**Banagher College School Notes**  **Weekending 3-5-2024**

**Banagher Darkness Into Light :**

We are celebrating Ten years of DIL in Banagher this year and urge anyone who can to join us on May 11th in Banagher College to walk together in solidarity from darkness into light.

We will hold our community days in Banagher Post Office on Thursday and Friday mornings from 10am until 1pm each week .You can also register online.

**Girl’s Rugby:**

On the 14th of April Ballinasloe U16 Girls overcame a strong Westport side in the Connacht U16 Cup Final which took place in Dexcom Stadium. It was a very exciting game and the girls managed to pull away within the last 10 minutes to solidfy the victory. With a final score of 31-17. We were very fortunate to have 8 girls from Banagher College on the team. Congrats girls

**Ladies Football:**

Congratulations to TY Student Emily Corcoran and First Year Student Annie Mulhare on two great Leinster Ladies Football Championship wins with Offaly on April 20th. r the Offaly Ladies Football teams in the U-16 & U-14 Leinster Finals today Sat 20th . U-16s v Laois at 1pm in Kinnegad and U-14s v Westmeath at 12pm in Rathleague

**A Music Treat:**

Banagher College Students enjoying a Music Recital with the extremely talented baritone Bruno Caproni and concert pianist Julian Evans as part of the Birr Festival of Music

**South Leinster Athletics:**

Our First Year Boys did very well in the South Leinster Athletics Championships in SETU Carlow recently. Oisín Larkin claimed the Silver Medal for second place in the 800 metres which means that he has qualified for the upcoming Leinster Championships proper.Fellow First Year Student Diarmuid Darcy won Gold in the Under 14 Discus also. Diarmuid also won Bronze Medal in the U-14 Shot Putt.Best of luck to both boys in the upcoming Leinsters.Another First Year student who excelled last weekend was Emma Byrne from Lusmagh who won the U-14 Long Puck competition at the Banagher Community Games.

**Erasmus:**

Last week we welcomed two French teachers, Tom and Frédérique, from the Lycée Simone Veil in Marseilles to BCCNS as part of an Erasmus observation programme. They sat in on some classes and & even helped our LCA2s prepare for their upcoming French oral The TY boys kindly showed them how to play hurling

**Tours:**

After a cuple of busy weeks we welcome back all of our students who have been on school tours to Europe recently.Our TY Students travelled to Italy taking in the beauty of Venice and Verona as well as a trip to Gardaland.Our Second Years travelled to Barcelona and enjoyed scenic venues like Salou and Taragona allied with a day in Portaventura.Thanks very much to all of our teachers who gave up their free time to accompany the students on their trips abroad.