

LUMEN CHRISTI COLLEGE



Annual Report
2005~2006

ROLE OF GOVERNORS

The Board of Governors has a statutory obligation to provide an annual report to parents on the implementation of college policies, the college curriculum and the management of the college in the year previous to the report's publication. Parents of all registered pupils in the college and all persons employed by the college are entitled to a copy of this report.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS 2005 - 2006

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The principal, Mr Patrick O'Doherty, is a non-voting member and Secretary to the Board.

The term of office of all representatives, other than Dr Devine, ends in October 2009. Dr Devine's term of office ends in September 2006.

THE CURRICULUM

Staffing

- We welcomed a number of new members to the teaching staff of the college - Miss Siobhan McKinney (ICT) , Miss Amanda King (Biology) and Miss Anne Dougan (Mathematics – one year contract). We also welcomed to our office staff Miss Angela Dent (Receptionist), Mrs. Patricia Mc Taggart (Secretary) and Mrs. Louise Harkin (Examinations Officer)
- From our teaching staff, Mrs Lisa Hunter left us to join the staff of Thornhill College. Miss Kerry McDaid, Miss Frances McLaughlin, Mrs. Priscilla Dolan and Mr Kevin Lafferty left our support staff. We take this opportunity to thank all of them for their commitment to the college and wish them every success for the future.
- Mr Maurice Harron, Head of Art, retired at the end of the school year. Mr Harron was a serving member of staff from the opening of the college in September 1997 and his presence and dedication will be much missed. We wish him a peaceful and relaxing retirement.

Academic & Pastoral Arrangements

There were 174 applicants in the Transfer Procedure who applied for admission to the college and 123 were admitted to Year 8, divided into five mixed ability classes according to choice of languages and friendship groups. At Key Stage 3 class sizes range from 18 to 25 in number; at Key Stage 4, from 14 to 24, streamed only for some classes in Additional Mathematics at GCSE; and at A-Level, class sizes range from 12 to 20.

- The college continues to offer the full Northern Ireland Curriculum at Key Stages 3 and 4. Learning for Life and Work was introduced into the Year 9 curriculum with classes in Citizenship and Employability. Business Studies and Further Mathematics were added to the A-Level options available, while Physical Education will cease to be offered as an academic A-Level after 2006. At A-Level, all students are offered at least three A-Levels.
- The after-school Enrichment programme offered over 50 different sporting, academic, social or recreational activities, Monday to Friday, 3.30pm to 4.30pm. New additions to the extra-curricular programme this year were Yoga and Tennis. We are particularly grateful to our external coaches and parents who help with our after-school activities.
- Students were again consulted on the college's Pastoral Programmes for Key Stage 3, 4 and Sixth Form and the programmes were revised accordingly.
- Careers Provision in the college was the subject of an ETI focused inspection. The inspection team highlighted the provision as an exemplar of good practice and rated it as Grade 1. The report noted an appropriate culture and ethos to develop Careers Provision suited to a top grammar and academically orientated school, a clear vision of the place of careers education in the curriculum and commitment by the careers staff to ongoing evaluation of their work. It praised excellent schemes of work, the time allocation given to careers in both the taught programme and cross-curricular provision and the careers guidance to students at all levels. The Board of Governors would wish to thank all of

those from so many professions who so generously donated their time and expertise in the preparation of the students in the mock -interview process and provision of work experience.

- In the KS3 Assessment tests all but 3 students achieved Level 6 or above in all subjects. In Mathematics, 24% and in Science 25% attained Level 8, while 76% attained the highest level in English (Level 7), all far exceeding the NI average for grammar schools. At GCSE level, all our pupils attained Grades A-C in at least eight subjects, 96 students achieved 5 Grade As or more and over 70% of all entries were Grade A or A*. A third of our students achieved 10As or higher. At AS Level examinations too, the college achieved outstanding success with 63% of all entries resulting in Grade A, fifty-six students attaining three Grade As or more and 94% attaining three A-C grades. At A-Level too, results were again improved on last year; 67% of all our entries resulted in Grade A and 109 students achieved three Grade A-C grades while 53 students achieved 3 or more Grade As. The results ensure the college's place among the foremost academic schools in the United Kingdom.

Parents Information

- Ongoing and updated information for parents on all aspects of college life is available on-line on the school website lumenchristicollege.co.uk. This contains monthly newsletters, staffing and pupil information, admissions criteria, complaints procedures and a wide range of policy documents on areas such as curriculum and pastoral provision, discipline, child protection, drugs awareness and sex education. Newsletters and policy documents are also available in written copy to parents on request to the school office and the School Development Plan is available for inspection by parents in the school.
- Parents Information Evenings were held for Years 8,10,11,13 and 14 and afford parents an opportunity to gain any information required on a wide range of issues including careers advice, subject choices, sex education programme, child protection, special educational provision, study skills, drugs awareness and preparation for university.
- All parents were sent a copy of the school's Acceptable Use of the Internet procedures.
- The Parents Association organized a Healthy Living Day, a Flower Arranging Evening and the wildly successful Summer Fete. The PTA also donated some £10,000 to the college's application for Specialist School Status. The Board once again acknowledges its debt of gratitude to the parents and teachers involved in the association for their dedication, commitment and hard work on behalf of the students.
- Year 8 pupils and their parents attended induction interviews in June and received copies of a Pupil Induction Booklet
- One formal complaint was lodged by a parent to the Board of Governors regarding admissions and several parents met with the Board to discuss PE as a post-16 option.
- An audit of parental opinion was conducted on a wide range of issues. One-third of parents were randomly sampled to complete a questionnaire and the report issued to all parents in June. Findings will inform the ongoing School Development Plan.

