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## ANNUAL REPORT 2022 - 2023



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# Joint Welcome

FROM THE CHAIR, PROFESSOR EOIN O’SULLIVAN AND  
PRESIDENT, PROFESSOR TERESA O’DOHERTY



This report covers the academic year from 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023 and highlights the many successes and achievements of staff and students across the Institute. It gives us great pleasure to present this report, which captures much of the renewal of life and energy that was the hallmark of MIE in the pre-COVID-19 era. Together, students and staff worked to recreate the sense of community and activity; they shared projects and ambitions, all of which form an integral part of the fabric of life at Marino. Our students’ commitment was most evident in the fact that MIE had the highest level of student engagement with StudentSurvey.ie across the higher education landscape in 2022-2023.

Since the establishment of the Green Campus Committee, students and staff have worked collaboratively to focus on promoting sustainability across all aspects of college life. The MIE campus continues to adapt and develop opportunities for integrating sustainable approaches in all our work, and within our curriculum.

This year was a period of continued growth for MIE and our student numbers grew by 3%, a testament to the commitment of the staff of the Institute. Our Research Office expanded with the appointment of a new Research Officer and the provision of academic writing workshops for staff. The Research Strategy was approved and will contribute to fostering the growth and development of focused research hubs into the future. We held two very successful MIE-School of Education (TCD) research events

which underscored the opportunities for sharing ongoing collaborative research and generating future projects.

MIE continually demonstrates its commitment to promoting diversity and inclusion in many ways. The DICE project offered regular opportunities for students and staff to engage in programmes, conferences, workshops and arts activities during the year. The Migrant Teacher Project (MTP) continued to support internationally educated teachers enter the workforce in Ireland. At a time of a shortage of teachers nationally, the contribution of these international teachers is even more important. We were delighted to offer a tailored bridging programme to help recently arrived Ukrainian teachers access Irish schools. Minister Norma Foley TD attended the MTP graduation in June, celebrating the contribution of these international teachers to Irish schools.

We were delighted to be successful in the tender to continue to provide the Baitsiléar san Oideachas (Irish medium BEd programme), ensuring that MIE will continue to offer the only qualification in the state through the medium of Irish for primary level teachers until 2028-2032. Our dependence on schools and educational settings in Dublin, across the country, in Gaeltacht areas, and in the European School Network, to provide placement opportunities for our students has grown throughout the year. We thank the teachers and the school communities who provide tremendous support to our students.





## Joint Welcome

FROM THE CHAIR, PROFESSOR EOIN O’SULLIVAN AND  
 PRESIDENT, PROFESSOR TERESA O’DOHERTY

The past year was a period of renewal in Marino Institute of Education where we sensed the return of a palpable energy that had been curtailed in recent years. Our students continued to flourish in the areas of arts, music, drama, and sports.

If education is, of its nature, a journey, the journey that has been taken by Marino Institute of Education has been something worthy of inclusion in any business school case history. As the world has changed so too has MIE. The progress made towards our vision over the last year has been impressive and would not be possible without the talent and commitment of our staff and the passion and dedication of our Governing Body.

Quality Assurance and Quality Enhancement continued to be a priority for MIE and Quality Reviews of the Professional Diploma in Education (Further Education) and of the IT provision at MIE were successfully completed. Policy dissemination and awareness was promoted through the work of the Quality Committee and an innovative eLearning tool was developed by the IT team. MIE submitted the first stage documentation for the re-accreditation process of all initial teacher education programmes by the Teaching Council.

Following a Public Procurement process, the new contract for the management of the Student Accommodation was awarded to Eber Living and planning for the new entrance and security hub was progressed. A review of our Health and Safety procedures and handbook was undertaken, and our Official Languages Act action plan was developed.

The Trinity International Foundation Programme (IFP) continued to thrive attracting students from 30 countries to the campus. We were delighted to welcome 180 participants at the Edmund Rice Education Beyond Borders Global Congress to campus in May.

We are delighted to have been gifted with the Br Ken Chapman Art Collection of ten beautiful original paintings which had been part of the Christian Brothers Art collection exhibited at the Emmaus Centre, Swords.

Our students continued to flourish in the areas of arts and music. The Drama Society produced the musical ‘All Shook Up’ in February, while our traditional music society presented the RTE Seachtain na Gaeilge Céilí House radio programme. The Winter Fest music performance, in addition to the Summersong concert showcased new music by MIE artist in residence Colm Ó Foghlú and featured many talented musicians including members of the MIE Drama Society accompanied by The Charlemont String Ensemble.

