



Ursuline College Sligo



NEWS BULLETIN – 16/04/2021

Key updates and information for parents/guardians, staff & students



Welcome Back Students!
We are so glad you are here!

UCS are delighted to welcome back all of our students and staff to physical classroom teaching and learning.

The school has been a very different place without full student numbers. It was just lovely to have the hustle and bustle of students back in our halls and classrooms, and to imagine your smiling faces behind those masks! We missed the energy and excitement that you bring to school each day. We want to assure everyone that we have prepared the school for your safe return and are observing all Public Health Guidelines to ensure everyone's safety.

We look forward with positivity and hope to this term and wish you all a happy return to school.



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6th year Oral & Practical Exams

Irish & Modern Foreign Language Oral Interviews, along with Music Practical Exams were completed over the Easter Holidays. Well done to all those 6th year students who completed these exams. Well done on your hard work, preparation and focus. We hope you all had a good rest and time to relax over the break. Congratulations!



New Building and Upgrading of Facilities



Please complete the **Traffic Mobility Survey** sent to everyone's email this week. This is

part of the preparation for the Planning Application for the **New Build and Upgrading of Facilities** in Ursuline College. This application will soon be lodged with Sligo County Council. We're delighted with this and look forward to ongoing progress of this development



The Student Enterprise Programme is an initiative run by the Network of Local Enterprise Offices. It is Ireland's largest and most successful student enterprise programme with over 26,000 second level students taking part each year.

Students get to set up and run their own business and find out what it is really like to be an entrepreneur by taking part in this enterprise programme. Our Transition Students competed in the County Sligo Finals. There were some ingenious and original ideas on display. The following students were awarded prizes:

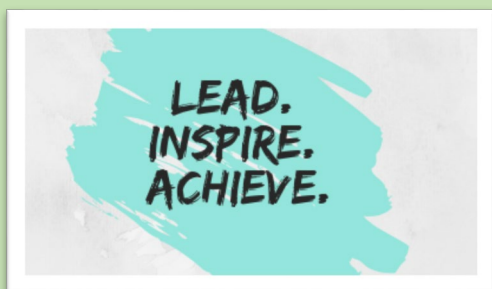
Anna Callaghan & Ann Clarke
won a **Special Merit Award** for their Company
"The Two Anna's"

Cianna Ruddy, Kate Moyles, Roseanne Kelly,
Rachael Cawley, Zoe Melvin
Won the **Design Award** for their project
"Glassify Your Spotify".

Niamh Ogier, Niamh McLaughlin, Aimee Rushe,
Ayesha Nazir, Chloe O'Beirne
Won the **Marketing Award** with their company
Cana Jewellery.

Huge congratulations to our very talented young entrepreneurs.....

#LadiesWhoLead #Unique



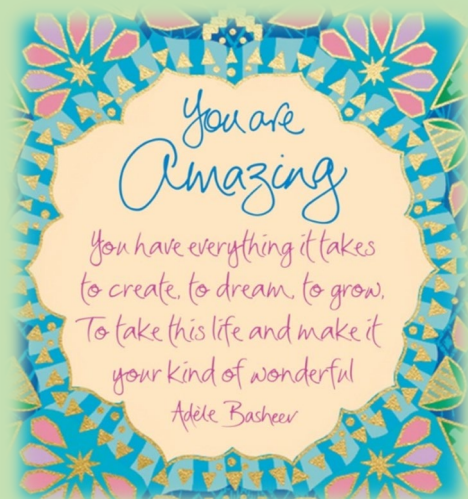
Huge congratulations to Aoife Devlin 6th year who represented the **European Commission Representation in Ireland** in the production of their new educational film

about Ireland and the European Union. This new 25 minute film is aimed at second level students and is designed to give them a greater understanding of how the EU works and the impact of EU membership on Ireland. The film, titled *"Me, You and the EU"*, will be launched online on Friday 7th May as part of our Europe Day series of events. Thank you to Aoife for representing her country and her school with enthusiasm and passion. Well done Aoife.

The school community offers deepest sympathy to staff member Martina Henry whose brother Micheal died recently. Our thoughts and prayers are very much with the Henry and Hogan families. May he rest in eternal peace. Suibhneas Síoraí dá anam.



Friday Feels
Always Remember



North West Derby

We look forward to a clash of the Footballing giants this weekend in The Showgrounds. Local heroes and our friends -Sligo Rovers- welcome the high flying Table Toppers Finn Harps. We wish both teams good luck and we can't wait to get back to our Saturday nights rituals and outdoor fun.

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Just a gentle reminder....

The School Transport Scheme supports transport to and from school for children who reside remote from their nearest school. The scheme is operated by Bus Éireann on behalf of the Department of Education. Applications for Primary or Post Primary School Transport Schemes must be made [online](#). The closing date for applications is the last Friday in April (30th) for the forthcoming School Year

Girls Active

A new Strava challenge has been created for first years, called "**Girls Active Couch to 5km**". Starting this coming Monday (April 19th), the programme will run until the end of the school year. All first years need to do is download the Strava App and join the Girls Active group on Teams. Get those runners on and have those phones charged! We will keep you all updated on their progress. Check out the Sligo Sports and Recreation page for lots more details and fun programmes that all the family can enjoy.

<https://www.sligosportandrecreation.ie/developing-sport/active-schools/girls-active/>



A poster for the Strava Girls Active Couch to 5km challenge. It features three running girls in silhouette against a pink background. The text includes 'STRAVA', 'GIRLS ACTIVE', 'COUCH TO 5KM', '6 Week Plan', 'Starting Monday 19th of April', 'Enjoy running at your own time, place and pace! Join our 'Girls Active Sligo' Strava club to take part. Weekly podcasts and training plans available.', and 'T-shirt for all participants'. At the bottom are logos for Sligo Sport & Recreation Partnership, Girls Active, HE, and Sport Ireland.