Premises

The refurbishment programme for the college continued with the reallocation of the staff working room as an additional classroom and Special Needs provision on the third floor. In addition, RE3 was refurbished. An Interview Room for parents and Reception for visitors was arranged on the ground floor and major repair work to the College Chapel was undertaken in the summer.

Interactive whiteboards were installed in the ICT and Technology departments.

Presentational and multi-media facilities were improved in the Assembly Hall and additional signage on the school grounds was provided.

Arrangements for the Security of Staff and Pupils

Keycode entry pads were provided to secure entry to main foyer doors and other entrances on the new building block and additional cameras installed externally. Additional security fencing was also erected on the school perimeter.

An emergency evacuation drill was conducted in the first term.

An Acceptable Use of The Internet Policy and parental guidance documents on use of the internet were sent from the school to all parents/guardians in the third term.

The college employed the services of an NSPCC Counsellor to provide independent counseling for students. An independent counseling service for staff was also engaged.

Education for Mutual Understanding.

The college undertook a range of Community Relations Projects in 2005-6.

Class 8C and a Year 9 class from Antrim Grammar School took part in the Verbal Arts Centre's See Me See You project. The project employed active and experiential learning strategies to explore issues of cultural identity, diversity and conflict. The programme allowed pupils to explore and enhance their knowledge, understanding and attitudes towards the diverse and unique community they are growing up in, Northern Ireland.

In Feb / March, the two classes spent two days working together in the Verbal Arts Centre and 8C also travelled to Antrim Grammar for a third day of activities and a great time was had by all. Our thanks to Ms A. Hamilton and Mr J. Mc Quillan who accompanied 8C on these outings and to Mr Ciaran Flanagan who delivered the programme.

"Prejudice Face On" was the 2006 theme for the annual Community Relations Initiative co-ordinated by Derry City Council, The Junction and Children in Cross-Fire.

The initiative offers secondary schools a programme of work shops on the themes of Good Relations, sectarianism, racism, homophobia and Human Rights. This year specific identity work was built into workshops and each school has a different "prejudice" to explore in more depth. Class 10B took part in a series of Workshops facilitated by Jim Arbuckle (UNICEF) and Emma Johnston (Youth Action) on the theme of "What is Good Relations?"

In April all the schools involved were invited to make a presentation of their work to the Mayor and other dignitaries at an event in the Calgach Centre. 10B presented their work in song and were accompanied (only in person!) by Mr. J. Byrne .

As part of The Simon Community workshop programme, Ms Julia Gracia, Education Officer with the Simon Community, accompanied by peer educators, visited the school in both December and June to present a workshop to Year 8 pupils on the work of the Simon Community as part of Citizenship Programme. This was very well received by all.

In March, an education officer from Trocaire also visited the school to launch the Lenten Campaign 2006 –“Every child has the right to a childhood” with each year group in the school. Two Year 8 classes participated in follow-up workshops on the theme as part of the college’s Citizenship Programme and Mr Jim Arbuckle (UNICEF) visited the school in May to lead a workshop with Year 8 Pupils on The Rights of Children.

Religious and Spiritual life in the college

Under the banner of Religious Development our third Chaplaincy and Charity Teams were created and both prepared to enter a new three year phase. This year was an important time for consolidating the large amount of work and the many initiatives that have become a central part of College life. It also became a time of reflection and a chance to refresh. The 2006-2009 Development Plan now points to a very exciting and challenging period in the pastoral and spiritual life of our school as we move towards our tenth anniversary.

With our tradition of First Friday Mass we also celebrated a number of Seasonal Masses, including the Feast Days of the Immaculate Conception and St Patrick. We celebrated mass with the staff and ended the year for our senior students with two masses to conclude Years 12 & 14. Priests came from various parishes throughout the Derry Deanery.

Our annual day of Reconciliation was held during Lent. This gave every student in the school the opportunity to receive the sacrament. Twenty priests from the Derry Diocese joined us for the day. We are indebted to them for their continued support.

This year saw our Retreat Programme extend to every year group in the College. Our Year 14 group had a residential retreat at Corrymeela, Ballycastle. Our Year 10 group visited Ards Friary, Co. Donegal.

The Year 11, 12 and 13 groups had one day retreats in the Carmelite Retreat Centre, Termonbacca, with a range of outside groups and facilitators. Our junior retreats were staff led and designed to give the young people an opportunity to reflect and pray about life issues. In addition, Year 8, 9 & 10 groups were withdrawn for guided prayer and meditation throughout the year by our senior outreach students.