On the sports’ fields our students represent the college across a range of sporting endeavours and it was wonderful to see the establishment of new men’s and women’s soccer and basketball teams during the last year. Training for all sports is a collaborative project between current students, alumni and the staff.

The members of the Governing Body serve in a voluntary capacity and we wish to thank them for their unstinting service to MIE. Professor Linda Hogan who served MIE so diligently for the last ten years, initially as a board member from 2013-2017 and as chair from 2017-2022 stepped down from Board in December 2022. Under her excellent stewardship, MIE continued its successful journey of growth and development, re-imagined its mission and vision, articulating these in the Strategic Plan,

*Education Transforming Lives*, 2021-2026. This Plan has set an ambitious agenda for the future of MIE, setting a clear direction for future growth and expansion. We thank Linda for her wonderful leadership of the Board.

We wish to thank Ms Siobhán Ní Dhúill who stepped down from the Board in summer 2022 - gabhaimid buíochas ó chroí léi as ucht as an tacaíocht iontach a thug sí don Institiúid le dhá bhliain anuas. It was with profound sadness that we heard of the untimely passing of our Board member Ms Bride Rosney in September. Continuing her stellar career and unique contribution to education, we were honoured that Bride served MIE as a member of Governing Body (2019 – September 2023) and Academic Council (2020-2023). She gave freely not only of her time, but her knowledge, keen insight and expertise which was always delivered with good humour, wit and unfaltering kindness. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a hanam dílis.

Since its establishment almost 120 years ago, MIE has grown and evolved, and this report provides examples of the nature of the Institute’s recent accomplishments, while continually facing new and diverse challenges. Each day, our staff continue to ensure that students are fully engaged in their academic work, and they support their participation in all the cultural and sporting activities that comprise the fabric of student life at third level.

We wish to thank each member of staff for their unstinting commitment and generosity of spirit.

We are very proud of the achievements of the staff and students and look forward with optimism to a strong future for MIE.

*Ar scáth a chéile a mhairimid.*

**Professor Eoin O’Sullivan, Chair of Governing Body**

**Professor Teresa O’Doherty, President**



# Snapshots from a Year

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# Governance

MIE Governing Body 2022/23

1	<b>Chairperson</b> Appointed Chair January 2023	<b>Prof Eoin O'Sullivan</b> Professor in Social Policy School of Social Work and Social Policy TCD Appointed Chair Jan 2023 for three years	<b>Expires Jan 2026</b>
2	<b>Campus Development</b> Appointed Sept 2019 Re-appointed July 2022	<b>Ms Maria Kiernan</b> Architect in private practice Fellow of the Royal Institute of Architects of Ireland and Accredited Mediator	<b>Expires Sept 2022</b> <b>Expires Aug 2025</b>
3	<b>Education and Finance</b> Appointed 1 Dec 2021 for three years	<b>Dr Larry Jordan</b> Preparatory School Principal Christian Brothers College Cork	<b>Expires Dec 2024</b>
4	<b>Education</b> Appointed Sept 2019 Re-appointed July 2022	<b>Ms Bride Rosney</b> Secretary to the Board of Trustees Mary Robinson Foundation Former Director of Communications RTE (2001-2009) Special Advisor to President Mary Robinson	<b>Expires Sept 2022</b> <b>Due to expire August 2025</b> Now Deceased
5	<b>Education</b> Appointed Sept 2019 Re-appointed July 2022	<b>Ms Anne McElduff</b> Former Assistant Secretary General and Head of Legal and Industrial Relations INTO, barrister and former teacher	<b>Expires Sept 2022</b> <b>Expires Aug 2025</b>
6	<b>Education</b> Appointed 1 Dec 2021 Three year appointment	<b>Prof Carmel O'Sullivan</b> Head of School of Education Trinity College Dublin	<b>Expires Dec 2024</b>
7	<b>Education/Linguistics</b> Appointed 2018-2019 Re-appointed Sept 2019 Re-appointed Sept 2022	<b>Prof Lorna Carson</b> Head of the School of Linguistic, Speech and Communication Sciences and Associate Professor in Applied Linguistics TCD	<b>Expires Sept 2022</b> <b>Expires Aug 2024</b>
8	<b>Elected MIE Staff Representative (academic)</b> Elected Sept 2022	<b>Dr Miriam Colum</b> Head of School of Inclusion, Religious Education and Student Life MIE	<b>Expires Sept 2025</b>
9	<b>Elected MIE Staff Representative (academic)</b> Elected Sept 2019 Re-Elected 2022	<b>Dr Rory McDaid</b> Director of Research MIE	<b>Expires Sept 2025</b>

