Friday, May 30, 2008

CEIST is the new trustee body for the voluntary secondary schools of the Daughters of Charity, the Presentation Sisters, the Sisters of the Christian Retreat, the Sisters of Mercy and the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart.

Hand Over of Schools Trusteeship Complete

May 31st marks an important milestone in the history of CEIST; it marks the final handover of the schools from the Congregations to the new trust.

With the arrival of Presentation North, Sisters of the Christian Retreat, Daughters of Charity, and Missionaries of the Sacred Heart, the full complement of the 112 schools is now under the trusteeship of CEIST.

This is a significant new stage of the Congregations' journey as they hand over the exercise of trusteeship of their secondary schools to CEIST.

It is CEIST's sincere hope that the charism of the founders of the Congregations is carried on into the future with the same commitment and dedication of those who went before us.

Young Social Innovators

CEIST congratulates all of our Schools which took part in this year's Young Social Innovator projects, and especially the eight CEIST schools which won awards.





Storytellers of life and Hope - Megan McKenna

There was a tremendous response to our recent invitation to teachers from each CEIST school to attend a day of spiritual renewal with the internationally acclaimed Megan McKenna.





New CEIST Appointments

CEIST is pleased to announce the following appointments to the Faith Development Department & School Support Services Department.

It is heartening to see the extent of interest in and support for the work of CEIST.





St. Mary's Macroom Awards Night

St. Mary's Mercy Post Primary School in Macroom, Co. Cork held an awards ceremony recently and distinguished past pupil was our CEO Anne Kelleher.





Faith Development: Contact with Schools School Visits:

Over the past few months our Faith Development coordinator, Margaret Farrell, has been visiting schools in the South East and the Midlands and we are very grateful for the warm welcome extended to her in all the schools visited.





School Insurances

Thank you to all of our schools for the submission of payments for the property and equipment cover.

It is reassuring to know that we have all our schools correctly valued and adequately insured.

Please remember to keep the CEIST office informed of any changes to school property.



Opening of Coláiste Bríde, Clondalkin

Coláiste Bríde Presentatation Secondary School celebrated the offical opening of their new school building on Friday May 9th 2008.





Caritas College 40th Anniversary Celebration

On Sunday, 27th April 2008, Caritas College, Ballyfermot celebrated the 40th anniversary of its opening - 1967/8 to 2007/8 - with a wonderful ceremony at St. Matthew's Church and a reception afterwards in Caritas College.





Opening of Ard Scoil na Tríonóide

The opening of Ard Scoil na Tríonóide in Athy, Co. Kildare took place on the 18th April 2008.

This new school is the amalgamation of Scoil Eoin (Christian Brothers School) and Scoil Mhuire (Mercy School) and is under the trusteeship of CEIST.





Pres Clonmel basketball achievement

Presentation Secondary School, Clonmel reached an All Ireland Final in Basketball recently. This was quite a considerable achievement as 180 schools had entered the competition.





Eureka School Making Sporting Headlines!

Eureka Secondary School in Kells, Co. Meath received great praise in an article published in the Irish Times on the 16th April 2008.





Fraynework Multimedia Win Major Web Award

Fraynework Multimedia who design and host the CEIST website received recently the "official honoree" distinction for the 12th annual webby awards





Computer Tips

<u>Click here</u> to check out useful website for solving IT issues or gaining more knowledge in area of interest.





Send us your news!

CEIST welcomes any news items for publication at the end of each month.

If you would like to suggest a news item, publicise event, send in photos, recommend a useful link, etc, please email <u>info@ceist.ie</u>

The deadline for our next edition is Thursday 26th June 2008.

School E-Mail/Website

If any schools have changed their email or website address, please can you email jwoods@ceist.ie advising of change so we can update our records.

Don't Forget!

The CEIST conference for Principals and Deputy Principals has been fixed for Thursday 25th and Friday 26th of September in Fels Point Hotel, Tralee. The agenda for the conference will be put up on the ceist website once finalised. Click Here to view Fels Point Hotel website.

Bulk Purchasing

CEIST promoted the idea recently of our schools pooling together and buying IT equipment at a reduced cost through bulk purchasing, and we are pleased to note that it has proved helpful to the schools who are planning to purchase equipment, with a number of schools deciding to purchase equipment from quotes received.

