

# RUSH NATIONAL SCHOOL TIMES

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## Our summer issue

Our student council proudly present our final issue for this year. We hope you find it an interesting read. As you'll see, we have kept our 'PROFILE' section as it seems to have been a big hit with our readers. You'll also find out the winners to the Easter competition announced in our last issue as well as the eagerly anticipated answers to last issue's sudoku. Enjoy!

Pictured: Our student council members who make our school newspaper possible.

## Feature piece: 3rd class school tour

Mr. Fallon and his class recently met with some of our student council members to fill them in on their 3rd class school tour that took place on 18th May. They had an early start with the bus leaving the school just after 9am. The classes travelled to the Sport Ireland campus. The pupils took part in many activities including athletics, gymnastics, trampoline, badminton, long jump and racing. The majority of the pupils said that they would return although some of them suggested that the activities could have been longer. From many of the pupils reports, the bus seemed to have been great fun with sing songs go leor!

## Senior Boys' Football

On Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, Rush National School faced off against Pope John Paul School of Malahide in the Fingal Premier Final.

The final was held in Parnell Park with huge support from 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> classes. The game was fuelled with brilliant scores and some great tackles were made. Domhnall Hand and Oisín Keating were strong in defence ready for anything coming their way.

Rush was in the lead at half time with scores from Sam Rennicks and Rian Allsop, just to name a few. Rush's lead was rapidly taken with numerous attacks from Pope John Paul's school eating away at the score. With just minutes to go, Kristers Zvaners pounced on a mistake from Pope John Paul's goalkeeper to level the game. As the clock wound down, both teams knew they would face each other again in a replay. As they travelled home, Rush held their heads high and were optimistic for the replay.

On Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June, the highly anticipated replay was held in Fingallians, Swords. The sun was shining and the spectators were in a lively mood. Pope John Paul's were the first to strike and it paid off as they lead by ten points at half time.

Rush fought back bravely with their captain, Callum Armstrong leading the charge. With minutes to go, Rush were three points behind. They fired shot after shot but they didn't score before the whistle blew. Pope John Paul's were victorious and lifted the cup. It was a great performance from both teams. Rush will lift the cup next year.

### Riddles

1. How do we know if the ocean is friendly?
2. What gets wetter the more it dries?

## Senior Girls' Football

On the second of June 2022, The Girls Gaelic team from Rush National School took on Ratoath National School in the Fingal Schools League Final. This game left everyone on the edge of their seats, although it was a tough game for both sides there can only be one winner.

In the early minutes of the game, Áine Brady scored an amazing goal, which left Rush gaining the upper hand. Then minutes later, Ratoath scored, which left the scoreboard as 1 goal 6 points to Rush and 3 points to Ratoath at half time which narrowed the lead for Rush.

Rush took the lead as Emily Farrell, Caoimhe Devane and Rachel Sweetman lifted the scoreboard for Rush with some brilliant scores, which left Ratoath heading into a 9 point deficit.

In the final minutes of the game, Muireann Casey scored a spectacular point for Rush. The final whistle was blown. All of the Rush players ran onto the pitch with joy, the noise from the crowd was electric!

Rush had created great excitement making their school and the community proud. This was described as a momentous day.

Ms. McGlynn and Ms.Cusack mentioned that "We were both thrilled at the final whistle and we were delighted with the girls' success".

Rush reaffirmed themselves as Fingal Final Winners.

**Final score :** Rush: 2 -14 Ratoath: 3 points

## Easter Creative Writing Competition 2022

### The Egg Tree

By James Doyle

Over 1,000 years ago there were three Greek demigods, Jason (the golden fleece guy), Hercules (the 12 tasks guy) and Andromeda (the girl meant to be sacrificed to some monster, but she escaped.) We join them now in a deep cave on the island of Kefalonia...

