

CASTLE CHRONICLE EASTER 2021



Easter approaches. Thoughts of resurrection, re-birth, new life! Very appropriate messages of hope for the times we are experiencing. Temperatures rising, cherry blossoms are blooming and the path ahead looks brighter. Our boys continue to live as a community, working well academically making the Castle a very happy place over the past 3 weeks.

While living on campus the daily routine of classes and activity has engaged the boys. 6th Years returned first to class, followed 2 weeks later by 5th Years. A group of 1st – 4th Years continue with online teaching. Their resilience is remarkable. 6th Years are now doing their Easter exams and, while there is a degree of stress, they are coping admirably.

Congratulations to Javier Lopez and Bruno Gaju, winners of the Cube competition and also to John Cawley with Ben Harvey, winners of the Talent Show. On St. Patrick's Day we had a brave group of swimmers facing their first sea swim of the year in chilly Seapoint. The Junior boys helped Aisling plant some St. William and other flowering plants to brighten up the front of the Castle.

We have been planning for the Easter holiday break. A group of boys will remain with us, while others will travel home returning on April 11th, when all year groups will be in school. One of the lessons from this pandemic has been the value of the teacher in the classroom, supported by the technology available. We thank our Housemasters for their dedication and hard work engaging and entertaining the boys over this period and we especially congratulate Mr. Joe Halpin on his recent engagement.

As Pope John Paul II wrote "Do not abandon yourself to despair. We are an Easter people and Hallelujah is our song".

Mr MacDermott – Director of Boarding

GYM PHOTOS



William working hard!!



Jamie braces!!



Niels happy to be in the gym!!



Mark lifts big!!!



Seamus strikes a pose!!



William sizes up last rep!!

DAY TRIP TO SEA POINT