As usual, the Carol Service took place in the Long Tower Church. An invitation was extended to the local community and parish schools. This is a wonderful occasion that continues to lead us into the heart of Christmas. The service was also the venue for our cheque and hamper presentations to the many groups and concerns that we continue to reach out to.

The year also saw the launch of our Outreach Programme in Sixth Form. Every student was involved in voluntary work ranging from church cleaning duties, to visits in the local residential nursing homes, and extra-curricular involvement in the local primary schools. This was a true example of faith in action.

Each day throughout the year the College Chapel was the venue for Morning Prayer. The commitment of those in attendance was very encouraging. During Advent and Lent the Blessed Sacrament was exposed and students were invited to visit the chapel for periods of quiet prayer.

A number of trips were offered to our students. Among these, we had an Ecumenical Church Trail around the four main churches in Derry and a pilgrimage to Knock for Year 10. Our Year 13 students visited Dublin and the East Coast on a field trip exploring 5th – 9th century Celtic Church sites.

Specialist Schools Programme

Lumen Christi College was one of twelve schools in Northern Ireland to be successful in bidding for Specialist School Status as a Science College. Over the next four years the college will develop its expertise in the teaching and learning of Science and seek to build upon links with local primary and secondary schools as well as local businesses to promote awareness of Science in the community.

Collaboration and sharing of ideas and projects with other schools throughout Northern Ireland and further afield will be at the heart of the programme.

In addition, the financial investment by the DENI in the school infrastructure and curriculum will allow the college to maintain its already high standards of academic achievement in all curricular areas. The college received capital funding of £100,000 and recurrent funding of approximately £84,000 over each of the next four years of the programme. Much of this will go towards improving IT provision within the college and to creating primary science programmes and community project work in our outreach programme.

Miss Martina McLaughlin was appointed Specialist Science Co-ordinator to oversee the implementation of the programme and Mrs Martina Gillan undertook the responsibility for primary school liaison. Parents seeking further details on the four year plan should contact Miss McLaughlin and a full copy of the plan is available in the school on request.

The Board of Governors wish to acknowledge their gratitude to all the college's business sponsors, educational partners and professional organisations for their support, their assistance in putting the bid together and in their financial support without which Specialist Status would have been impossible. We look forward to working with them over the next four years.

REVIEW OF THE YEAR 2005-2006

SEPTEMBER	Induction Day for parents and pupils in Year 8 Celebration of Mass of Welcome Senior Prizegiving Junior Prizegiving Year 14 Work Experience Year 14 Interview Skills Day Year 14 attended Open Day at Queen's , Belfast Silver Duke of Edinburgh Expedition Gold Duke of Edinburgh Expedition
OCTOBER	Study Skills Evening for Year 8 parents Year 12 Pro-Life Conference Year 11 Retreat AGM of Parent Teachers Association Year 13 Induction Evening Year 11 Parents Information Evening Year 10 Parents Information Evening Year 10 Geography Field Trip Year 13 Geography Field Trip AS/A2 French Film Event, QFT, Belfast
NOVEMBER	Parents' Nights for Year 13 and Year 14 Year 13 Geography Field Trip Year 10 Church Trail Year 10 Pilgrimage to Knock Year 10 History Trip to Ulster American Folk Park Year 13 Retreat College Ceili College Formal Lumen Christi took part in Mock Bar Trial NI. Finals
DECEMBER	Advent Service and Carol service 'Magic of the Musicals' Show Parents' Evenings for Years 10 and 12 Reception for 2004 and 2005 Leavers
JANUARY	Ulster Secondary Schools Swimming Gala, Belfast AS/A2 Public examinations Internal School Examinations

FEBRUARY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 12 Study Skills Day Year 12 Retreat Year 12 Careers Talk Open Day Year 13 Drug Awareness Session Year 14 Residential Retreat (Corrymeela) All-Ireland Schools Swimming Gala School Target -Setting Day Year 8 Parents' Meeting
MARCH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 9 Parents' Meeting Year 11 Parents' Meeting Year 9 Ski Trip to Haut Lac, Switzerland Irish Mass led by Rev. John Farren in celebration of St Patrick's Day Year 9 Geography Field Trip Year 13 Geography Workshop in Thornhill College Battle of the Bands Competition Diocesan Mass for Catholic Schools' Week Year 14 Geography Field Trip Year 9 French Breakfast
APRIL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whole School Penitential Service Year 14 History Trip to Dublin Year 14 Geography Field Trip Spring Concert Year 13 RE Trip Year 13 UCAS Conference in Belfast Year 10 French Trip Year 11 Italy Trip Primary School Gaelic football Tournament Year 10 French Breakfast
MAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> KS3, GCSE , AS and A2 Examinations Primary Schools Netball Competition GCSE, AS and A2 Art Exhibition Year 11 Geography Field Trip Valedictory Evening for Year 14 Year 11 Love for Life Conference KS3 Class Soccer Leagues KS3 Divert Drugs Awareness Talks AS History Conference - Foyle College Year 10 Bronze Duke of Edinburgh hike College Sports Day Year 8 French Breakfast
JUNE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Years 9 History Trips: City Walls tour Year 8 Trips to Gortatole and Gaeltacht Year 10 Retreats Year 10 English visit to Verbal Arts Centre Year 9 Entrepreneurship Day Junior Choir Recital for Primary Schools Meetings with new Year 8 pupils and their parents GCSE PE pupils act as helpers at Special Olympics in Belfast PTA Summer Fete

Sports, Music and Achievements

The P.E. programme offered opportunities for pupils to participate in Athletics, Badminton, Basketball, Trampolining, Camogie, Dance, Gaelic Football, Rugby, Golf, Gymnastics, Hurling, Swimming, Netball, Cross-Country, Soccer, Tennis, Cricket, Volleyball, Softball and Judo.

Sporting facilities consist of three outdoor pitches, one grass and two all-weather pitches, a basketball court, tennis court, an Assembly Hall/Gymnasium, a Sports Hall/Gymnasium, changing rooms and access to local swimming pools at William Street Pool and Lisnagelvin Leisure Centre, to the DCC Pitch at the Daisy Field and to Foyle Golf Club.

After-school clubs were held every day offering a range of activities:

Aerobics, Art, Basketball, Book Club, Chess, Choir, Computer Club, Cricket, An Cumann Gaelach, Drama, Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme, First Aid, Folk Group, Gaelic, Golf, Gymnastics, Homework Clubs, Languages Club, Modern Dance, Orchestra, School Magazine, Netball, Rugby, Soccer, Science Club, Swimming and Trampolining.

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

2005-6 was a year of magnificent sporting achievement for the college across a wide spectrum of activities.

In Athletics, our Year 9 girls finished third in the Milk Athletics Event and the boys (Conan Lundy; Christopher Beales; Ruairi Heaney; Emmett Mc Daid; Michael Kennedy; Maitui Kearns and Conall Doherty) secured second place, qualifying for the district finals in Coleraine again finishing an excellent second and narrowly beating St. Columbs College to qualify for the Ulster finals. Because of his performances in the Milk Cup, Emmett Mc Daid was chosen to represent Ulster in the school Inter-Provincial competition. The highlight of the athletics season came when against all odds the u14 boys team participated in the All-Ireland competition and won the silver medal.

At the District Schools Athletics competition in Antrim, where all pupils competed in at least one event, Ronan Doherty achieved Silver in the 400m, Séanan Heaney took Gold in the 300m, Conor Murray took Gold in the 800m and silver in the 1500m and Bronagh Irvine took Gold in the 800m also. All four athletes went on to compete in the Ulster Schools Competition where Seanan Heaney won an Ulster Silver medal. Seanan qualified for the Irish Schools Competition which took place in **Tullamore** where she came 7th in Ireland and was chosen to represent Ulster in the Schools' Inter-Provincial competition in June.

A special word of thanks must go to Mrs. Danae Herron, who along with Miss Fleming, has worked so hard with all the athletes this year and we hope she will continue to do so in the years to come.

In Gaelic Football, Season 2005/2006 saw the college's Gaelic football teams making their mark in Ulster Colleges football.

The Year 9 Team, captained by Emmett Mc Daid, competed in the Mallon Cup and after a good league campaign, were beaten by Castleblaney on a day where we had 6 star players missing. The highlight of the year was the school's first ever Ulster Colleges title in November winning the BT Faul Cup team and the buzz around the school the following few weeks will never be forgotten. Our thanks and congratulations to Mr McIver and to Miss Fleming who helped to coach the teams.

The Ladies Under 14 Team had a good league campaign and showed great commitment to training, narrowly losing two games and achieving their best performance of the season beating St Mary's Derry by 9 points. The Under 16 Team also had an excellent league campaign and reached the semi final where St Mary's achieved their revenge in a two-point victory. The U-19 team reached the county semi - final when they were narrowly beaten by St Pius' Secondary School. This squad of players has a lot of talent and the team will only lose one player this year. Three girls (Sarah Mason - Under 14, Emma Doherty/Katie Henderson - Minor & Senior squads)

For the 3rd consecutive year Lumen Christi Judo Club won the Northern Ireland Schools Judo Competition. The boys won the overall team shield with 4 gold, 3 silver and 4 bronze medals. This is undoubtedly a tremendous achievement for the school and the success of the students is a testament not only to the interest and enthusiasm of the students themselves but also to the dedication, commitment and encouragement of their coach, Tom Pearson.

Both Conor Bradley and Sarah McDaid continue to set a high standard and have been chosen as members of the British cadet selected to compete in the UK and Europe . Closer to home, Lumen Christi students were selected to compete for Northern Ireland in the Commonwealth Judo Tournament which was held in Templemore sports complex from the 16th - 18th June. Conor Meenan (Yr 11) won Gold in the Youth Section, while Conor Bradley and Sean O'Doherty (Yr 12) and Conor Boyd (Yr 10) won Silver with Bronze medals going to Niall O Doherty (Yr 9), Sarah Mc Daid (Yr 11) and Aioibheann Bradley (Yr 8).

With four teams competing in Netball at Minor, Junior, Intermediate and Senior Level in both League and Cup, the college again had a successful year winning two titles in the Derry Area and narrowly losing two finals. The minor team, captained by Lauren Cunningham, lost in the semi final of the plate to St Michael's Lurgan

The junior team, captained by Sarah Mason, won the Derry Area Competition but were beaten by Sacred Heart, Omagh in the Western Area finals, while the intermediate team, captained by Kayleigh Moran, reached the semi final of the NI Plate. The Senior Team captained by Katie Henderson, won the Derry Area but lost in the semi final of the NI cup, again to Sacred Heart, who went on to become All Ireland Champions. Katie Henderson and Leigh Irwine played their last game for the college this year and Mrs. Deery would like to thank them personally for their commitment and dedication to the PE department.

Hope for the future lies in the large number of students on representative squads: In the Under 15 Western Area Squad, Aioibheann Shiels and Soraya Power (Year 12); In the Under 16 Western Area Squad, Laura Devine, Seanan Heaney and Kayleigh Moran (Year 13); and in the Under 17 NI Development Squad, Sarah Maybin and Emma Doherty (Year 14).

From the start of the year, rugby in the school was divided into two sections; junior and senior. This allowed more pupils the opportunity of playing the game and representing the school. The junior section entered the Mowbray Shield acquitting themselves well and finishing the season with a victory at Lisneal College. A special mention must go to four members of the junior section, David Devine, Daniel O'Connor, James McIvor and Ciaran Allen, who during this season became Ulster champions with their club side, City of Derry.

Though the senior team began the league season with a defeat away to Strabane Grammar School, their subsequent excellent run saw them qualify for the league Grand Final in March in the City of Derry Rugby Club. A draw with Lisneal College meant that both schools ended up deservedly sharing the cup.

This has been a hugely successful season and our thanks go out to our Captain Ciaran O'Hara for his fine leadership and help throughout the season.

At Soccer, teams participate in both the NI Cup and Derry Leagues. The Year 9 soccer team had an exceptional year and lifted the Derry & District Schools League undefeated throughout the season. Led by team captain Emmett Mc Daid, there were many wonderful performances and particular mention must go to Noel Reilly's match winning goals and Christopher Beales' Man of the Match performances at the back.

Not to be outdone, the Year 11 Team, coached by Mr Doherty, also won the D&D league, and were crowned champions after an exciting final game where they beat Lisneal on penalties. Congratulations also to individuals who achieved so much this year: Paul Gallagher (Year 12) represented Northern Ireland on several occasions; Matthew Patterson experienced success in Spain with Top of the Hill Celtic; and Jack Melaugh Mc Ateer and Jordan Thompson went on tour to China this summer with Foyle Harps.

Our gratitude goes to our Derry City Soccer coaches who guide our pupils each week in after school training, one of the most successful after-school clubs in the college.

In Swimming too there was much to celebrate this year.

At the Ulster Grammar Schools Gala in Lisburn this year, all of our swimmers competed very well: Adam Mc Nulty came away with two golds in the intermediate backstroke and butterfly; Jack Loughrey achieved silver in junior boys freestyle and bronze in junior boys breaststroke; and the intermediate boys relay team of Adam, Philip Mc Loughlin, David Downey, Niall Parke and Conor Hillick fought off fierce competition to achieve a silver medal in both the freestyle relay and in the medley relay.

In the Ulster Secondary Schools Gala, Adam won both the intermediate boys backstroke and butterfly, Connor Hillick came second in the intermediate backstroke and Philip Mc Loughlin got a bronze in the butterfly. Adam, Philip and Conor were joined by Niall Parke and David Downey to complete the boys intermediate relay team which won both the intermediate boys freestyle and intermediate boys medley relays. Jack Loughrey won silver in the junior boys freestyle and a bronze in the junior boys breaststroke. Amy May Garvey won a bronze in the intermediate girls breaststroke and she has another year in this age group. All these swimmers qualified for the Irish Schools held in Dublin, where Adam Mc Nulty won silver in both the intermediate boys backstroke and butterfly while the intermediate boys relay team achieved a silver in both the freestyle and medley relays.

As a result of his performances in the Ulster Secondary schools, Conor Hillick travelled to Tenerife in October to participate in the Ulster schools Junior Training camp.

The North West Gala held in William Street Swimming Baths in June continued our phenomenal success in swimming. Lumen Christi won a host of individual Gold, Silver and Bronze at this Gala with many team relay golds and overall best school in many age groups.

This is a remarkable group of young people who are totally committed to their sport and our thanks are due to Mary Mc Callion, our swimming coach, Martin Mc Nulty who gives freely of his time to travel to all the galas with the team and Adam Mc Nulty who runs the club single-handedly.

The year 11 GSCE class this year had the privilege of attending the Special Olympics held in Belfast. Throughout the two days the pupils represented the school with zeal and pride and the organizers have written personally to thank them as ambassadors for sport and for Lumen Christi.

