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# NEWSLETTER



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The facilitators of parents plus successfully completed the children's programme this term. Well done to all of the parents who attended and completed the course. and well done to the team who ran the course



It is with regret that we share the sad news of the death of one of our colleagues, Ann Mulloy who many of you will know. We extend our sincere sympathies to Ann's family and may she rest in peace.

It was great to be able to recognise the ISL language being passed into law with a permanent reminder of the day on the wall in DVI, CIDP were delighted to be able to sponsor this initiative. We truly hope that this memory board will be a constant reminder of a major event in the calendar of the Deaf community and the recognition

of sign language as an official language in Ireland.



## **WELCOME**

Alan Smyth, Editor

Dear reader,

I hope you will enjoy the 2nd edition of our newsletter. In this edition we have updates from different areas of CIDP to help keep you updated on what is happening across the organisation.

We are also expanding our use of social media and have set up a twitter account, username @CIDP1845 Please follow us and hear from us on what is happening

I hope you find this newsletter useful and I would be delighted to receive any feedback. Please send any feedback to me, editor at alan@cidp.ie

All of us at CIDP would like to wish Eddie Redmond well as he heads off for pastures new. Eddie, as CEO of IDS, was a major driver in achieving recognition of ISL and has left a fantastic legacy behind him. Bon voyage Eddie and we wish you well.



Local community Garda Antoin Keating along with sergeant Patrick McGuilloway & Chief Superintendent Lorraine Wheatley who recently completed their QQI level 3 in ISL. Antoin and his colleagues plan to run the TAG programme in September in conjunction with the IDYA with some of the young people in the boarding campus. The aim of the programme is to promote positive engagement with teenagers and Gardai. It runs for about 6 weeks and the young people go on activities and have discussions with the guards on different topics. It as great to see Antoin and his collegaues embrace ISL and can be seen here with Declan Kenny (CIDP) and Tracey Treanor receiving their certificates. IDs were also very supportive in enabling the Garda to complete their studies.

### NCDP

### The relaunched annual Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock

NCDP organized a one day pilgrimage to Knock as part of the relaunched Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock led by Archbishop Diarmuid Martin. Fr. Gerard and Annie Egan advertised this one day event as part of the preparation for WMF 2018. Along with the pilgrims who travelled from Dublin we were joined by pilgrims from Galway, Mayo and Derry. 62 Deaf

people participated in the sacrament of the sick led by Archbishop Diarmuid in Knock Basilica.

### School Chaplaincy

Congratulations to the children of The Holy Family Primary School who were conferred with the Sacrament of Confirmation on 12th May 2018.

First Confessions were held on 20th April in preparation for the First Holy Communion of the children from The Holy Family School that was celebrated in the Emmaus Chapel, Deaf Village Ireland on 9th June 2018. Fr. Gerard was given special permission by Archbishop Diarmuid to confer Confirmation and was joined in the celebration by Fr. Paddy Boyle.



### Lourdes

The Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2018 takes place on 7th to 12th September, 2018. John Patrick Doherty will be the lead chaplain for this years' pilgrimage and will be accompanied by 22 Deaf volunteers and 2 volunteer interpreters.

### Deaf and Diocesan News

NCDP would like to congratulate Noel & Paula McHugh. On 2nd June Noel was ordained to the permanent Deaconate for the archdiocese of Dublin. For many years Noel and Paula have facilitated pre marriage courses for Deaf couples in conjunction with Accord and the NCDP.

### Summer Schedule - Emmaus Chapel

A summer mass schedule for the Emmaus Chapel for the months of June July and August will be in operation to facilitate chaplains taking annual leave.

## **BOARDERS**

### St Joseph's Boys

In June, St Joseph's will say goodbye to Edward and Julius as they prepare for life after school. We wish both young men the very best in their future.

Eoin Miller did us all proud when he passed his driving test on his very first attempt. Eoin attended driver theory classes every week and his commitment to studying and practicing paid off. Well done Eoin.







A big thank you to our chef Ann and porter Sean who mad delicious cakes and treats for the boys throughout the year. The boys helped Ann to bake/cook on Thursdays and JohnJoe can be seen putting his culinary skills to work.

CIDP were successful in obtaining a grant from SAGE and this money will be spent on assisted technology for homework club to enhance young people's learning.

Some of the boys performed in the Helix at the Emmanuel concert. The boys take this very seriously and are very proud to be involved in the choir. It was a beautiful performance. Well done to everyone who took part.



Sports is important and Johnny and Julius graduated from NABA for the 2nd year in a row. Johnny and Julius attend training at 7am every morning. Their dedication and commitment has had a positive influence on the younger boys in the house, encouraging a healthy and active house.