# Governance

MIE Governing Body 2022/23

10	<b>Elected MIE Staff Representative (professional services)</b> Elected Sept 2019 Re-elected July 2022	<b>Mr Martin Lynch</b> IT Manager MIE	<b>Expires Sept 2025</b>
11	<b>Finance</b> Appointed Sept 2019 Re-appointed July 2022	<b>Mr Michael Ryan</b> Former head of McCann Fitzgerald's Tax Group He is a past council member of the Irish Taxation Institute and currently chairs the editorial board of the <i>Irish Tax Review</i>	<b>Expires Sept 2022</b> <b>Expires August 2025</b>
12	<b>MIE Student Union Representative</b> Annual appointment Appointed June 2022	<b>Mr Liam Heerey</b> Elected SU President MIE	<b>Expires June 2023</b>
13	<b>Vice Provost, TCD</b> Appointed 1 Sept 2021	<b>Prof Orla Sheils</b> Vice Provost - Chief Academic Officer Academic Secretariat TCD	<b>Expires Sept 2024</b>
14	<b>Technology</b> Appointed Feb 2020	<b>Mr Michael Hallissy</b> Founding Partner H2 Learning	<b>Expired Feb 2023</b> Extended June 2023 - June 2026
15	<b>Irish Medium Education</b> Appointed 1 May 2021 Three year appointment	<b>Ms Síobhán Ní Dhuill</b> Accommodation Manager An Foras Pátrúnachta	<b>Expires May 2024</b> Stepped down August 2023
16	<b>In attendance</b> Ex Officio	<b>Prof Teresa O'Doherty</b> President MIE	<b>N/a</b>
17	<b>In attendance</b> Appointed November 2020 Ex Officio	<b>Mr Cian Mackey</b> Chief Financial Officer MIE	<b>N/a</b>
18	<b>In attendance</b> <b>Secretariat</b>	<b>Ms Danielle Montgomery</b> Executive Assistant to the President President's Office MIE	<b>N/a</b>



# Leadership Reports



**Dr Aimie Brennan**

Dr Aimie Brennan, Dean of Education: Policy, Practice and Society and Course Leader, BSc in Education Studies celebrated numerous milestones during the year. Her team contributed to the Teaching Council Accreditation of the ITE programmes, worked with students to redraft the Student's Union Constitution, developed a Sabbatical position for SU President, and launched the MIE Alumni Network. The first co-funded PhD scholarship between MIE and TCD Sociology was awarded, and the STER project secured funding to internationalise its journal. Other highlights included the Migrant Teacher Project's response to the needs of Ukrainian teachers, and activities of the Green Campus Committee, Diversity Committee, and DICE which furthered MIE's mission to create a more inclusive, sustainable and socially just community.



**Dr Joan Kiely**

Dr Joan Kiely is Dean of Education where she is responsible for the management of the BEd programme, the BSc Programme and the Masters Programme in Early Childhood Education. Joan worked as a primary school teacher for twenty years and as a teacher educator in MIE since 2004. The BEd programme was reviewed by the Teaching Council from Sep 2022 to Mar 2023 to see if it was fit for 21st century teaching, an opportunity for Joan and her team to showcase MIE as a centre of excellence for Teaching and Learning with a focus on the child voice.



**Dr Seán Delaney**

Dr Seán Delaney, Vice President (Academic Affairs) and Registrar of MIE welcomed Colum Cronin as a new Student Engagement Officer and Simon Yeates who replaced Louise Condon as Access Officer. Highlights of the year included the annual Open Day on 19 November where around 600 prospective students and their families visited the campus. In May combining the interviews for places on the Professional Masters in Education (PME) course with refreshments, talks about teaching and campus tours helped put applicants at ease for their interviews and ensured the highest intake of PME students in recent years. The first MIE-Associated Colleges Degrees Committee to be held in MIE was convened on 2 March 2023.



**Cian Mackey**

Cian Mackey, Chief Financial Officer and VP for Professional Services reported that MIE's post pandemic financial performance remains consistent. Total income increased primarily driven by the steady rise in student numbers, however in line with inflationary impacts, expenditure has also increased. Due to prudent income and expenditure management MIE has recorded a small surplus for the financial year 2022/2023. To reflect MIE's ethos of valuing its employees, pension and employee benefit insurances were reviewed which resulted in an increase to the MIE funded pension contributions. Additionally all full time or eligible employees will now receive a Death Benefit Plan, a Lump Sum of four times current salary, as well as incorporating Income Protection.



