



# C.B.S. TIMES SUMMER 2015

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

As we come to the close of another school year and the school community looks forward to a well-deserved break from academic endeavour, it's appropriate to briefly reflect on what has passed in that September - June time space 2015 - 2016.

I myself have the great privilege of being appointed Principal of St. Joseph's CBS. Ms. Sarah Bradley was appointed Deputy Principal and there has also been a change in our Home School Community Liaison post with Mrs. Annette Horan taking on that important role. Together with the rest of the staff we will work diligently to continue to provide the best education standards for the boys in our care in a spirit of positive cooperation with you, parents and guardians.

The new initiative of providing Swimming Instruction in 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> classes has been very successful and we aim to continue with this again next year. Fiddle tuition for 3<sup>rd</sup> classes has followed on from the initial tin-whistle classes and was enthusiastically engaged with by the boys. It is now hoped that a number of boys will take up fiddle lessons available here in the school at a minimum cost. We also hope to continue with the free "Introduction to Fiddle" lessons with 3<sup>rd</sup> classes.

Throughout the year the many after-school clubs ran very well; homework, sports, table-tennis, chess, science, computers, parent / child science and Lego construction, to mention a few. The school rock band is rocking and really impressed at the Annual School Coffee Morning. Our Gaelic football team did us proud reaching the Louth County Final. The Chess team won the Drogheda schools competition as well as our Quiz teams also being local champions.

Fifth class boys brought the Entrepreneurs Flag to the school and the Active Schools Committee are well on the way to achieving Active School Flag status. Green School team members are halfway through their 2 year programme of achieving the Bio-Diversity Flag.