# **BOARDERS**

### St Mary's Girls

Everyone from St. Mary's Boarding House will be attending the end of the year meal at Captain America's, and we are looking forward to it. We will be also saying farewell to Leina, Orla, and Angel as they leave the boarding house. Well done to Angel, Leina, and Orla on their graduation. Angel is off to do a hairdressing course at Crumlin College, Leina is doing a sports course at Inchicore College and Orla will be attending Festina Lente in Bray to do a horse grooming course. But firstly, Leina will be travelling around Ireland in the summer, Angel is going on a holiday and enjoying her break before studying starts again and Orla will be attending a wedding in Spain. Leina described her time at the boarding house as enjoyable and good, she enjoyed the variety of activities we have here, especially Zumba and basketball. Leina said she learnt a lot about life skills whilst being at



the boarding house, especially being independent. Angel said she enjoyed the support she received from staff, especially from the teachers at Homework Club at school. She described her time at the boarding house as memorable and a lot of fun! Orla enjoyed being around her friends at the boarding house, chatting away and socialising and she said she had a lot of fun too during her time here.

We have a new activity here at St. Mary's boarding house, we started doing yoga with Stacey O'Sullivan and the boarders are really enjoying it.

The Sunflower group had a busy term, they went pizza-making at Crown Plaza in Blanchardstown and they will be visiting St. Joseph's House in June to meet the people who live there and learn Deafblind Manual.



On 24th April, our group of budding thespians entertained the Day Centre (for the over 55s) at the DVI with their play, "The Island". Members of the Day Centre enjoyed the play.

Well done to Gabrielle Coffey for getting a summer job in a coffee shop in Tralee.

Well done to Riema El-Ali, who has been selected by the Irish Deaf Youth Association to represent Ireland in EUDY'S Junior Camp in Slovakia this summer.

Google

# HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

### Our choir trip to Google

The trip to Google was fantastic!

The deaf choir went to google to perform. The teachers who went with the choir were Ms Higgins, Ms Creed and Mr Canning.

The choir had amazing time at google, they got a tour around google,

some of the student who went said they would like to work here when they leave school

The students who went to google were Abbey ,Shauna, Ciana, Callum, Angelo, Robyn, Marcus, Emma B, Emma F, Sarah, Japhet & Angel. When the choir finished, we got a gift from google.

The choir got their pictures taken.

We got shown the snack room, we also played pool.

The choir wrote on the google sign in the building, it was amazing trip for some of the choir.

### DCU

When I was at DCU on 8th March 2018 I learned more about how diet and being physically active, etc affects the body and the brain. The most interesting study that I observed at DCU was about the paleo diet, which is a type of diet where you only eat foods that the early humans (or 'cavemen') would have eaten thousands of years ago. This includes foods such as; meat, fish, nuts, leafy greens, regional vegetables and seeds. You cannot eat carbohydrates such as pasta, cereal and sweets. The students that studied the paleo diet tried following it for three days and found that abstaining from eating carbohydrates caused them to feel more tired and drained throughout the day, they also noted that they struggled to focus during that period.



## DIFFERENCE DAY

On May 25th one hundred and ten volunteers from Aer Lingus came to our school. In one day, they built a sensory garden and a greenhouse. All the students and staff from our school got involved. We all worked really hard and we got beautiful results. We really enjoy the day. We have a beautiful play area in our school to enjoy. It includes an assault course, football pitch and pitch & putt. Holy family school is really grateful to difference day and Aer Lingus for our wonderful play area. Also for the work done in the Boys Boarding garden













# **FUNDRAISING NEWS**



### VHI Mini Marathon

On 3rd of June Sunday, the staff, parents, kids and family friends did the VHI Mini Marathon to raise money for the Boarding and St Joseph's House CIDP would like to say we greatly appreciate to those who participate in the Mini Marathon and those who sponsored the runners. We look forward to doing it again next year and hope our numbers will grow, well done everyone

### SAGE

This year we received a grant from SAGE. This money will go towards technology in the boarding campus for education purpose through technology



### How can you support our work

We have set up an IDONATE

We are primarily funded by the HSE for the delivery of our board and adult residential services. However, we are continually trying to create more opportunities for Deaf people both you and old; of school leaving age and post school. To do this we rely on our own funds and any grants, bequest or donations we might receive.

What this money does is provide additional facilities for our people. This could be anything from basic materials for homework club or sporting activities, technology software and hardware, to major projects such as sensory areas of gardens, play areas where our residents and boarders can enjoy a quality of life and learn life skills.



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