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Miles 2 Mayo Challenge

Supporting Cancer Fund for Children



Welcome to CARRICKFERGUS GRAM

From the 8th – 17th September, during Childhood Cancer Awareness month, former Ulster and Ireland rugby captain Rory Best walked 180 miles across Ireland to raise money for the Cancer Fund for Children. The target was to raise £500,000 to help fund a new therapeutic centre in Co. Mayo to compliment the centre already in place in Newcastle, Co. Down. In order to help raise money, students in Years 8-11 completed a run during Games periods to cover the 180 miles Rory was walking. A staggering **£6625** was raised by our students! Well done to everyone involved. Special mention to Ryan Millar, Adam Weir, Mitchell Brown, Shay McMurty, Sara Bell, Lucy Reid and Rebekah Sharpe.

PROUDLY SUPPORTING

RORY'S
MILES
2 MAYO

walking a mile in their shoes
...#supporting children with cancer



RYA Youth Championship



The Royal Yachting Association NI Youth Championships & NI Schools Cup was hosted by Carrickfergus Sailing Club over the weekend of 11 & 12 September 2021.

This was the fifth year CGS has participated with the 7 sailors, Holly McConnell, Mateo Moore, Roma Jackson Moore, Rory Pollard, Callum Pollard, Tyler Playfair and Alex Hogg representing the school. There were 127 entries from across the island of Ireland competing in 7 different classes of boat.

The competition zone was 3 miles off shore in Belfast Lough and participants spent approx 6 hours in their boat each day, along with briefings, rigging and derigging. Points awarded to individual sailors overall positions were allocated toward various trophies, including the coveted NI Schools Cup where CGS was awarded a very well earned 2nd place.



**RAF VIRTUAL EVENT
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Creative Writing Club

FRIDAY LUNCHTIME WEEK 1 ROOM 39

LET'S TALK ABOUT WRITING
LET'S TALK ABOUT BOOKS
LET'S WRITE!
LET'S GET PUBLISHED

BEGINNING FRIDAY 15TH OCTOBER 12:45-1:45

FOR MORE INFO SPEAK TO MON 5:45-6:00

EVERYONE WELCOME

JCD World Darts Championship

Great news for Year 11 pupil Callum MacDougall who is off to the JDC (Junior Darts Corporation) World Championships in Gibraltar in November. Callum was the first player from Ireland to qualify for the World Championships, having achieved the highest score in the first week of qualifying.

Callum will compete in both the individual and team events, joining 3 other players from the Carrickfergus Junior Darts Academy who have been asked to represent Northern Ireland. This is the first time Northern Ireland will have a team at the World Championships.

Callum's darts name is 'Blue Strike' and he's practicing hard as he will be competing with the best junior darts players from around the world.



Reminder – Carrickfergus Grammar School has moved to an online payment system for school lunches. You will be able to order and pay for your child's school lunch a week in advance. The menu is available in Parentmail.

Parents of children entitled to free school meals must also make menu choices through the system, without the need (at the end of the screens) for payment.

Horse Riding Success

Congratulations to the CGS Equestrian Team which finished fifth in the Inter Schools Competition recently. The team consisted of Katelyn Irvine, Ben Foster, Ross Graham and Katie Lowry (pictured on horse CJ).



Fleet Champion



Tyler Playfair who came first in the 4.2 fleet in Donaghadee Sailing Competition in early July. Well done Tyler!

Virtual Medicine Session



<https://workinspiration-ni.com/sehsct-medical-work-experience/>

The **South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust** are running a **'virtual' MEDICINE** session for students.

Date: Thursday 30th September 2021

Timing: 1.45pm – 4.40pm (log on from 1.38pm am for a prompt 1.45pm start – this event will finish at approx. 4.40pm this will hopefully allow for an overrun/questions)

Platform: ZOOM

Proposed Agenda (subject to change due to workload pressures/rotas/COVID surge)

13:45 Dr Niall Leonard
13:50 Miss Rachael Hutton
Consultant
14:10 Peter Irvine
14:30 Dr Carl Harris/Dr Mark Leith
15:15 Dr Conor Lamb
16:00 Dr Inez Cooke – QUB
16:30/16:40

Introduction
A day in the life of a Hospital
Volunteering
Simulation
Human Factors
Applying for medicine
FINISH



National Youth Choir NI

During the summer, Holly McConnell (Year 12) and Anna Officer (Year 13) took part in the National Youth Choir of Northern Ireland's week of workshops and performances. During this time much was still done online but it was great for them to be back with some face to face performing again and they enjoyed every minute!

Keep up to date with the Music Society on Google Classroom [u22jigp](#)
Instrumental and Voice Tuition [yogg6dy](#)
Extra Curricular Music [u22jigp](#)



If you are interested, please inform Mrs Buchanan asap.