**Dr Gene Mehigan**

Dr Gene Mehigan, Vice President for Education and Strategic Development identified the successful tender for the full-time four-year Irish medium Initial Teacher Education (ITE) BEd (primary teaching) programme as one of the highlights of the year. On the professional development front, in July, MIE provided a wide range of online and face-to-face summer courses for teachers. Other highlights included improvement to teaching and learning spaces in both St Mary's building and St Patrick's Hall and the commencement of the new gate lodge and surrounding road structures for our new campus entrance. The academic year 2022-23 also saw the return to on campus teaching and learning for all undergraduate and International Foundation Programme (IFP) students with the schedule for lectures facilitating teaching opportunities for our final year students.



# Strategic Plan 2021-2026

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## EDUCATION TRANSFORMING LIVES - STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

<b>T</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>U</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>T</b>
TEACHING	RESEARCH	UNIVERSAL ACCESS	SUSTAINABILITY	TECHNOLOGY
PRIORITY	PRIORITY	PRIORITY	PRIORITY	PRIORITY

## OUR GOALS

<b>1</b>	We will affirm our Christian Identity through education	<b>6</b>	We will nurture and deepen our role as trusted partners in education
<b>2</b>	We will cultivate a rich teaching and learning experience	<b>7</b>	We will broaden the international orientation of our work
<b>3</b>	We will advance quality Irish-medium education	<b>8</b>	We will promote sustainable education and practices
<b>4</b>	We will commit to excellence in applied research	<b>9</b>	We will underpin our evolving practices through digital technologies
<b>5</b>	We will promote access, equity and diversity in education	<b>10</b>	We will foster our strong community spirit





# Teaching and Learning

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The 2022-2023 academic year saw MIE staff and students develop both in traditional classroom settings, and in a range of supplementary courses and optional avenues for further learning. Renowned guests, informative seminars and new tools for delivering classes – MIE continued to push our innovative approach to both teaching and learning this year.



## FÉILTE

FÉILTE, the Teaching Council’s annual Festival of Education in Learning and Teaching Excellence, took place on 1 October at the Helix. BEd. graduate 2022, Tara McEllistrim, represented MIE as part of the StudentMeet panel discussion on Student Teacher Experience – Whole School Opportunity. The discussion focused on the positive reciprocal relationship between schools and student teachers and the various opportunities that school placement provides to the wider school community.

## Online Summer Courses

Three online CPD summer courses were created by the IT & e-Learning Department and released to teachers on 4 July 2022. This year there were 841 participants who completed their courses throughout July, to allow them claim EPV days on their return to school, in September. Congratulations to all the staff involved - the 3 courses offered were

- ▶ Teaching and Learning in an Early Childhood Setting
- ▶ Turning Pupils into Published Authors, and
- ▶ Inclusion & Special Education.

## Online Masters in Primary Maths

MIE’s first fully online Masters course went live in September 2022, and Shane Regan (Instructional Designer) created an online template using Instructional Design principles, to support delivery. This approach ensures a consistent experience for students on the course, and new tools were used by the wider teaching team including Panopto, Online Attendance and other synchronous and asynchronous delivery tools.

## Playful Literacy Learning

Clara Fiorentini delivered a webinar on ‘Playful Literacy Learning’ in collaboration with West Cork Education Centre, Waterford Education Centre, Wexford Education Centre, Kilkenny Education Centre and Cork Education Support Centre, facilitated in November.

## Professional Development Webinars

Ciara Fiorentini offered a wide range of webinars in partnership with the Education Centres and the Department of Education across the year. During April and May for example she delivered the following webinars:

- ▶ ‘Every lesson is a language lesson: Reflecting on Meaningful Oral language Instruction in the Primary Classroom’ – Input for Early Years, Primary & Post-Primary DE Inspectorate. Webinar
- ▶ Reading for Pleasure in the Primary Classroom: West Cork Education Centre
- ▶ The Novel in the Primary Classroom: West Cork Education Centre
- ▶ ‘The Early Literacy Lens: Exploring Key Priorities for Early Literacy Learning and Opportunities for Continuation of Early Literacy Practices across the ECCE and infant primary years.’ – Workshop for Early Years DE Inspectorate Unit
- ▶ Prioritising Play: Strategies for Playful Literacy Development in the Junior Primary Classroom, 15 May.





