



The Abbey

Christian Brothers' Grammar School



School Prizegiving

2007

Thursday 18th October



Technology success January 2007



West Side Story – October 2006



Zambia Immersion Project March 2007



Top GCSE candidates August 2007

Headmaster's Welcome



On behalf of the Board of Governors and the entire Abbey community I would like to welcome you all to this evening's Prize Giving Ceremony. Tonight for the first time we are honouring both academic and non academic achievements on the same occasion.

I would like to begin with a special word of congratulations to the students who we honour tonight in the categories of Best in Class, Most Improved in Class, Best in Year, Best in Subject at GCSE and Top GCSE Students. Congratulations also to those students whose achievements have enriched the previous academic year in areas such as sport, music, drama and many others.

I have great pleasure in welcoming back to his Alma Mater our distinguished guest speaker Mr Benedict Amobi. Mr Amobi was a pupil in the Abbey between 1968 and 1971 and has since gone on to lead a hugely interesting career in the field of International Diplomacy. This has led him to travel extensively and we are honoured that he has accepted our invitation to return to the Abbey tonight.

At the same time as congratulating our pupils, I would like to pay particular tribute to you the parents for the work that you have done over the years and in particular for the enthusiastic and continued support that you offer the school.

Lastly, on behalf of myself and the Board of Governors I would like to express our appreciation for the efforts of our dedicated staff who work so enthusiastically with your sons in enhancing all aspects of their education.

In conclusion, I hope that you all enjoy the presentations tonight and I invite you to join us for light refreshments in the school canteen at the end of the evening.

Mr Dermot McGovern

Headmaster

Order of Events

Introduction and Welcome	Mr. R Ruddy
Musical Recital	Abbey Musical Group
Director	Miss A. Mullan (Head of Music Department).
Student Address	Vincent O'Rourke
Headmaster's Address	
Guest Speaker	
Presentation Ceremonies	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Best in Class Awards2. Most Improved in Class3. Best in Year4. Key Stage 3 Awards5. School Awards6. Best in Subject Awards – G.C.S.E.7. Grade A passes - G.C.S.E.8. Best in School Award – G.C.S.E.
Headmaster's Presentation	

Platform Party

Mr. D McGovern	Headmaster
Mr. B Amobi	Guest Speaker
Rev. Br. J O'Mahony	Superior – Abbey Christian Brothers' Community
Mr. A Morgan	Board of Governors
Mrs. K McAlinden	Board of Governors
Mr. G Patterson	Board of Governors
Mr. M Grogan	Year Tutor
Mr J Smyth	Head of Drama
Mr. V O'Rourke	Student Council
Mr. D Markey	Student Council
Mr. R Ruddy	Vice Principal

Guest Speaker: Mr. Benedict Onochie Amobi



Mr. Benedict Onochie Amobi was born in Nigeria in 1955. He moved to Ireland in 1968 and was a pupil at the Abbey CBS between 1968 and 1971. He returned to Nigeria where he studied at the University of Ibadan between 1974 and 1978, graduating with a degree in Political Science specializing in International Relations.

He began work in 1979 in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Nigeria as a Career Diplomat embarking on a career of extensive travel. His working life has brought him to many parts of the globe including Europe, Africa, Ottawa, Canada, Pyongyang, North Korea and Beijing, China. Throughout his career he has also returned to the Headquarters of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Nigeria to work and it was from Abuja, Nigeria where he served as the Deputy Chief of Protocol of the Foreign Ministry, that he moved to Ireland in February of this year.

His current post is as Chargé d'Affaires at the Nigerian Embassy, Dublin.

Benedict is married with five children and counts swimming, reading and working out in the gym among his hobbies. It is with great pleasure that we welcome back a much travelled past pupil tonight.

