

# Sullivan Upper School Monthly Newsletter

## Dates for Diary - November 2017

Thursday 2 November	BMat Exam	9.00-12.00
Tuesday 7 November	Senior Maths Challenge	
Tuesday 7 November	Kids' Lit Quiz (pm)	
Wednesday 8-Thursday 9 November	Year 8 Parental Consultation with Form Teachers	From 1.30 pm
Saturday 11 November	1st AQE Assessment	10.00-11.00
Tuesday 14 November	Year 14 Practice Interview Skills Day	
Tuesday 14 November	Year 14 Interview Skills Practice Interviews	9.00-12.40 and from 6.00
Saturday 25 November	2nd AQE Assessment	10.00-11.00
Monday 27 November	School Examinations begin for Years 8-14	



### Year 10 WW1 Poetry Event

On Thursday 19 October a group of Year 10 pupils represented the school at a poignant event held at the Ulster Museum to commemorate the centenary of World War 1. The pupils presented poetry and song

based on The Great War and enjoyed a wonderful day hosted by a UK charity: "Never Such Innocence". The pupils were: Corin McCrea, Aimee McConnell, Emily Black, Lauren Gillard, Cory Dawson, Michael Johnston, Matthew Wilson and Oisín O'Sullivan, pictured here at the beautiful ceramic poppy display.



Year 14 Geographers enjoyed an afternoon on a field trip in the Titanic Quarter, Belfast. Pupils enjoyed lunch in The Dock Cafe and attended a talk by Chris Bennett and a tour of the area on The Wee Tram, with Mr Thom and Mrs Johnston. The focus of the afternoon was to see and hear first hand about the Change and Development of the Titanic Quarter as part of their Sustainable Settlements topic.



### Senior Netball Squad

The Senior Netball Squad played touring side Townsville Grammar. A tough encounter resulted in a 26-16 loss but the girls gained experience against a skilled and physical side.



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## Girls Hockey

The 1st XI beat Regent House (3-1), Down High School (4-1) and Ballymena Academy (1-0) to progress to the Super League 1/4 finals. A tough away draw to Ballyclare High School resulted in a 6-1 loss for the side.



(Right: 1st XI captain Laura McCaw with vice-captains, Janet Cunningham and Erin Camlin. Left: 1st XI Squad ).



2B's and 3rds have both started their group fixtures in the Gibson Cup. The 2B's have won their first fixture against Down High School (1-0) and the 3rds were unlucky to lose narrowly to Strathearn and Down High School (1-0 on both occasions against their A squads).

## DAWN TIL DUSK



Year 14 Geographers attended Dawn til Dusk. Evan Black, Emma Crane, Lucy Buller and Livvy Hill were four of the fifty Geography students from across Northern Ireland chosen to attend a 12 hour Geography field trip hosted by the School of Natural and Built Environment at QUB with Mrs Johnston on 12 October. The day started with breakfast at 7.32 am, followed by a series of field trips around Belfast focusing on Ethnic Diversity and the Sustainable Planning of Cities, ending with dinner and a quiz at 6.24 pm. A highly enjoyable and informative day.



## CHILDREN IN NEED



On Tuesday 24 October we were delighted to welcome Pudsey Bear to the Silver Robin for both Prep and Grammar

School pupils. The charity collection this week was for Children In Need.

Many thanks to Mrs Christine Seawright and all the staff in the Silver Robin for their hard work in organising the event.

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## Sullivan Fencers at the 2017 North West Open

The first home fencing competition of the year, the North West Open, was held on 21 October 2017 in the University of Ulster in Coleraine. Three senior SU fencers entered the women's foil event: Anna Vaughan, Cece MacMahon and



Cece, Anna and Izzy at the North West



Izzy takes bronze at the North West

Izzy MacMahon (although Anna had to withdraw at the last moment due to an achilles tendon injury).

After the pool stage of the competition, Izzy and Cece were seeded 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. The direct elimination stage followed, where Cece was knocked out in the last 8, finishing 5<sup>th</sup>, while Izzy went on to finish third and take a bronze medal.

## Ulster Gala - October 2017



The Sullivan Upper Swimming team represented the school at the annual Swim Ulster Schools Gala this month. The following pupils took part with many personal best times achieved over the weekend: Charlie Brown, Evan Coulter, Tiffany Fong, Gethin Lloyd, Conor McKeown, Anna Park, David Stinson, Mark



Stinson, Jake Thompson, Tom Uprichard, Andrew White, Rachel White and Rachel Wolseley.

Congratulations to the Intermediate Boys Relay Team who came second and achieved Silver medals in both the Boys 200 Medley and 200 Freestyle events. Tom Uprichard also won first place and gold medals in both his individual events 200IM and 100 Free and David Stinson and Evan Coulter both qualified for finals in their individual events.

