young, it is even harder to accept. The solidarity and support from our past and present pupils (as well as their relations and friends) to the bereaved families was extraordinary. Both families are very grateful. They are in our thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.
- Attached below is a link to some advice for families who are finding it hard to cope with bereavement. This week, our chaplaincy team, our guidance team and NEPS (the National Education Psychological Service) have been working together to support our students, present and past. Parents may find it useful to read the advice which has been passed on to us from NEPS. Please contact the school if further help is needed.
http://www.education.ie/en/Schools-Colleges/Services/Educational-Psychologist-NEPS-/neps_critical_incidents_resource_material_schools.pdf
- The six students who are going to Ambo this Monday with three teachers (Mr Mark Twohig, Mr Patrick Leonard & Mr Jack Hurley) have raised the funds to support the Leprosy Colony in Ambo, Ethiopia. Thanks to all who helped to make this happen. It will make a huge difference in the lives of those affected by this curable disease. They are bringing with them medical supplies, books and educational equipment for our sister school. We wish them all the best with the work.

Sports News

- We wish our first ever rowing team all the best in the All-Ireland finals at Ovens in Cork next Friday. They are competing in the College colours in individual and team events. Best of luck to Ross Thompson, Harry Thompson, Shane Mulvaney and Luke Newcombe.
- Rugby fixtures for the coming year are available on our website; please note they are always subject to change.
<http://www.castleknockcollege.ie/rugby.html>

Parent News

- Our blazer sale took pace yesterday raising almost €3,000 for the Ambo fundraising. This was a record amount raised by the sale! There are still a number of small sized blazers still available; you can contact reception for more details.
- The Sports Gear Order Form is available to download from the website at the following link. (Please ignore the date within the URL address - the link is correct for the 2013 Order Form.)
<http://www.castleknockcollege.ie/2010-2011/uniform-requirements.html>
- Any parent interested in hosting a foreign student as paying guests for the month of July please contact Hugh McDonnell on 087-63064678.
- Full details and brochures for our summer camps are available at reception.
- **Lost and Found** - If you have mislaid an item of school uniform please check the notice board for the **Lost and found sheet** in the Foyer. If your name does not appear on the **Lost and Found sheet** walk around the school and look for your lost item. If an item is not claimed from Lost and Found sheet, or a mislaid item is found on the floor of the school after the June Bank Holiday your parents will be notified by a letter and you will be asked to donate €5 to St. Vincent de Paul to retrieve same.
- **2012 – 2013 Castleknock College photos** are now available to order online at schoolpix.ie (Password is **knock175**) or through the college reception using this form. Colour prints 10x8 are mounted in Navy Strut Mounts and the larger 16x86th and 1st year photos are mounted in custom made folders with the College Crest embossed in gold. All photos are captioned with names. All photos are delivered to reception for collection.



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2013/2014

Headmaster
Castleknock College
Dublin 15

I would like to support Castleknock College's All Weather Rugby Training Pitch Fundraising Campaign as indicated below.

Please place a tick in one of the boxes below.

Amount	In a lump sum by cash or cheque	In monthly payments
€300		
€500		
€1,000		
Other amount		

Although I support Castleknock College's Sports Fundraising Project, I regret that it is not convenient for me to make a gift at this time.

Name (Please print): _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

As Castleknock College is a registered charity the tax benefit from a gift donated by a PAYE tax payer is passed on to the College, significantly increasing the value of the gift. In the case of a self-assessed individual the tax benefit is passed on to the donor. In order to assist our financial planning, please indicate whether you will be making your donation as a self-assessed person or as a PAYE tax payer, by ticking the appropriate box below. (Please note that where you are in receipt of both PAYE and Self-Assessed income you must tick the self-assessed box).

PAYE

Self-Assessed



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STANDING ORDER INSTRUCTION TO THE BANK

To:

The Manager

I / we hereby authorise and request you to debit the account of:

Name / Account Title (Block Capitals)

Branch Sort Code:

Account number:

In the sum of: €

In words:

Frequency: (Please tick): Monthly

Start Date: Finish Date:

and to credit the account of:

**Castleknock College Development Fund,
AIB, 140 Lr. Drumcondra Road, Dublin 9**

Sort Code: 93-021-08 Account Number: 09510129

Deductions to commence on: Start date:

Deductions to continue until: Completion date:

(Please allow 5 working days notice prior to the date of the first payment. It shall be understood that the bank shall not be under any liability for damage or loss caused by any omission to make these payments)

Name: (Please Print)

Signature: Date:

College Reference: