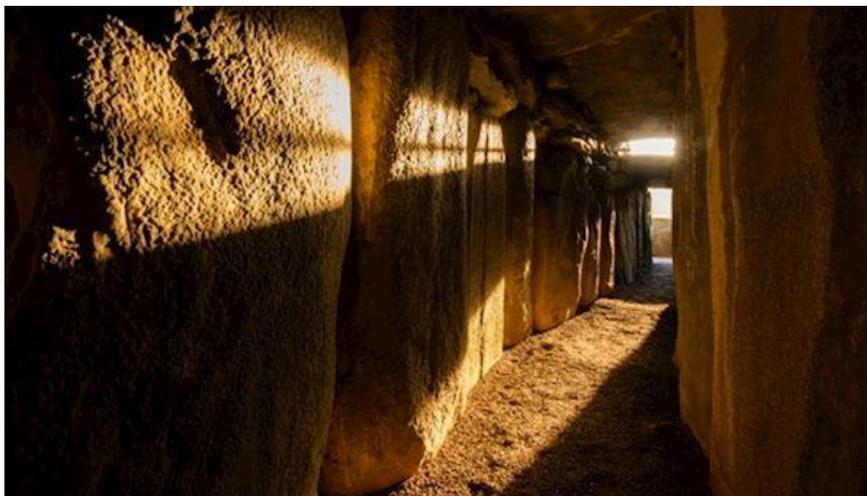


Hartstown Community School Newsletter

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The days are getting brighter



May you find peace in the promise of the solstice night,

That each day forward is blessed with light.

That the cycle of nature, unbroken and true,

Brings faith to your soul and well-being to you.

Rejoice in the darkness,

in the silence find rest,

And may the days that follow be abundantly blessed.

The Wellbeing Committee ran a fantastic competition over the past few weeks. The winner was Ryan Hughes in Poddle class who guessed there was 919 beads in the jar. He was only one number away from the total of 920.



Christmas Message

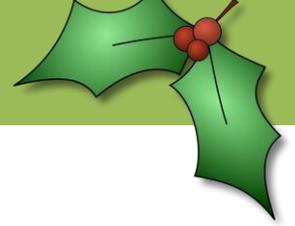
To all our school community, it has been a year of triumphs and challenges. We have faced many uphill battles some of them personal, some of them as a community. No matter what is thrown at us we will move forward into 2021 with a smile.

Thank you for your support, resilience and encouragement since September. We will continue to work together and support each other with kindness and sincerity.

Over the Christmas holidays I hope everyone gets a well-deserved rest and can spend some quality time with loved ones.

Merry Christmas to you all

Ms. Ryan



Adult Education

It brings us great joy to announce the our Adult and Community Education Center will be opening back up in January. Mr. Farrell, Ms. Sheehan and Ms. Goff have been busy making plans to reopen safely and welcome back our community. The Adult and Community Education Programme is at the heart of the community in Hartstown and provides such a valuable service to everyone. We look forward to seeing our doors open again.

Stand Up Awareness Week



Our school celebrated StandUp Awareness week this November and we celebrated in style! Each year group dressed in a different colour to represent a rainbow. Our caretaker Terry and our PE teacher Ms. Hartney put together an amazing clip of our students above. Have a look on our twitter page to see the full version.

College Awareness Week



Monday 23rd of October was the beginning of College Awareness Week. Students got involved in various activities across the week relating to the pathway to college. Our Achievement Wall outside S1 shows last years LC students and where they have decided to study. Who will be there next year?



A Carol Service with a difference - Our students and Music department put on an amazing show for the Central Remedial Clinic last week. The talent was outstanding and . Well done to everyone involved.



Architects in Schools

Cian Tarrant is an Architect, who is coming to Hartstown Community School to offer his expertise to a select group of TY students in January 2021. We have been selected to participate and are delighted to be involved in such a wonderful project that had a nationwide interest.

We opened the invitation to all TY students who might have an interest in this area. They had to apply by writing a letter of interest. Places are limited to 15.

Students will be guided by Cian, through the design process, while working on their own design project. Exploring, doing research, designing, presenting and reflecting along the way. There will be a student Handbook with a useful career and glossary sections given to those involved.

Architects in schools has an annual exhibition, which usually takes place in April. It gives students an opportunity to meet and share ideas.

Architect in Schools website

mydesignjournal.ie/students

We will keep you up to date with this project as it develops.

'Architecture is a way of seeing, thinking and questioning our world and our place in it'.

Thom Mayne, Architect





Cian Tarrant

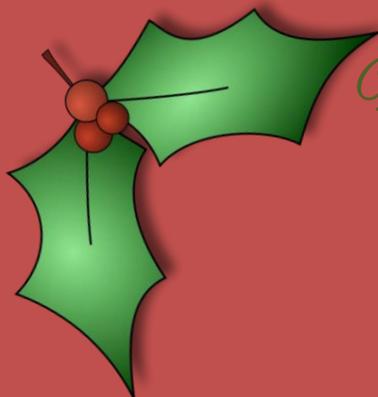
Cian is an architect from Dublin who graduated from UCD in 2015 with a masters in architecture. He has gained experience in both small and medium-sized architectural practices since then. Cian attained his professional diploma in 2017 and became a registered member of the RIAI in 2019. Cian currently works in BDP, a large international multidisciplinary building practice that employs architects, landscape architects, services, civil, and structural engineers. In the office, Cian is currently working on the redevelopment of the Galway Racecourse campus, Drogheda Civic offices and leading the design team on St. Michael's house special needs school in North county Dublin. At present, Cian is also working on a small house extension in Dundrum as a personal project. Cian has a passion for music and plays several instruments. He has recently followed up on a long-term interest and started developing designs for, and building his own furniture. He loves to spend time on the West coast of co. Clare, swimming in the Atlantic, and taking walks along the coast.

A message from our school chaplain

Remember that 2021 will bring with it a hope that we can move beyond the global pandemic that we find ourselves living in.

I will remember 2020 as the year when I was told to STAY HOME. This message has never been more important. Stay home, stay safe, look after those whom you live with. Remember that we are a resilient community in Hartstown Community School. We look after our community and we look out for all member of our community.

Rejoice and be glad, Christmas is near – Mr. Mc Groarty - Chaplain



*Wishing you a Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year*

