



Coláiste Éanna

Rathfarnham

Dublin



Coláiste Éanna's Mission

Coláiste Éanna is a Catholic Secondary School for boys in the tradition of Blessed Edmund Rice. As a community, we aim to nurture mutual respect among all members in a safe environment. The personal, social, spiritual and academic development of all is promoted. The school is committed to providing an ordered learning environment which encourages the school community to realise its full potential.





Mr. Brendan Mc Cauley
Principal

Introduction

We are humbled and proud that you are considering sending your son to Coláiste Éanna. We are very aware of how difficult it is for parents to choose a school and we are honoured to be invited to care for your son, to educate him, to provide a space for him to grow in self confidence, to make friends and to develop lifelong learning and leisure pursuits.

Coláiste Éanna is a Catholic school. It is a school rooted in Catholic values in education, and we expect nothing but excellence from ourselves as educators and demand nothing but excellence from our pupils. The Good News of the Gospel and the celebration of the sacraments forms and informs how we treat all, believers and non believers alike, within our school community.



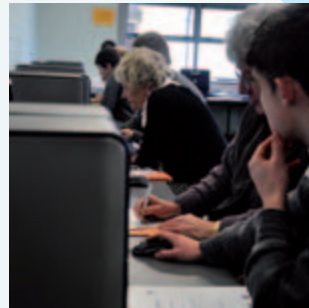
I have fond memories of my days in Coláiste Éanna. I continue to meet Past Pupils all around the world and we reminisce about the good times. It always amazes me how successful and how diverse their careers are.

Padraig Harrington (Class of 1989) Professional Golfer

I remember my time in Coláiste Éanna with great affection. What I learned there, and how it prepared me for life, went far beyond the academic.

Ian Drennan (Class of 1990)

CEO, Office of the Directorate of Corporate Enforcement



Coláiste Éanna has its roots in three great traditions which form our ethos

Edmund Rice, who set up his first school in 1802, sought to educate the minds of the young but also to assist with their welfare and spiritual development.

Naomh Éanna, who set up one of the first monastic settlements in c. 570AD on Inis Mór, Aran Islands, inspired Irish monks to spread faith and scholarship throughout Europe.

Padraig Pearse, who established Scoil Éanna on a nearby campus in 1910, believed in a radically new, holistic approach to education.

Our school is under the Trusteeship of the Edmund Rice Schools Trust and we are inspired and encouraged by the key elements in the Trust Charter:

- Nurturing faith, Christian spirituality and Gospel-based values;
- Promoting partnership;
- Excelling in teaching and learning;
- Creating a caring school community;
- Inspiring transformational leadership.

Teaching and Learning

Our teachers inspire. They are all graduates in their own disciplines and prepare our pupils for success in the State Examinations but they also seek to assist the boys to become critical thinkers, to be self learners and to quest for the truth. Our teachers are guided by the ethos of Coláiste Éanna. They offer opportunities which challenge pupils to question the status quo, to look beyond the banal and to seek for justice.

Our teachers are passionate about their subjects and are excited about the learning process.

All subjects are taught through the medium of English.

The subjects we offer are as follows:

Junior Certificate Subjects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Irish ■ English ■ Mathematics ■ Religious Education ■ Physical Education ■ Science ■ Business 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ History ■ Geography ■ Spanish or French ■ Art or Technical Graphics or Woodwork or Music ■ Civic, Social and Political Education ■ Social, Personal, Health Education
Leaving Certificate Subjects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Irish ■ English ■ Mathematics ■ Religious Education ■ Physical Education ■ Chemistry ■ Physics ■ Biology ■ Accounting ■ Economics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Business ■ History ■ Geography ■ Spanish ■ French ■ Design Communications Graphics ■ Construction Studies ■ Music ■ Art
Transition Year Subjects/ Modules (Transition Year is optional)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Irish ■ English ■ Maths ■ Religious Education ■ Physical Education ■ French or Spanish ■ Chemistry ■ Physics ■ Biology <p>Modules</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Legal Studies ■ Nutrition ■ Horticulture ■ Industrial Relations ■ Home Economics ■ Philosophy ■ Psychology ■ Classical Studies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Accounting ■ Economics ■ Business ■ History ■ Geography ■ Design Communications Graphics ■ Construction Studies ■ Music ■ Art <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Bridge ■ Self Defence ■ Outdoor pursuits ■ Work and Community ■ Care Experience ■ Work Experience ■ Community Care
Guidance Counsellor	Coláiste Éanna has a full time Guidance Counsellor who advises on subject choice, University and College applications and offers counselling to students facing emotional difficulties or crisis.	

Coláiste Éanna provided me with a well-rounded and grounded education as well as lifelong friendships. I owe a great deal to the school for preparing me for the road ahead and for supporting and believing in the work I am now doing with The Umbrella Foundation.

**Conor Fox (Class of 2004) Managing Director
The Umbrella Foundation for homeless children, Nepal**



The Boys

Coláiste Éanna is rooted in the parish and community of Ballyroan. Many of our boys come from the local area and their families are active members of that community.

A Coláiste Éanna boy is courteous, friendly, open and anxious to do well in his studies, in his sports and leisure activities. He is encouraged to be gentle in his dealing with others.

