



OUR LADY OF MERCY COLLEGE
— BEAUMONT, DUBLIN —

Summer *News 2026*

REST • RECHARGE • ENJOY

Wishing all students, staff, parents and guardians
a safe, restful and enjoyable summer break.

Thank you for your support, kindness and commitment
throughout the school year.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back refreshed
for the new academic year.



FAITH



COMPASSION



EXCELLENCE



RESPECT

WELCOME TO OUR SUMMER NEWS

We have had a fantastic year at Our Lady of Mercy College, and we are delighted to share some of the many memorable moments from across our school community.

A sincere thank you to all our students and staff for their wonderful contributions throughout the year. Your hard work, enthusiasm and dedication never go unnoticed.

MERCY BEAUMONT

The graphic features a central grid of movie and musical posters. To the left of the grid is a vertical list of genres. To the right are large, colorful musical notes. At the bottom, the text 'MOVIES & MUSICALS' is written in a bubbly font, with a power cord and plug extending from it. A clapperboard on the left indicates the date '25th MARCH'.

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25th MARCH

MOVIES & MUSICALS

We wish all members of our school community a happy, restful and enjoyable summer break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in August.

TRANSITION YEAR MUSICAL

Heartfelt congratulations to our talented Transition Year students, whose dedication, creativity and hard work brought this year's musical production to life.

Their collaborative spirit was truly inspiring, both onstage and behind the scenes. The Transition Year Class of 2026 deserves tremendous applause for delivering three outstanding performances on 24th, 25th and 26th March.

Congratulations to everyone involved in making the production such a wonderful success.



CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE

NATIONAL AWARD IN THE TEXACO CHILDREN'S ART COMPETITION

We are delighted to announce that Second-Year student Silke Semmler Marin has once again received a National Award in the prestigious Texaco Children's Art Competition, taking home a Special Category Award.

This is a remarkable achievement. Last year, Silke's artwork was also selected from among the winning entries for inclusion in the National Calendar—an honour in itself.

This marks the third consecutive year in which sisters from the Semmler Marin family have placed in the competition. It is an extraordinary testament to their talent, dedication and commitment to their artistic practice.

Congratulations, Silke. We could not be prouder!



STUDENT ENTERPRISE TEAM REACHES ALL-IRELAND FINAL

Our Transition Year students Alana Mulcahy, Julia Flood and Ruby Moore proudly represented our school with their product, Glow and Grow, at the All-Ireland Final of the Student Enterprise Programme.

The students demonstrated outstanding creativity, entrepreneurial spirit and dedication while developing their growth-and-repair hair oil from the initial idea in September through to the national final.

Their hard work and commitment brought them to this exciting stage, and we are incredibly proud of everything they achieved.

Special thanks to **Ms Imelda Taylor** and **Mr Rodin Ozalp** for all their incredible work with the group.

Congratulations to Alana, Julia and Ruby!



AWARDS DAY 2026

Celebrating Excellence, Celebrating You!

During our Awards Day, we celebrated the hard work, dedication and many achievements of our students.

Every award presented recognised effort, curiosity, perseverance and personal progress. From outstanding academic achievement to students who challenged themselves and exceeded their own expectations, each recipient gave us a reason to be proud.

Congratulations to all our award recipients. Your achievements are only the beginning of the many successes still to come.



EXAMINATION ACHIEVEMENTS

JUNIOR CYCLE AND LEAVING CERTIFICATE AWARDS 2025

We were delighted to recognise the remarkable achievement of Alana Stasiunytė Mulcahy, who received nine distinctions in the 2025 Junior Cycle examinations.

Nine distinctions represent an exceptional accomplishment and reflect Alana's ability, dedication and unwavering commitment to excellence. We could not be prouder of her.

We were equally delighted to celebrate three of our 2025 Leaving Certificate students: Sumaiya Amir, Kamilia Pastere and Ela Isik, each of whom achieved more than 500 points.

This outstanding achievement was the result of years of hard work, focus and quiet determination. Congratulations to all four students.

The awards were presented by Professor Michael J. A. Turner. Kamilia was unable to attend the presentation.



CULTURAL DAY COMMUNITY AND CULTURE

Cultural Day 2026

On 24 April, we celebrated Cultural Day at Our Lady of Mercy College.

Students came together to share their heritage through traditional dance, music, presentations and delicious homemade dishes. Parents, students and staff had the opportunity to explore the traditions of many different countries and enjoy a wonderful variety of food.

We sincerely thank all the students who proudly presented their cultures, along with the staff and families who helped make the day such a success.

Special thanks to Ms Meg Offiah for organising this wonderful celebration, with the assistance of staff and students.

Many Cultures, One Community



DAFFODIL DAY

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Members of our Student Council volunteered in support of the Irish Cancer Society's Daffodil Day, collecting donations at Northside Shopping Centre.

