



END OF YEAR NEWSLETTER

REPRESENTATIVES

Our Student Council elections began at the commencement of the school year in September 2021 and March 2022 (First Year Elections). Throughout a two week process of nominations and election campaigns, the student body elected their representatives:

First Year:

Megan Lyons and Cody Bradshaw

Second Year:

Emily-Mai Ryan and TJ Keane

Third Year:

Ciara Donald-Besso (Secretary) and Haydyn Fleming

Fourth Year: Amy Morrissey (Treasurer) and Mary Anne FitzGerald

Fifth Year: Kelly Ryan and Curth Cortez (Public Liaison Officer)

Sixth Year: Emma Lyons and Jack O'Donoghue (Co-Chairpersons)

**'EVERYONE WORKING,
EVERY DAY FOR
EVERYBODY'**



Through fundraising activities and non-uniform days, the Student Council have raised and donated over €800. The charities selected by the Student Council members were considered to be best aligned with the school community's values:

Pieta House
Laura Lynn Foundation
Barnardos
UNICEF Ireland



BEST WISHES TO OUR 6TH YEARS

The Student Council would like to acknowledge the hard work of our Co-Chairpersons, Emma Lyons and Jack O'Donoghue. We wish them and their fellow classmates the best of luck in their upcoming State Exams and in all their future endeavours.

HIGHLIGHTS

ANNUAL SCHOOL WALK

On 18th October, the Student Council organised and coordinated the Annual School Walk. Encouraged by the good weather, the school community raised nearly €2,000.

A special thank you to the Parents' Association for their help in ensuring that students were safe during the walk and also to the wider Fethard community, friends and families who sponsored the students.



HALLOWE'EN CELEBRATIONS

Our first term came to a close as ghouls, Thing 1 and Thing 2 and Tipperary Senior hurling stars, Paul Kellys, graced our hallways. Staff members were nowhere to be found but suspiciously, there were over 20 (rather disruptive) new students who arrived, became TikTok stars and disappeared.

VALENTINE'S DAY

Love was in the air during the month of February as the Student Council organised their new fundraiser. Our fourth year representatives were inundated with purchases and the fundraiser proved so popular that we even had to add extra dates and doubled our orders.

Chocolate hearts were anonymously distributed to all our students and staff from their Secret Valentines. Gossip ensued for weeks but Cupid has remained tight-lipped.



Wellbeing Week

16th - 20th May 2022

At the conclusion of the school year, it was time for students to unleash their competitive side. Our school pitch was transformed into an inflatable obstacle course and students went head to head in the spirit of 'friendly' competition. Well done to all the challenge winners!

The event could not have been as successful without the help of the school's Wellbeing Committee, the PE department, and the many fourth year student who volunteered their time and organised extra challenges and games.

Special thanks to Ms Slattery and the Home School Community Liaison Coordinators, for without their generous contribution this day would not have be possible.



LGBTQI+ FLAG

Patrician Presentation Secondary School endeavours to create an atmosphere of inclusivity and respect. Therefore, it was the Student Council's highest priority to fundraise for the LGBTQI+ flag.

The displaying of this flag at our school entrance is in recognition of the diversity of experiences of our wider national and international community.



SPECIAL THANKS



We have experienced progress in the past academic year at Patrician Presentation, not only in terms of the number of students and the physical size of the school, but also within each individual. The school's dedication to helping each student reach their full potential, as well as its ever-improving standard of excellence, have produced, in my opinion, some of the finest pupils this school has ever seen.

As a fifth-year student, I've watched how the school's climate has evolved into one that is welcoming to kids of various backgrounds, providing a great learning environment as well as a place to create lasting experiences.

In this school, I've made friends who motivate me to achieve better and try harder every day. Not to mention my teachers who share that same aspiration. Eagerness, enthusiasm and determination are highly encouraged so that the product of this school might thrive and achieve what remains to be accomplished.

Having said that, we still have a long way to go, and the journey is beyond our view. So, today, let's do a little bit more.

**- Curth Cortez,
PPSS Student Council Public Liaison Officer**

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



As the 21/22 school year comes to an end, I would like to thank all those who contributed in making it such a memorable one.

A special thanks to the students, staff and parents whose collaboration has resulted in something special being present within our school community. I am excited for the years ahead and confident that the wonderful teaching and learning can continue and prosper into the future.

Wishing you all an enjoyable summer.

At Patrician Presentation Secondary School it is our highest priority to support a forum through which our students can exercise their independence and actively contribute to the school community. It is only through the respectful collaboration between the school staff and pupils that we can promote an enriching and inclusive environment.

Therefore, it is with great appreciation that I recognise our students' enthusiastic participation in the democratic formation of the 2021-2022 Student Council.

- Ms Y. Walsh