Abbey Christian Brothers' Grammar School Staff 2007 - 2008



Mr P O'Shea
Vice Principal



Mr Dermot McGovern
Headmaster



Mr R Ruddy
Vice Principal



Mr K Brady
Senior Master



Mr J Rath
Senior Master



Dr J McCavitt
Senior Master



Mr D Wadsworth
Senior Master



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Mrs J McDonald
Teaching Staff



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Teaching Staff



Mr T Mooney
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Mrs M McEvoy
Teaching Staff



Mrs D Simpson
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Mrs B Tohill
Teaching Staff



Mr B Hamill
Teaching Staff



Mrs L McKeever
Teaching Staff



Mrs C McGrath
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Mrs A Elmore
Teaching Staff



Mr M Grogan
Teaching Staff



Mrs O McGinley
Teaching Staff



Mr J Smyth
Teaching Staff



Mr G Morgan
Teaching Staff



Miss M Quinn
Teaching Staff



Mr G Savage
Teaching Staff



Mr D Tennyson
Teaching Staff



Mr C Gamble
Teaching Staff



Mr M Rodgers
Teaching Staff



Miss D Mulgrew
Teaching Staff



Mrs J McGivern
Teaching Staff



Mr S Gallagher
Teaching Staff



Mrs G Boyd
Teaching Staff



Miss A Reynolds
Teaching Staff



Mr R McMahon
Teaching Staff



Miss P McAleese
Teaching Staff



Mrs P McClean
Teaching Staff



Miss A Mullan
Teaching Staff



Mr D Evans
Teaching Staff



Mr J Gormley
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Miss K Murphy
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Mr K Smith
Teaching Staff



Mrs T Fearon
Teaching Staff



Ms O Hughes
Teaching Staff



Miss M McElroy
Teaching Staff



Ms F McElvanna
Teaching Staff



Mr E McGivern
Teaching Staff



Mr D Gordon
Teaching Staff



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Student Placement



Mr P Garcia
Spanish Assistant



Mr M Berthet
French Assistant



Mr M McKeivitt
Irish Assistant



Mrs C McAvoy
Bursar



Mr K Higgins
Study Hall Supervisor



Mrs M Rafferty
Administration



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Administration



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Administration



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Administration



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Mrs J Jackson
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Miss D Healy
Care Assistant



Mrs R McGinn
Care Assistant



Mrs A McCoy
Care Assistant



Mrs A Breen
Mallon
Care Assistant



Mrs B Doran
Canteen Staff



Mrs S Goodwill
Canteen Staff



Mrs M McGivern
Canteen Staff



Mrs B Mallon
Canteen Staff



Ms S McMillan
Canteen Staff



Miss M Biesiada
Canteen Staff



Mrs L Pentony
Canteen Staff



Mrs L Rice
Murray
Cook



Ms C Bennett
Assistant Cook



Miss S Dougan
Cleaning Staff



Miss L Mackin
Cleaning Staff



Miss E Harte
Cleaning Staff



Mr D Stack
Cleaning Staff



Mr W McCullough
Caretaking Staff



Mr P Daly
Caretaking Staff

Special Academic Achievements

Best in Class Award 2006-2007

These awards are presented to those students who achieved the best overall results in their class. These results are determined from the internal house examinations of June 2007.

First Year

Breffni Cailum Finnegan
 Donard Joseph Reynolds
 Iveagh Matthew Kinsella
 Oriel Paul McKeever
 Slemish Aaron Beattie

Third Year

Breffni Garbhan McKeivitt
 Donard James Dickson
 Dean Carolan
 Iveagh Lui Hua Jian
 Oriel James O’Gorman
 Slemish Ryan Walsh

Second Year

Breffni Connor Hogan
 Donard Michael Haddad
 Michael McKay
 Iveagh Sean Rooney
 Oriel Ryan Brockwell
 Slemish Stephen Grant

Fourth Year

SIA John Benedict Farrell
 SIB Patrick Gallogly
 S1C Turlough Tinnelly
 S1D Jack Gilsean
 S1E Killian Feehan

Most Improved in Class 2006-2007

These awards are presented following nominations by Form Teachers for having made the greatest improvement during the last academic year

First Year

Breffni Martin Mathers
 Donard Adam O’Rourke
 Iveagh Gary Turley
 Oriel Mark McShane
 Slemish Shea Leonard