### National Open Research Forum (NORF)

Genevieve Larkin (Head of Library Services) attended the National Open Research Forum (NORF) National Action Plan and Projects' Launch Event on the 21 November (online).

### Marino Matters

The team comprises Miriam Colum, Caoileann Ní Dhonnchadha, Breed Murphy, Ciarán Fogarty, Feargal O Laighin, Ciara Reilly, Andrea Uí Chianáin and Martin Lynch who have worked on a number of issues across the year. Marino Matters captures the social life and events of the community and provides a welcome newsletter for all.

### TEACHER SUPPLY

Following an invitation from Minister Norma Foley, President Teresa O'Doherty & Vice President Seán Delaney met with the Minister and a number of her team in Tyrone House, Marlborough St on 11 January. The Minister was very appreciative of the support of initial teacher education providers last year when school placement was adapted to enable student teachers provide substitute cover in schools. The Minister again asked that MIE would release students from placement, and other students from class, to provide substitution cover for schools. We advised the Minister that while cognisant of the national interest, our first commitment must be to the wellbeing of our students, their academic progression and accreditation as teachers.

### CRITICALLY UNPACKING DIGITAL EDUCATION FOCUS GROUP

Dr Michael Hallissy and John Hurley, H2 Learning, facilitated a workshop for members of staff on 24 January. This workshop provided a space for faculty to reflect and unpack terms such as Digital Education, Digital Pedagogy and Digital Transformation and to engage in discussion with colleagues around how the Institute can critically embrace digital technology in a meaningful way in a post COVID-19 world.

### Visit of the Education Committee of the Flemish Parliament

Following a request from the Department of Education, MIE was delighted to host a visiting group from the Flemish Parliament on 5 October. Teacher shortage/quality is concern for Flemish education policy makers and the visitors were particularly interested in hearing the Irish experience of how to attract and retain student teachers of a high quality. Liam Heery (Student Union President), Dr Joan Kiely, Dr Aimie Brennan, Dr Julie Uí Choistealbha and Professor Teresa O'Doherty provided a series of presentations for the visitors and hosted a Q&A session. Dr Julie Uí Choistealbha represented the Institute at an appreciation event hosted by the Dutch Embassy on 6 October.

### Turn and Draw – Art and Play workshop

Our artists-in-residence Duffy Shepard Mooney and Darren Yorke have a magical ability to bring us into their world of art and play. On 25 April a bespoke workshop for MIE staff to glean an experience in play, provided a magical elixir in response to all of the work stresses and ailments at this busy time of year!

# Teaching and Learning

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### Universal Design for Learning (UDL) Network in MIE

Dr Miriam Colum, along with colleagues Dr Alison Egan, Shane Regan, Ciara Reilly and Louise Condon, founded the *MIE UDL Network* to identify and synthesize learning and understanding of UDL with a view towards planning for further UDL implementation in MIE. The team put out a call to colleagues to join the network and will have an initial focus on the following items:

- ▶ Raising awareness of UDL.
- ▶ Implement and train colleagues in Brickfield Accessibility (a phased approach).
- ▶ Providing support for colleagues who wish to do the UDL badge.
- ▶ Invite guest speakers / experts on UDL.
- ▶ Implementation of UDL across the campus – ideas and application.
- ▶ Staff / Student Training in UDL.
- ▶ MIE specific training course on UDL (a shortened version of the AHEAD UDL badge).

### MS Teams Meetings & Moodle

MS Teams meetings are now available as an LTI (Learning Tool Interoperability) on our Moodle platform. As students have MS Teams it is a way of facilitating online communication using tools embedded into regular student platforms. Further plug-ins are being tested in the eLearning department over the summer, in time for rollout for September 2023 and the new academic year.

### MES Leadership in Christian Schools Online

The MES Leadership in Christian Schools Online proposal has been approved by Council at Trinity College Dublin. Recruitment of students to this innovative programme has begun. Congratulations to Dr Aiveen Mullally (Course Leader) and Dr Seán Delaney on their work in bringing this programme through the accreditation process

### Irish Learning Technology Association (ILTA),

The Irish Learning Technology Association (ILTA), held their annual EdTech 23 event in the Law Society of Ireland on 1 & 2 June was attended by over 120 educational technology practitioners from every HEI and membership organisation in Ireland. MIE was represented by Dr Alison Egan and Shane Regan from the e-Learning team. Held over two days, the keynote speakers and panel were focused on Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Academic Integrity, and the tools we can use to support colleagues and students in this new AI education landscape.