For some, the teenage years can be a challenge as they negotiate their way to adulthood. Here in Coláiste Éanna, we have the collective wisdom of many years journeying with young men as they move towards maturity.

We set boundaries which offer boys security, we negotiate where appropriate and we always seek to accentuate the positive.

Anti-bullying Team

The anti-bullying team centres around the 'three Rs', to Recognize, to Reject and to Report bullying.

Starting with our first years and re-enforcing the message in each year group, our anti-bullying team create a culture whereby boys **Recognise** bullying behavior and the harm it does. The boys **Reject** this behavior and commit to **Report** inappropriate conduct in the future



The team is adamant that there are always three people involved in bullying – the perpetrator, the boy at the receiving end of this behaviour and the bystander. The role of the bystander is essential to the success of our programme.

PACÉ – Positive Attitude Coláiste Éanna

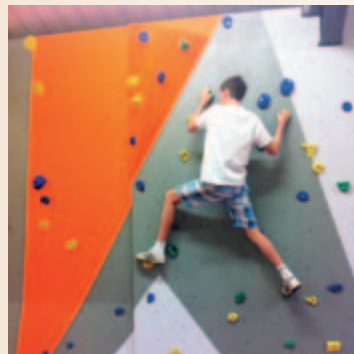
PACÉ exists to create a positive attitude to work and mutual respect in Coláiste Éanna. The PACÉ Awards are presented to students and classes of the month who have achieved the highest credits for their attitude to and performance of their school work.

Pastoral Care Team

Our Pastoral Care Team, consisting of the Principal, Deputy Principal, School Counsellor, Anti-bullying Coordinator and Year Heads meet each week to consider any student who we feel is vulnerable or in crisis. This team works closely with the Class Tutors who meet with their Tutor group each morning.

Coláiste Éanna – In some ways I remember it more a like a family than a school – always inclusive, caring, and supportive. It has a culture of enablement, a very positive place. I came out of it far more confident than when I went in. An excellent place to start out from.

George Lee (Class of 1980) Economist



Co-curricular Activities

We believe in developing the whole person. Most schools do. However we actively seek to deliver on this aspiration. It is in co-curricular activities one learns about leadership, accepting victory with magnanimity, being gracious in defeat, making great friends and creating many memories.

We have a very strong tradition of fielding successful Gaelic Football, Hurling, Basketball and Table Tennis teams at all levels. This is evidenced by a burgeoning trophy cabinet crammed with county, provincial and national honours and a passion among the boys and their mentors and coaches to maintain and build on this success. Soccer is a relatively new sport to the school and our soccer teams have enjoyed significant success to date. Our corridors are lined with mementoes of Past Pupils who achieved international golfing success and each year we compete in the Schools Competitions in conjunction with our neighbouring Golf Clubs. Athletics is a year round activity which attracts a large following and our athletes in both track and field also enjoy great success

Our chess teams meet daily to play for fun and also take part in many keenly contested inter-school arenas. Our music ensemble and choir perform at various liturgical services and also just for enjoyment. The Drama Society is committed to staging one significant theatrical performance each year and has reached standards that would rival any professional theatre company. Debating and public speaking are also very popular and our award winning debating teams engage with local schools and in several national competitions. In May, we mark Blessed Edmund's feast day with the Edmund Rice Concert which is an event at which the entire school comes together to share their talent.

Every two years boys from our Transition and Fifth Years take part in the Edmund Rice Schools' Trust World Immersion Programme. Our traditional destination is Kolkata in India where we have established links with the Christian Brothers schools there and the Children's Rights Development Service, a registered charity, who run street schools for poor children, and which is strongly supported by Past Pupils of Coláiste Éanna.

I have great memories of my time in Coláiste Éanna. I am still friends with many former pupils 33 years later! I am very proud of my origins. I appreciate the quality of education and the encouragement to achieve that I received there

Professor Ciaran Bolger (Class of 1980)
Neurosurgeon, Beaumont Hospital



Partnership and Collaboration

Parents Association

The Coláiste Éanna Parents Association is a vital, vibrant and enthusiastic feature of school life. The Parents Association meets monthly and offer an important means of communication and consensus between the parent body and the school management. They are a great advocate and critical support for the school as they embark on regular fund raising activities and host several significant receptions in the school.

Past Pupils

Coláiste Éanna's past pupils are well represented in all the professions and many have reached prominence in Irish society and elsewhere. The upper echelons of Irish and international commercial, professional, administrative and athletic communities are laced with past pupils of the school.

Local Parish

The Church of the Holy Spirit is within walking distance of the campus and we have very close links with the parish. Our school gathers in church for prayer at the November Memorial Service, the Carol Service and celebrations of the Mass. Many of our pupils are involved in charitable activities in the parish.

My memories of my years at Coláiste Éanna are really positive and happy ones.

I would say that one of my great life lessons from my time at Coláiste Éanna is that each and every one of us all have different talents. When a person's talent is matched with determination and hard work, great things can be achieved. Simple but true. I also believe the school reinforced the values I was receiving from my parents at home.

Brian Ruane (Class of 1982)
CEO, BNY Mellon Bank, Wall St., New York





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