Basketball

The senior girls team travelled to Roscommon to take part in a one day blitz competition involving 5 teams from schools in Connacht. The standard of basketball played was very high by all the participating schools. Boys are in training with Mr Cullen now and we hope to hear more about them next term!

FUTSAL

The school entered two boys teams & two girls teams into the recent FAI FUTSAL Competition. It is a variant of association football that is played on a smaller ground and mainly played indoors: a version of five-a-side football. The teams displayed great enthusiasm and spirit throughout the tournament with a good level of skill. The girls teams finished in 3rd and 4th place overall and developed their skill as the tournament progressed. One of the boys teams finished in 4th position, while the other team narrowly missed out on progression to the Connacht final after a tense final that was decided on sudden death penalties. Well done to all involved!

Building Works

After some planning difficulties that required further funding, the CEO of our ETB recently announced that the additional funding required has now been approved and work on the new extension is expected to proceed shortly. This additional building will be a huge boost to our existing facilities.



Celebrating 50 Years

The celebrations to mark fifty years of DVS took place over the October bank holiday weekend. It was a huge success, with people traveling from all over the world for the occasion. We hope to have photos from the event up on our web-site in the near future. Check out www.dvs.ie.

The Anniversary Book was sold out that weekend and a reprint is due on Friday, December 5th. This is a lovely publication and would be an ideal Christmas present for any past student or staff.

We wish you all a very happy Christmas



DVS Newsletter

Christmas 2014



CoderDojo is being officially launched at our school in the coming weeks. So far twenty two students have signed up. They'll begin by learning the programming language "scratch". Our coders would greatly welcome any programmers from among our parents or past students that are willing to share their knowledge with us.

Girls Active



All first year girls are participating in Girls Active every Monday. They are doing many fun activities like Zumba dancing and circuit training with their trainer Michelle Fanning and teachers Miss O'Brien and Ms Tiernan. They will be involved in a full day's activities later in the school year. Keep active girls!

Drama

Drama workshops organised by Ms Martin began this week with a group of our Junior students. Workshops will initially focus on technique. We look forward to their performance at the end of the year.



Public speaking

Two of our students, Stephanie Earley and Morgane Février will compete in the North west Final of the Soroptimist Ireland Public Speaking Competition this Saturday, December 6th in The Clarion Hotel, Sligo. We wish the girls the best of luck.

Fifth Year (L Cert Year 1) P/T Meeting—January 21st

Keep up to date by checking out our web-site: www.dvs.ie or follow us on twitter: @DrumshanboVS. Also, parents, make sure we have your mobile number for SMS messages.

Some Recent Awards and Achievements

Congratulations to Mr John king on winning the Leitrim Sports Partnership Hall of Fame Award for his career long commitment to sports at DVS.

Congratulations to Siobhán Daly who has been awarded the Allen Byrne Medal. This is for the best female result in Leaving Cert Engineering in the State Exams 2014. The award was presented at a ceremony at NUI, Maynooth recently.

Congrats to the winners of the NUIG Junior Cert Business Studies Award - Nicole Malone and Aoife Guihen.

Congrats to Niamh McCauley & Áine Kelly on winning the United World Championships in Karate held in Italy over the mid term break.

Young Enterprise

The "Sweet Surprizes" company (Alana Noone, Kellie Griffin, Anna Corcoran & Claire McKeon) is still going strong! These enterprising students are busy all year selling their confectionary in the school at lunchtime.

We have two teams at Junior level and two teams at Intermediate in the Young Enterprise Competition this year . The County Finals will take place in early March 2015.

DVS Got Talent

This competition will take place during the afternoon on Thursday, December 18th.

Evening Study

Takes place Mon-Thursday. Queries to Mr Hughes.

Christmas Tests

Taking place from December 3rd to December 18th



Senior A Volleyball Team make it to all Ireland Final



Our Senior A Boys Volleyball team were defeated by St Brigid's Loughrea in the All Ireland final on Monday, December 1st. The team put in a great performance throughout the championship. Well done lads and coach Mr King and lets hope you try again next year.

For full report see www.dvs.ie or The Leitrim Observer

Gaelic Football

Girls

The Senior and Junior (under 16) Gaelic football teams had a number of fixtures recently. The senior team lost out to a strong team who topped the group while also receiving the points in our final fixture of the group. The Junior team played three matches over this period resulting in a comprehensive victory in an away game, while unfortunately being on the wrong side of the result of the last two games. The girls competition has now concluded until next year. Well done to all who participated and represented the school to a high standard.

Boys

The Boys u-16 football team have played 2 matches to date. They won a tight battle with Carrigallen in which they managed to pull away in the last 10 minutes winning eventually by 10 points. This was followed up by a disappointing result against Elphin when they were beaten by 9 points. They will be hoping to bounce back in the final group game against Ballisodare, who they will need to beat in order to qualify from the group. Senior team in League Final v Carrigallen to be played after Christmas. the winner represents Leitrim in the Connacht Semi Final.