

Sullivan Upper School Monthly Newsletter

DATES FOR DIARY - November/December 2020

M	9 November	Yr8 Flu Vaccinations	9.00-3.30
M-F	16-20 November	Anti-Bullying Week	
F	11 December	Yr10 - Learn to Earn	9.00-12.00 & 1.30-3.30
F	18 December	Autumn Term ends at 12.00	Buses @12.05
M-F	21 Dec-1 Jan	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS	School closed

Drop Everything And Read

On Wednesday 23 September the whole school engaged in a 15-20 minute session of reading for pleasure in a bid to further promote reading in Sullivan. The main focus of this DEAR challenge was to draw attention to the importance of reading for pleasure by having as many people as possible read at the same time on the same day. Work was put down, computer screens turned off, and everyone encouraged to pick up a book (fiction or non-fiction), magazine or newspaper and to read for at least 15 minutes. If reading is to become a lifelong habit then young people must see themselves as participants in a community that views reading as a significant and enjoyable activity and it was great to see so many enjoying this event at Sullivan!



Northern Ireland & Ulster Senior Track & Field Championships

Congratulations to the following pupils (past and present) who participated on Saturday 12 September 2020 at the Mary Peters Track:

Sasha Barrett-Ferris (U6) won the Women's Senior Javelin, also placing first in the U19 category. This was after winning the U19 Discus earlier in the day.

Tara McDonough (Y13) came 3rd in U17 1500m.

Amy Kimber (left June 2020) won the Women's Senior Discus, also placing first in the U20 category.

Erin McKinley (Yr12) got on to the U16 Ulster hockey training squad and played against the UK Lions, winning 3-0.

Congratulations to Ava Downey (Yr 11) who competed in the NI and Ulster Athletics meet in August 2020 and is now Ulster and NI U15 800m Champion.



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This was an excellent performance by all concerned and worthy of recognition.

A young woman with long brown hair, wearing a green school blazer over a white shirt and a dark tie, is smiling and holding a silver medal in a black presentation case. The blazer has a crest on the left chest and a 'WARRIOR' patch on the right. She is standing in front of a green hedge.

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For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain Philippians 1:21

spread the word...

CU & CIS GOOGLE CLASSROOM!

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!

CODE: ask/see school posters

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Note - unlike other classrooms - there will be no homework set and you can leave the class any time you want.

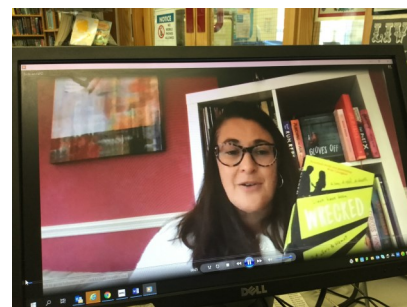
The image displays two tall stacks of DVD cases from the British Library's 'DVD Classics' collection. The stack on the left features titles such as 'The Worst Wives', 'Deep Night', 'Mic Drop', 'Bombs', 'Robin Hood', 'Theatrical', 'My Darling Clementine', and 'Next Market'. The stack on the right includes titles like 'Do You Know What I Did?', 'Check Mates', 'The Boxer', 'The Good Hawk', 'Good Girls Don't Bleed', 'A Woman's Paradox', 'The Executioner', and 'Ten Minutes'. Each case has a distinctive design with the title in large, stylized letters and a small illustration or portrait.

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On Friday 2 October each Year 8 class enjoyed a virtual visit from best-selling sport and historical fiction author, Tom Palmer. As well as talking about his latest novels 'After the War' and 'Armistice Runner' he gave advice about writing and answered pupils' great questions about his work and got lots of new ideas on what to read next!

YA author, and last year our author penpal to the Junior Book Club, Louisa Reid sent us a recorded video to celebrate 'National Poetry Day' at the start of this month, in which she not only talked to Year 10 pupils about her new verse novel 'Wrecked' but provided some writing tasks for pupils to create their own work.



Both these authors books are available to borrow from the Library: remember we are still operating a 'click and deliver' system so make sure to check out our ever-expanding stock of great books on 'Eclipse'. Please ensure books are always returned on time to the box inside the Library door.

Congratulations to Zoë Miller (Yr13) who has been selected as part of the U17 Golf Ireland Girls' performance development panel. This is an elite programme for the top girls from across Ireland, with only a few Ulster girls selected. Unfortunately due to the current Covid situation competitions are on hold.

Many congratulations to Katie Kimber (Yr13) and Erin McKinley (Yr12) for all their hard work and training for the last number of months which has led to them being selected for the Ulster U18 and U16 Girls hockey squads respectively. The inter-provisional tournament which was due to be played during the last week of October has unfortunately had to be postponed. We really hope that this will be re-arranged at another stage and the girls get the opportunity to represent their province.



Congratulations to the Sullivan boys who have been selected by Ulster Hockey to play in the Interprovincial Tournament in October (now postponed):

Ulster U18s - Sam Anderson, Harrison Dunlop, Patrick Rose

Ulster U16s - Toby Moore

Congratulations to Rowel Friers (Yr 14) on winning the Royal Irish Academy of Music 2020 Lucien and Maura Teissier Piano Scholarship.