“Uhhhh we have been walking for hours!” Andromeda moaned. “Well do you want to wait here for Medusa to return from Tartarus and turn you to stone like she almost did to Hercules?” argued Jason. “Quiet you two I am the scouter here, not you guys!” yelled Hercules. “Sheesh mister tough guy we get it. If Andromeda would just get it into her head that we don’t have to treat her like royalty anymore!” cried Jason. “Jason don’t mention Medusa anymore, I can’t get the image of that slithering beast out of my head” Hercules muttered bitterly. “Now come on, the presence seems closer now.” “Uh we have been following this presence since we left the Aegean” grumbled Andromeda. “Aaaand we are here” said Hercules. Before them stood a massive tree with golden leaves. It had curling branches that bore a strange fruit... “What the actual Hades!?” said Jason. Hercules picked one of the fruits and tried it. It tasted sweet in his mouth. “I will call it an Easter Egg”. ‘Eas’ meant sweet and ‘Ter’ meant shell. They sat under the golden leafed tree and ate the delicious eggs, before bringing some home to their village.

The End



Name: Mr. Keena

If you didn’t support Mayo, what team would you support? Kilkenny, because I enjoy hurling and my mother’s from there.

What was your favourite subject in primary school? P.E.

What did you want to be when you were younger? A teacher

If you weren’t a teacher, what would you be? I really don’t know... maybe something to do with cameras.

Who is your favourite teacher in this school? Mr. Doran because he gave me my first teaching job.

What hobbies do you have in your spare time? Playing music, playing sport and going to concerts.

An interesting fact that we wouldn’t already know about you. 3/4 of my family are teachers.

What is your favourite subject to teach? Maths

What’s your biggest fear? Water because I’m not a strong swimmer.

What three things would you bring with you to a desert island? A piece of flint, a fishing rod and a guitar to pass the time.

Are you a clean or messy person? Clean.

If you had to eat one meal for the rest of your life, what would it be? Shepherd’s pie.



Congratulations to Mr. Purcell and Ms. McGuinness on their recent wedding. We wish them a very happy future together.

Fun fact: They are not the first teachers in Rush National School to get married. Mr. & Mrs. Smith, now retired, got married during their time here.

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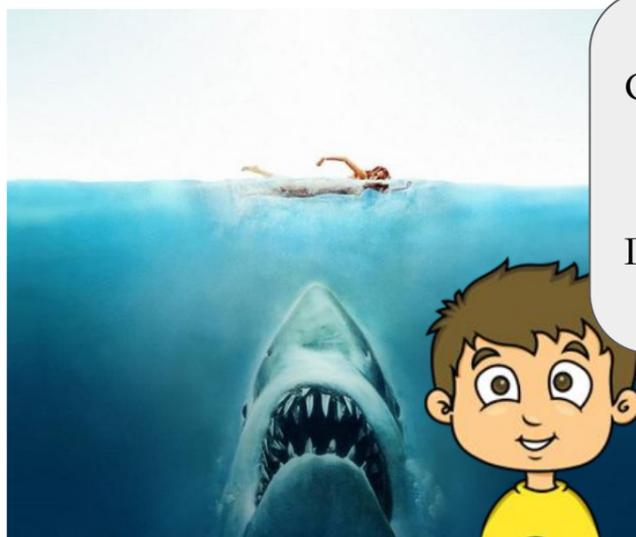
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### The solution to the sudoku challenge from our last issue

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## Jóc



Cad a d’ith Jaws don dinnéar?

Duine, duine, duine...

1. It waves.  
2. A towel.

## Easter Creative Writing Competition Winners

Class Winner	Title
1st Tom Breslin	The Guilty Easter Bunny
2nd Alice Di Troca	Let’s go to Easter Egg Land
3rd Marta Kapteine	The Golden Easter Egg
4th Olivia Rankin O’Reilly	Is this Real???
5th Katie Murphy Donegan	The Deadly Camp Trip
6th James Doyle	The Egg Tree