

Ramsgrange Community School Newsletter 2015/2016



SciFest – Technology Winners

Kettle Kozy is a project which was made by TY Students and was entered into SciFest in April this year. The idea behind this project was to reduce the amount of energy used when re-boiling a kettle. We made a cover or 'kozy' for a kettle from wetsuit material with a section containing a chemical mixture which retains and conducts heat back into the kettle through a metal sheet. The kettle kozy keeps the water hotter for longer therefore reducing the need to re-boil the kettle. We got our inspiration from our love of tea! and the realisation of how often we re-boil the kettle. We showcased our project in SciFest on the 27th April and were interviewed by four separate judges and won the best technology award sponsored by Intel Ireland!

SciFest is a series of one-day science fairs for second-level students hosted locally in schools and regional level in third level colleges. The SciFest project consists of four distinct strands – local, regional, national and international. The aim of the project is to encourage a love of science, technology and maths through active, collaborative, inquiry-based learning and to provide a forum for students at local, regional and national level to present and display their scientific investigations.

Thank you to Ms. McDonnell



Well done and a huge congrats to Matthew McCillen, Sarah Jane Miskella & Joshua Webster who qualified and represented RCS for the Junior Irish Maths Competition.

Congrats to our U16 Boy Basketballers who won the Wexford Schools Cup for the 1st time for the School!

Well done boys and Mr. Reynolds!



Now seeking nominations for the Parents Association coming up to our 40th Anniversary Celebrations! See website.

Well done to our students of the Year!

1st year student of the year: Caleb Cullen

2nd year student of the year: Evelyn Stebbing

3rd year student of the year: Sam Elliot

LCA1 student of the year: Laura Lee O' Sullivan

TY student of the Year: Tayna Murphy

5th year student of the year: Siobhán McGrath

6th year/ LCA2 student of the year: Conor O' Sullivan

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3 Costumes make Junk Kouture Finals in The Helix

RCS had the second highest amount of finalists in Wexford which is fantastic! The students were chuffed!

Here are the outfit names and the groups:

Royal Tea: Saidbh Russell, Tanya Murphy and Emma Behan.

Spartan Reborn: Patrick O Regan, David Nolan and Sean Mowatt.

The Bottle Cap Man: Ryan Egan, Aaron Burke and Dylan Hodman.

Junk Kouture is a national contest which encourages young designers in second level education to create striking couture designs and impressive works of wearable art from everyday junk that would normally find its way into the bin. Junk Kouture aims to inspire and ignite passion in these teenagers while at the same time subtly educating them about the importance of recycling and reusing waste. Over the last five years, Junk Kouture has established itself as the premier recycled fashion competition for teenagers throughout Ireland and Northern Ireland, Well done Ms. Buttle



RCS Enterprise Winning tradition continues!



Wednesday April 6th was the regional finals of the Local Enterprise Student Awards in Clayton White's Hotel in Wexford. It was a hugely successful night for RCS. Overall winner junior category :- Blossom by Cara & Mira Power and Antonia Rochoviak Third place junior category :- Sea Light by Anna mai Drohan. Runner up Intermediate category:- Sparkle by Lisa Tobin who represented the school last year in Croke

Park in the All Ireland Finals. There is a very strong tradition

of enterprise in the school and this was acknowledged last night when our Business Teacher Ms. L. Walsh was awarded the Entrepreneurial Educator of the Year Award 2016. Tri Jump the Brain Child of Aran Murohy and Emma Behan won 2nd place (Marketing section) in the National PDST finals. The school is very proud of the hard work and dedication students



Awards Day in RCS

On Monday 23rd May the students of Ramsgrange Community School, together with parents and staff, celebrated their

fantastic achievements over the academic year 2015/2016. The school gymnasium was packed to capacity with eager students and parents awaiting nominations and possible victory in the 70 awards categories being recognised by the staff and management of the school. We were thrilled to welcome past pupil and GAA star PJ Banville who returned for the afternoon to present the awards. Also joining us were the "High Hopes and Peace Choir" from Waterford, who filled the gymnasium with beautiful song and strong messages about homelessness, drug addiction and the importance of education and making informed decisions in our lives.



Well done to our 2016/17 Prefects on your new and very important role in RCS!!