Some forty Year 8 students enjoyed an action-packed week in Gortatole engaging in activities including rafting, rock-climbing, hill-walking and caving. The evening activities ranged from orienteering to problem solving exercises. A great time was had by all! Many thanks are due to the supervising teachers, Mr. McIver, Miss Fleming, Mrs. McGarrigle and Dr. Gormley.

The annual ski trip to Switzerland again proved immensely successful. Mrs. Deery, Mr Hegarty, Mrs. Dobbins, Dr Gormley, Mr Dunne and Miss Mc Kinney accompanied forty pupils to the Haut Lac skiing centre and survived!

Twenty two half-colours were awarded in the college's reward system for achievement in sport - the Colours Award - giving half colours to pupils who represent the district or win a local title and full colours for those who represent county, country or win a national title. Six Full colours were awarded this year, an indication of the growing success of our students beyond the college.

In what proved to have been an outstanding year of team and individual success, The Board of Governors would like to thank those many parents, support staff outside coaches and teachers who assisted throughout the year in such a wide range of activities.

MUSIC

In 2005/6 the Music Department enjoyed another challenging and varied year of achievements both in examination and extra-curricular work. The junior choir enjoyed a very busy and productive year. Composed of Years 8 and 9 pupils, they devoted an enormous amount of time and energy to their programme. Attendance and punctuality throughout the year was remarkable as was the great pride the pupils showed both in preparation and performance.

Among their many engagements were Christmas charity work in Foyleside for Save the Children and Macmillan Cancer Relief and an important role in the College Carol Service. In 2006 they participated in the Gala Fundraising night for the RNLI and were involved in an interactive performance for the pupils of Woodlands National School, Letterkenny.

The highlight of the year was their outstanding performance in 'The Magic of the Musicals' where they rose to the challenge and produced a memorable performance of a most demanding and lengthy medley of Disney songs. The featured soloists were Clodagh Kennedy, Aoibheann Biddle, Katie Herron, Aoife Doherty, Leona Doherty, Derbhla Bradley, Aoife Doyle, Aaron Deery and Rebecca O'Reilly.

The Senior Choir was also magnificent in 'The Magic of the Musicals' performing over thirty hits from Broadway and West End shows. There was a huge amount of both individual and chorus talent on display and the featured soloists were Clare McAnaney, Catherine Meenan, Jacqui Cartin, Peter Doherty, Andrew Breslin, Ben Kelly, Ciaran O'Driscoll, Michaela McGavigan, Ailish Harley, Alisha Doherty, Amy Doherty, Amy Crothers, Orlaith Kelly, Gemma Doogan, Grainne McAnaney, Rochelle Morrison, Catherine McHale, Mairiosa Biddle, Anna McIvor and Christina McBeth.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

Seventeen students achieved the Silver Award in the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme and six (Lyali Banat, Elaine Cassidy, Helen Lynch, Aideen McDaid, Jane McIvor and Maria McMenamin) attained Gold awards. Over fifty junior pupils have now completed the Bronze Award in the scheme and the numbers of our students excelling in this programme is in no small measure due to the enthusiasm and commitment of the co-coordinator, Mr Chris Ryan.

The college also received the Princess Diana Memorial Award for Community Outreach for the work done by our pupils in visiting the elderly; congratulations are due too to the organizers of the programme, Mr Stephen Doherty and Dr Michael Gormley.

At GCSE, Joint 1st in UK English Literature was shared by three students who attained full marks - Eimear Bell, Ben Kelly, Aisling Maguire - while seven others - Kevin Brown, Niamh Hargan, Clare McCloskey, Emmet McGinley, Sinead McKeever, Lorcan Mullen and Megan Ramsey - all achieved marks among the top five in the UK. Niamh went on to secure a Top Five mark in Religious Studies as well, while Laura McLaughlin attained a similar success at GCSE French. Jareer Banat took 2nd Place in N. I. in GCSE Health & Social Care, while 3rd Place in N.I. went to Emmet McGinley and Conor Bradley in History and Biology respectively.

At A-Level too, students attained outstanding individual success with Jane McIvor attaining a top 5 mark in the UK in Biology and going on to study Medicine at Cambridge, while 1st Place in N.I. in A-Level ICT went to Daniel McCallion. Mairiosa Biddle achieved 2nd Place in N.I. in A-Level Music and 3rd Place in N.I. in A-Level Irish went to Caoimhin Mac Giolla Easpaig.

Well done, to Niamh Hargan, who was runner-up at GCSE in the prestigious Axios Awards for Top Female Student in Northern Ireland in ICT. Niamh will now participate in the UK final of this competition. Laura Irwin and Edele Gormley were named among the top ten female ICT students at A2 and GCSE respectively.

In April 2006 ten of our pupils were awarded Highly Commended Certificates in the French Free Spirit National Poetry Competition. They were chosen out of a total entry of 1000 poems representing eighty seven schools in the whole of the UK.