Third Year

Breffni Conor Carroll
 Donard Dan Madden
 Iveagh Conor T O’Neill
 Oriel Christopher Fearon
 Slemish James Campbell

Second Year

Breffni Gavin McAteer
 Donard John Cosgrove
 Iveagh Rory O’Flaherty
 Oriel Ryan McCorry
 Slemish Shane McKeever

Fourth Year

SIA Cathal McNally
 SIB Eoghan O’ Brien
 S1C Liam McGlade
 S1D Christopher Quinn
 S1E Niall Murchan

Best in Year

This award is presented to the student who achieved the highest overall grades in the Abbey Christian Brothers’ Grammar School in the summer examinations of June 2007.

1ST YEAR Aaron Beattie
 2ND YEAR Sean Rooney

3RD YEAR Ryan Walsh
 4TH YEAR John Benedict Farrell

Best in Key Stage 3

These awards are presented to the students who achieved the highest overall marks in the Key Stage 3 examinations of June 2007

Best in Key Stage 3 Maths: Daniel McCullagh & Garbhan McKeivitt
 Best in Key Stage 3 English: Garbhan McKeivitt

Special Academic Achievements

School Awards

Art	Paul McAleenan	Young Enterprise	Padraig Poland Sean Kearney
Drama	Conal O’Hare Daniel Sutherland	Zambia	Conor Bell
Music	Niall O’Flaherty Ronan Kearney Niall Burke	Science & Technology	Adam Magill Matthew McCartney Patrick Burns
Irish	Cathal MacDhaibheid Ross Flynn Shane McKeever Michael Fallon	Contribution to Abbey	1st yr Shane McCormack 2nd yr Shane McKeever 3rd yr Stephen Doherty 4th yr Niall Burke 5th yr Conal O’Hare 6th yr Vincent O’Rourke
Athletics	Niall O’Flaherty		
Rugby	Gary O’Hare	Special Award	Yang Ze Ciaran Bradley Laurence McGivern
Golf	Jack Gilsean		
English	Daniel Sutherland Ronan Mc Donald Garbhan McKeivitt Ryan Brockwell		

Best in Subject G.C.S.E. – June 2007

These awards are presented to those students who received the highest overall mark in each individual G.C.S.E. subject in June 2007.

Michael Doherty	Additional Maths Geography Double Award Science Technology	Declan Magee	Irish Music
		Lorcan Daly	Art and Design
Conal O’Hare	Business Studies English Literature Religious Education	David Fitzpatrick	Chemistry
		Thomas Finnegan	Drama
Cathal MacDhaibheid	English Language History Spanish	Christopher Cunningham	French
		Niall Duffy & Oliver Hearty	Mathematics
Christopher McAteer	Biology Physics	Cormac Markey	ICT
		Eugene McVerry	PE

Special Academic Achievements

9 GCSE A Grade Passes 2006-2007

These awards are presented to those students who achieved a very high standard of academic performance in obtaining at least 9 Grade A*/A passes in their GCSE examinations in June 2007

Francis Agnew

Fergal Boyle

10 GCSE A Grade Passes 2006-2007

These awards are presented to those students who achieved a very high standard of academic performance in obtaining at least 10 Grade A*/A passes in their GCSE examinations in June 2007

Deaglan Brady

Cormac Markey

Michael Campbell

Liam McGahon

Christopher Cunningham

Michael McVerry

David Cunningham

Conal O'Hare

David Digney

Mark Rafferty

Michael Doherty

Daniel Sutherland

Declan Magee

11 GCSE A Grade Passes 2006-2007

These awards are presented to those students who achieved a very high standard of academic performance in obtaining at least 11 Grade A*/A passes in their GCSE examinations in June 2007

Cathal MacDhaibheid

Michael Lynch

David Fitzpatrick

Christopher McAteer

Best in School GCSE 2006 – 2007

This award is presented to the student who achieved the highest overall grades in the Abbey Christian Brothers' Grammar School in the GCSE examinations of June 2007.

Cathal MacDhaibheid

G.C.S.E. Certificates 2006 – 2007

The following pupils have received the certificates for their GCSE examinations in school.

