

Sullivan Upper School Monthly Newsletter



Congratulations to Sullivan Upper Chemistry pupils who won the Northern Ireland heat of the Royal Society of Chemistry "Top of the Bench" Competition at Queen's University. Year 10 pupils Catrina Cunningham and Ollie Butt along with John McNally from Year 11 and Sarah Robinson from Year 12 will now compete in the national competition in Loughborough. Well done!

Congratulations to the following pupils who have been offered places at Oxbridge:

- * **Martha Fitzpatrick** (Engineering, St John's College, Oxford)
- * **Anna Gray** (Modern Languages, Homerton College, Cambridge)
- * **Ella Orme** (Mathematics, Queens' College, Cambridge)



TRUE COLOURS EXHIBITION AT ULSTER MUSEUM

This year we have the examination pieces of three students selected for this highly prestigious exhibition of outstanding GCSE and A-Level Art & Design work.

Congratulations to the exhibiting students: Meg Wilson (GCSE), Laura Treharne (AS) and Joanna Baker (A2).



The exhibition, which is open to the public, continues until 19 February 2017 and is well worth a visit.



The 1st XI have progressed to the Semi-Finals of the Belfast Telegraph Schools Cup for the third consecutive year. They

defeated last year's cup winners Methody 1-0 in a tensely fought match on Wednesday 25 January. The Semi-Finals will take place on Wednesday 8 February at Lisnagarvey, with the opposition yet to be confirmed.

Congratulations to Jasmine Gray 9C who was recently awarded the prestigious 'Cheerleader of the Year' Award for Elevate Cheer, Rathgael Gymnastics & Tumbling Club. Elevate were runners up in the Scotcheer National Cheerleading Championships held in Glasgow last April and will be competing again in April.



Congratulations to Year 9 pupils, Robbie Morrow and Harry Wilson, who have been selected for the Northern Ireland Under 13 football squad.



FENCING - Congratulations to Benjamin Griffiths (8W) who was awarded a Silver Medal on Saturday 14 January in the 2016-2017 NI Junior Foil Series.

Past pupil and BBC NI Business Reporter, Clodagh Rice, was the guest at the first meeting of the Economics Society on 19 January. The audience of current and prospective Economics students in Years 12-14 heard how skills and knowledge gained through studying A Level Economics have



helped Clodagh in her working life. Clodagh also outlined some of the important issues facing the local and national economy in 2017 and signposted some useful web resources for students.

YEAR 11 SUCCESS IN ULSTER UNIVERSITY DESIGN COMPETITION

Congratulations to Erin Maginn (Year 11) who won 2nd prize in a competition organised by Ulster University to design a postcard for Belfast. Erin won an individual prize plus materials for the Art Department.



Erin being presented with her prize by Rachel Dickson, Associate Head of School, at a ceremony in Ulster University, Belfast Campus.

Maths Challenge

Over 82,000 pupils from across the UK sat the UK Mathematics Trust Senior Maths Challenge, with the top 10% receiving a gold certificate, the next 20% silver and the next 30% bronze. Pupils at Sullivan Upper School achieved 3 golds, 17 silvers and 12 bronze awards in this year's Challenge.



A special mention must be given to James Flack (Year 13), Ella Orme and Jonny Brattle (Year 14) who were awarded a gold certificate. James and Jonny were also awarded certificates for Best in Year performances. In addition, Jonny was awarded a certificate for Best in School performance. Congratulations to all who took part.

ATHLETICS - Tara McDonough (9A) recently represented Ulster in the All-Ireland Uneven Age Group Championships (U13) in Dundalk in Cross County. She also represented Co Down in the All-Ireland Even Age Group Championships (U14) in Dublin earlier in the season.

Dates for Diary - February 2017

Saturday 4 February	140th Anniversary Gala Ball	6.45 pm
Tuesday 7 February	Year 13 Parental Consultations	7.00-9.30 pm
Thursday 9-Friday 10 February	Year 11 Vaccinations	9.00-11.00 am
Friday 10-Friday 17 February	Ski Trip - Lillehammer	
Monday 13 to Friday 17 February	Half Term Holidays	School closed