Irish students, Niamh Breslin, Lea McKeever, Mary Doney and Lauren O'Neill won the Gael Linn Quiz while Conor McLaughlin achieved first place in the Gael Linn Public Speaking Competition (12-15 category.) His success was matched by that of Lisa Gormley who took first place in the 16 -18 category.

Our mathematicians performed to a very high standard in the different sections of the Maths Challenge Competition : Year 9 pupils picked up fifteen gold, twenty seven silver and thirty three bronze certificates in the Junior section, Year 11 pupils picked up two gold, six silver and twenty three bronze certificates in the Intermediate section while Year 13 pupils were awarded one gold, three silver and eight bronze certificates in the Senior section.

In Art, Year 10 pupil, Sarah Mason reached the Northern Ireland finals of the Google competition while Orla O'Mahony won the local Credit Union competition.

In the Londonderry Chamber of Commerce Public Speaking competition, Charlotte Tracey won the over 16 section while Jonathan Guckian topped the under 16 category. Jonathan, along with Aidan Harkin and Yang Xu , went on to win first prize in the "This is not a pen" competition organized by the Verbal Arts Centre. Year 14 pupils, Catherine Nicholas and Kevin Burns, both had articles published in the "Derry Journal".

Our Year 9 History pupils won the post-primary section and overall History Cup at the Derry Feis with their project work on The Siege of Derry.

Year 8 pupils did themselves proud in the Credit Union Quiz. Our team of Clodagh McDermott, Katie Herron, Conor Kiely and Philip Canny won the local heat coming top of twenty four teams representing eleven schools. This victory enabled them to participate in the Chapter level of the competition and, although they were not successful in qualifying, the experience will stand us in good stead as we hope to build a stronger quiz culture in the future. The participation of the Year 8 pupils was strongly supported by Year 12 pupils, Aishling Kelly, Laura McLaughlin and Ben Kelly who are members of the Credit Union Youth Committee and we are indebted to them for this.

College policy documents on the following topics are available in the college at any time and parents may pick up a copy by calling to the Office.

- *Admissions*
- *Anti-Bullying*
- *Attendance*
- *Assessment*
- *Asthma*
- *Charging & remissions*
- *Child Protection*
- *Complaints*
- *Curriculum*
- *Discipline and Behaviour*
- *Drugs Awareness*
- *Health and Safety*
- *Homework*
- *Literacy*
- *Numeracy*
- *Pastoral Care*
- *Sex Education*
- *Special Educational Needs*
- *Use of the Internet*

Any parent or member of staff wishing to offer comments or suggestions on the policy statements should provide these in writing to the principal. Any views expressed will be taken into account in the process of revision by the Board of Governors and Leadership Team.

EXTERNAL EXAMINATION RESULTS

GCSE EXAMINATIONS 2006

No Of pupils in Year 12:

129

No Of pupils with statement of Special Educational Needs:

2

Subject	No. Entries	GradeA*	Grade A	Grade B	Grade C	Grade D	Grade E	%age Grade A+A*	%age Grade A-C
Additional Maths	42	8	17	11	4	1		59.5	97.6
		19.0	40.5	26.2	9.5	2.4			
Art	35	14	6	14	1			57.1	100.0
		40.0	17.1	40.0	2.9				
Biology	41	18	16	6	1			82.9	100.0
		43.9	39.0	14.6	2.4				
Chemistry	41	22	17	1	1			95.1	100.0
		53.7	41.5	2.4	2.4				
Design and Technology	31	2	18	10	1			58.1	100.0
		6.45	58.1	32.3	3.2				
English Language	129	26	52	47	4			60.5	100.0
		20.2	40.3	38.0	3.1				
English Literature	115	54	33	27	1			75.0	100.0
		47.0	28.7	23.5	0.9				
French	65	30	14	12	7	2		67.7	96.9
		46.2	21.5	18.5	10.8	3.1			
Geography	39	13	14	10	2			69.2	100.0
		33.3	35.9	25.6	5.1				
History	80	33	24	19	4			71.3	100.0
		41.3	30.0	23.8	5.0				
H/Econs	36	4	8	16	8			33.3	100.0
		11.1	22.2	44.4	22.2				
Information Technology	65	41	24					100.0	100.0
		63.1	36.9						
Irish	20	7	5	8				60.0	100.0
		35.0	25.0	40.0					
Mathematics	129	38	46	36	9			65.1	100.0
		29.5	35.6	27.9	7.0				
Music	19	7	8	4				78.1	100.0
		36.8	42.1	21.1					
Physical Education	18	17	1					100.0	100.0
		94.4	5.6						
Physics	41	15	15	8	3			73.2	100.0
		36.6	36.6	19.5	7.3				
Religious Education	128	53	46	24	4	1		77.3	99.2
		41.4	35.9	18.8	3.1	0.8			
Science DA	176	48	80	42	6			72.7	100.00
		27.3	45.4	23.9	3.4				
Spanish	65	16	16	17	10	6		49.2	90.8
		24.6	24.6	26.1	15.4	9.2			
Total	1318	469	461	312	66	10		70.6	99.2
%age		35.6	35.0	23.7	5.0	0.8			