Surname	Forename	School	Surname	Forename	School
AGNEW	Francis	Jonesborough P.S.	MARRON	Cathal	Killean P.S.
ALI	Kameil	Windsor Hill P.S.	McALINDEN	Michael	Killowen P.S.
BARR	Rory	St.Patrick's P.S. Mayobridge	McARDLE	Gerard	Dromintee P.S.
BEGLEY	Gerard	Dromintee P.S.	McARDLE	Martin	St.Ronan's Primary School
BOGUES	Jonathan	St.Patrick's P.S. Newry	McATEER	Christopher	St.Ronan's Primary School
BOYLAN	Conor	Carrick P.S.	McATEER	Eugene	Carrick P.S.
BOYLE	Fergal	St.Colman's Abbey P.S.	McATEER	John	St.Ronan's Primary School
BOYLE	Oliver	St.Malachy's P.S. Camlough	McATEER	Kevin	Ballyholland P.S.
BRADY	Deaglan	St.Mary's P.S. Rostrevor	McATEER	Niall	St.Malachy's P.S. Carnagat
BROGAN	Anthony	St.Patrick's P.S.Hilltown	McCLOREY	Kevin	St.Patrick's P.S. Mayobridge
BURNS	David	Carrick P.S.	McCOURT	Ronan	St.Ronan's Primary School
BYRNE	Oliver	St.Mary's P.S. Barr	McCRACKEN	David	St.Malachy's P.S. Carnagat
BYRNE	Stephen	St.Ronan's Primary School	McGAHON	Liam	Dromintee P.S.
CAMPBELL	Ethan	Cloughoge P.S.	McGENNITY	Patrick	Cloughoge P.S.
CAMPBELL	Michael	St.Oliver Plunkett Carrickrovaddy	McGOWN	Cathal	St.Patrick's P.S. Drumgreenagh
CARR	Christy	St.Dallan's Primary School	McGOVERN	David	St.Colman's Abbey P.S.
CARR	Kevin	St.Mary's P.S. Barr	McGUINNESS	Brendan	St.Ronan's Primary School
CLARKE	Conor	Cloughoge P.S.	McKNIGHT	Christopher	Cloughoge P.S.
CLARKE	Daniel	Killowen P.S.	McMANUS	Sean	St.Joseph's High School
CONLON	Andrew	St.Patrick's P.S. Cullyhanna	McNALLY	Lee	St.Dallan's Primary School
CUNNINGHAM	Christopher	St.Ronan's Primary School	McNAMEE	Shane	St.Patrick's P.S. Mayobridge
CUNNINGHAM	David	Carrick P.S.	McNULTY	Eamon	St.Mary's P.S. Barr
CUNNINGHAM	Ryan	St.Malachy's P.S. Carnagat	McPARLAND	Damian	St.Mary's P.S. Barr
CUNNINGHAM	Stephen	St.Colman's Abbey P.S.	McSHANE	Cahal	St.Mary's P.S. Mullaghbawn
CURRAN	Padraig	St.Oliver Plunkett Carrickrovaddy	McVERRY	Eugene	St.Malachy's P.S. Camlough
DALY	Donal	St.Malachy's P.S. Carnagat	McVERRY	Michael	St.Mary's P.S. Mullaghbawn
DALY	Lorcan	St.Ronan's Primary School	MORGAN	Donal	St.Peter's P.S. Bessbrook
DEVLIN	Niall	Cloughoge P.S.	MORGAN	Michael	St.Malachy's P.S. Kilcoo
DIGNEY	David	St.Ronan's Primary School	MULLAN	Stephen	Cloughoge P.S.
DOHERTY	Michael	Jonesborough P.S.	MURCHAN	Jonathan	St.Mary's P.S. Rostrevor
DONNELLY	Sean	St.Patrick's P.S. Cullyhanna	MURPHY	Eoin	Holy Cross P.S.
DOWNEY	Christopher	St.Joseph's P.S. Meigh	MURPHY	Feargal	Dromintee P.S.
DUGGAN	Christopher	St.Ronan's Primary School	MURPHY	James	St.Patrick's P.S. Cullyhanna