The students were an absolute credit to the school and represented Our Lady of Mercy College beautifully.

A special thank you to **Jasmine, Pixie, Lily, Amber, Evelina, Olivia, Klaudia and Lucy** for volunteering and supporting this important Cause.

Many thanks also to **Ms Keaney** for her incredible work in organising the day.



SPORTS DAY

SPORT AND WELLBEING

Sports Day 2026

Our school Sports Day was filled with energy, teamwork, determination and plenty of smiles as students got involved and gave every activity their best effort.

From races and relays to fun activities and team challenges, it was fantastic to see students participating, supporting one another and enjoying the day together.

A huge well done to all our students for their enthusiasm, and sincere thanks to our PE Department for planning such an enjoyable and successful day.



SOCCER BLITZ

JUNIOR AND SENIOR SOCCER BLITZ

A huge well done to everyone who played, supported and helped make our Junior and Senior Soccer Blitz such a success.

There were plenty of goals, smiles and team spirit throughout the day. It was wonderful to see so many students getting involved and encouraging one another.

Thank you to everyone who helped organise and support the event.



LEADERSHIP AND CITIZENSHIP

EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AMBASSADOR SCHOOL AWARDS

Eleven Transition Year students proudly represented their year group at the 10th Annual European Parliament Ambassador School Awards in Europe House.

The students posed insightful questions to Dublin MEPs **Barry Andrews, Lynn Boylan, Regina Doherty and Aodhán Ó Ríordán**. They also presented their European Studies work to students and staff from other participating schools.

This year marked the tenth anniversary of the European Parliament Ambassador School Programme. We are proud that Our Lady of Mercy College has been a European Parliament Ambassador School since the programme was launched in 2016.

Well done to all eleven students who represented our school so admirably.

Special thanks to **Ms Christina Doherty** for all her work and support.



HEAD GIRL AND DEPUTY HEAD GIRL

We are delighted to announce that Lily Maguire has been appointed as our new Head Girl and Pearl Arzaga as our new Deputy Head Girl.

Lily and Pearl are outstanding young women who embody the values of our school community through their leadership, kindness and dedication.

We have no doubt that they will be excellent role models and representatives of Our Lady of Mercy College.

We wish **Lily and Pearl** every success in their new roles and a wonderful year ahead. We are very proud of you both!



TRIPS AND EXPERIENCES

EMERALD PARK

Our Second and Fifth Year students enjoyed a fantastic, action-packed day at Emerald Park.

Fearless as ever, they took on the rollercoasters, explored the zoo and made the most of a wonderful day together.



TRANSITION YEAR VISIT TO CROKE PARK

Our Transition Year students visited Croke Park for a museum and Skyline tour.

They enjoyed learning about the history of the GAA and taking in the impressive views of Dublin from the rooftop walkway.

It was an enjoyable and memorable experience for everyone involved.



ITALY SCHOOL TOUR

SCHOOL TOUR TO ITALY

Our students had a wonderful time on their school tour to Italy.

They explored beautiful **Sirmione**, enjoyed the sunshine during a boat trip and visited the historic city of **Venice**, taking in its iconic sights and unforgettable views.

The group also spent time at **Lake Garda**, making memories that will last long after the journey home.

Special thanks to **Ms Ciara Howard** for organising the trip and to all the staff who accompanied the students.



SIXTH-YEAR GRADUATION

We recently celebrated the graduation of our Sixth-Year students.

It was a wonderful occasion filled with beautiful singing, inspirational reflections and prayer. It gave our school community an opportunity to celebrate the students' achievements, friendships and personal growth throughout their time at Our Lady of Mercy College.

We wish all our Sixth-Year students every success and happiness as they move forward into the next chapter of their lives.

They will always remain a valued part of the Our Lady of Mercy College community.





DEVELOPING OUR SCHOOL

A number of important improvements have been completed in the school to date.

New Wi-Fi System

A new Wi-Fi system has been installed throughout the school, with the support of the Liffey Trust.

STEM Room Refurbishment

The computer room has been refurbished to support and enhance STEM learning.

Solar Panels

Solar panels have been installed with the support of the Department of Education.

New Gym

A new gym facility has been added to support student fitness and wellbeing.

Canteen Benches

New benches have been provided for the school canteen.

Art Room Benches

New benches have been installed in the art room.

Physics Room Refurbishment

The physics room has been upgraded to enhance teaching and learning.

Prayer Room Carpet

New carpet was fitted in the prayer room.

Climate Action and Mechanical Works

The Climate Action and Mechanical Works project has been approved under the Climate Action Summer Works Scheme 2026. The total grant approved for the heating upgrade is €2,103,840.34.

We sincerely thank the **Liffey Trust** and everyone involved in supporting these improvements, which will continue to enhance the learning environment for our students.