* 2 students completed studies at German and Health and Social Care and attained Grade A*

A-LEVEL EXAMINATIONS 2006

No Of students in Year 14:

112

No Of pupils with statement of Special Educational Needs:

0

Subject	Entries	A	B	C	D	E
Art & Design	11	9	2			
		81.8	19.2			
Biology	61	36	16	9		
		59.0	26.2	14.8		
Chemistry	48	34	8	5		1
		70.8	16.7	10.4		2.0
English Literature	25	21	3	1		
		84.0	12.0	4.0		
French	5	1	2	2		
		20.0	40.0	40.0		
Geography	25	20	5			
		80.0	20.0			
History	39	30	8	1		
		76.9	20.5	2.6		
Information Technology	30	19	8	3		
		63.3	26.7	10.0		
Irish	10	8	2			
		80.0	20.0			
Mathematics	38	29	7	2		
		76.3	18.4	5.3		
Music	9	8	1			
		88.9	11.1			
Physics	12	9	1	2		
		75.0	8.3	16.7		
Religious Studies	24	8	14	2		
		33.3	58.3	8.3		
Spanish	14	8	2	3	1	
		57.1	14.3	21.4	7.1	
Sport Studies	5	1	4			
		20.0	80.0			
Technology	6	2	1	2	1	
		33.3	16.7	33.3	16.7	
Totals	364	245	84	32	2	1
%		67.3	23.0	8.9	0.6	0.3

EXAMINATION TRENDS

GCSE EXAMINATIONS 2004-2006

	% of pupils entered for 7+ GCSEs LUMEN CHRISTI	% of pupils achieving 7+ Grades A-C LUMEN CHRISTI	Northern Ireland Grammar School Average 7+ A-C
2003-2004	100	98.8	95.2
2004-2005	100	100	93.5
2005-2006	100	100	Not available

A-LEVEL EXAMINATIONS 2004-6

	% of pupils entered for 3A Levels LUMEN CHRISTI	% of pupils achieving 3 Grades A-C LUMEN CHRISTI	Northern Ireland Grammar School Av. % Achieving 3 A-C
2003-2004	100	83.7	66.1
2004-2005	100	87.1	67.9
2005-2006	100	97.3	<i>Not available</i>

Joint 1st in UK in GCSE English Literature - Eimear Bell, Ben Kelly, Aisling Maguire
 2nd Place in N. I. in GCSE Health & Social Care - Jareer Banat
 3rd Place in N.I. in GCSE History - Emmet McGinley
 3rd Place in N. I. in GCSE Biology - Conor Bradley
 Top 5 in UK in GCSE French - Laura McLaughlin
 Top 5 in UK in GCSE Religious Studies - Niamh Hargan
 Top 5 in UK in GCSE English Literature - Kevin Brown, Niamh Hargan,
 Clare McCloskey, Emmet McGinley
 Sinead McKeever, Lorcan Mullen,
 Megan Ramsey

Joint 1st Place in N.I. in A-Level ICT - Daniel McCallion
 Joint 2nd Place in N.I. in A-Level Music - Mairiosa Biddle
 3rd Place in N.I. in A-Level Irish - Caoimhin MacGiollaEaspaig
 Top 5 in UK in A-Level Biology - Jane McIvor

KEY STAGE 3 EXAMINATIONS 2003-2005

Figures in bold denote the percentage of students in Lumen Christi college achieving the level identified; the figure in brackets denotes the Northern Ireland **Grammar** Average.

KEY STAGE 3	Level 6 or above	Level 6 or above	Level 6 or above	Level 7	Level 7	Level 7	Level 8	Level 8	Level 8
	2004	2005	2006	2004	2005	2006	2004	2005	2006
English	100 (87.7.)	100 (85.7)	100 (82.6)	94.5 (44.2)	71.1 (46.2)	76.0 (41.8)	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*
Maths	100 (93.2)	100 (91.0)	100 (92.0)	58.6 (52.2)	52.0 (51.2)	63.6 (52.3)	34.4 (11.1)	39.8 (10.1)	24.0 (11.9)
Science	100 (87.7)	100 (87.4)	99.2 (83.6)	59.4 (38.7)	61.8 (42.8)	45.8 (37.9)	28.9 (7.4)	19.5 (6.9)	25.0 (8.1)

* CCEA does not award level 8 in English at Key Stage 3. Grammar averages for 2006 not yet available.

SCHOOL LEAVERS & DESTINATIONS: *No. leaving from Years 12 - 14: 123*

Secondary	University	FE/HE	Employment	Apprenticeship	Gap Year	Unemployed
9	97	4	1	1	10	1

INCOME/EXPENDITURE 2005/06

Income	2005/06	Expenditure	2005/06
	£		£
Grants from DENI	3,294,301	Teaching Staff Costs	2,353,698
Income from Other Sources	5170	Non-teaching Staff Costs	452,807
Surplus for 04/05 School Year	98,991	Operating Costs	550,111
	3,398,462		3,356,616