DULLAGHAN	Darren	St.Joseph's P.S. Meigh	MURTAGH	Mark	St.Mark's High School
FARRELL	Brian	St.Ronan's Primary School	O'BRIEN	Peter	St.Malachy's P.S. Camlough
FARRELL-LIDDY	Craig	St.Patrick's P.S. Crossmaglen	O'BRIEN	Rory	St.Mary's P.S. Barr
FEGAN	Rory	St.Colman's Abbey P.S.	O'CALLAGHAN	Patrick (Jack)	St.Colman's Abbey P.S.
FINNEGAN	Thomas	St.Peter's P.S. Bessbrook	O'DONNELL	Niall	St.John Bosco Dublin
FITZPATRICK	David	Carrick P.S.	O'FLAHERTY	Niall	St.Colman's Abbey P.S.
FOX	Conor	St.Ronan's Primary School	O'GRADY	Cathal	St.Joseph's P.S. Bessbrook
FOX	David	St.Joseph's High School	O'HAGAN	Thomas	Jonesborough P.S.
FOX	Niall	St.Ronan's Primary School	O'HARE	Conal	Jonesborough P.S.
GOLLOGLY	Ciaran	Killean P.S.	O'HARE	Darren	Ballyholland P.S.
GRAY	Myles	Jonesborough P.S.	O'HARE	David	Carrick P.S.
GRAY	Nathan	St.Dallan's Primary School	O'HARE	Jerome	St.Malachy's P.S. Kilcoo
GREENAN	Patrick	St.Paul's P.S. Ballykeel	O'HARE	Peter	St.Colman's Abbey P.S.
HALE	Edward	Carrick P.S.	O'HARE	Shane	Jonesborough P.S.
HARTE	Christopher	Jonesborough P.S.	O'REILLY	Richard	Campbell College
HEANEY	Karl	St.Colman's Abbey P.S.	PRICE	Christopher	Carrick P.S.
HILLEN-KEENE	Alexander	Bunscoil An Iuir	PRICE	Declan	Carrick P.S.
HUGHES	Conor	St.Dallan's Primary School	RAFFERTY	Cormac	Dromintee P.S.
HUGHES	Daniel	St.Malachy's P.S. Carnagat	RAFFERTY	Jonathan	Carrick P.S.
KEALEY	Dominic	St.Oliver Plunkett Carrickrovaddy	RAFFERTY	Mark	St.Dallan's Primary School
KEARNEY	Christopher	St.Malachy's P.S. Camlough	REEL	Christopher	St.Joseph's H.S. Crossmaglen
KEENAN	Daniel	Carrick P.S.	REYNOLDS	Benjamin	Killowen P.S.
KEENAN	Neil	St.Colman's Abbey P.S.	RICE	Owen	Jonesborough P.S.
KEHOE	Christopher	St.Ronan's Primary School	RODGERS	Jonathan	Cloughoge P.S.
KIRK	David	Cloughoge P.S.	ROONEY	Cathal	St.Dallan's Primary School
LIVELY	Ronan	St.Patrick's P.S. Mayobridge	SAVAGE	Conor	St.Colman's Abbey P.S.
LONERGAN	Sean	Cloughoge P.S.	SLEVIN	Aidan	Carrick P.S.
LYNCH	Michael	Dromintee P.S.	SLOAN	Eamon	St.Malachy's P.S. Kilcoo
LYNCHEHAUN	Kealan	St.Patrick's P.S. Mayobridge	SUTHERLAND	Daniel	Carrick P.S.
MACDHAIBHEID	Cathal	Bunscoil An Iuir	TONER	Paul	St.Patrick's P.S. Mayobridge
MACKAY	Keith	Carrick P.S.	WHITE	Robert	Ballyholland P.S.
MAGEE	Declan	St.Patrick's P.S. Mayobridge	YANG	Ze	First High School of Wen County
MALLON	Paul	St.Peter's P.S. Bessbrook			
MARKEY	Cormac	St.Mary's P.S. Rostrevor			
MARKEY	Stephen	St.Dallan's Primary School			



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