### NCCA Events

Dr Joan Kiely, Dr Karin Bacon, Dr Sandra Austin, Clara Fiorentini, Richeal Ní Thiarnaigh and Dr Edmond Gubbins attended the NCCA event: Primary Curriculum Developments: What are the considerations for Initial Teacher Education? an event Exploring Agency in ITE on 30 May 2023.

Dr Karin Bacon and Dr Sandra Austin attended the NCCA Joint Meeting of Development Groups (Primary), Midlands Park Hotel Portlaoise, on 13 June. Dr Sandra Austin attended the NCCA Development meeting, Midlands Park Hotel Portlaoise, on 15 June.





# Student and Sporting Life

AT MIE

This year was a busy one for clubs and societies. New sports teams were established in response to students' interests and weekly music sessions provided colour to our lives. The constitution of the SU was revised to allow for the selection of a Sabbatical Officer and the students engaged in the 'This is MIE' on-line campaign to promote the various programmes at MIE.



## Student Life

### Maths Week

Maths Week took place from Monday October 17 to Friday October 21 2022 in Marino Institute of Education. Maths Week Ireland is an all-island event which sets out to provide opportunities for people of all ages to enjoy mathematics and to highlight the creativity of the subject. Within MIE, this year the focus was on exploring mathematics within the MIE community and in partnership with our local community. In terms of the all-island event, almost half a million children (464,468) were officially registered with Maths Week Ireland and we are delighted that more than 500 of those took part in events organised by staff and students in MIE which included Steve Sherman's mathematical show, a STEM workshop for infants and a problem-solving event. A further 80 children supported by MIE staff and students investigated the topic of Maths in Daily Life in their own classrooms. Almost 500 students engaged in the daily Fadhb an Lae problem-solving challenges while a group of students also engaged in a treasure hunt organised by the library using the Dewey Decimal Classification system. Congratulations to Breed Murphy, Donncha Ó Corcoráin and Bridget Flanagan for organising such a wonderful week's activities.

### Students' Entrance Scholarship Evening

In December, we presented 15 first year students with entrance scholarships across a range of disciplines – sporting achievement, community/volunteering, arts engagement and academic achievement. The students and their parents and a number of principals/teachers from their home schools attended and this was a really affirming event. Special thanks goes to the staff who adjudicated on the applications and organised this special event - Eileen Keane Niland, Edmond Gubbins, Claire Dunne, Suzy Macken, Denis Forde, Lily Barry, Cian Mac Aodhagáin and Dr Seán Delaney.



### Alumni Awards

Alumni awards are presented to alumni who, since graduation, have represented Marino proudly in various ways and have been advocates for excellence and education both inside and outside the classroom. In December 2022 we recognised the contribution of Ms Mary Finnegan who taught for several years in St. Vincent de Paul Girls National School on Griffith Avenue. Through her work with the Deaf community over many decades, she supported children who are Deaf or hard of hearing in mainstream schools. She was later part of an advisory panel that produced guidelines for the inclusion of children who are Deaf or hard of hearing. The second award recipient was Mr John Allen, who combined a career in teaching with being a hurler and Gaelic footballer with Cork senior teams and who managed both Cork and Limerick to inter-county success in hurling.

### Graduation

At the start of December, the graduation event provided an opportunity to celebrate the achievement of our students who had studied through the most difficult of circumstances. The Chief Inspector, Ms Yvonne Keating presented the Carlisle and Blake award to Ciarán Rowney and gave a short address. Earlier at Trinity, Mr John Boyle General Secretary of the INTO presented Ciarán with the Vere Foster for coming first in his year on school placement. Later in the afternoon, again at TCD, John Boyle also presented the Vere Foster medal to Declan Wildes, our PME graduate who received the highest mark on school placement.

### Winter Music Festival

On 16 December a cohort of the IFP students and staff took to the stage for the International Winter Music Festival. The event featured instrumentalist and voice performances, reflecting the range of musical tastes among the participants and the seasonality of the festival. The large audience were treated to a marvelous concert and the event closed with mince pies and mulled juice. It was a very enjoyable end to the term.

### International Women's Day

*Inspiring Women from Around the World:* The Diversity Committee presented a display to celebrate the women who inspire the students and staff of Marino. Books on the theme of Inspiring Women from around the World were also featured, which have been chosen by the library staff.

### Drama Society Musical

The MIE Student Drama Society presented the musical 'All Shook Up' at the Liberty Hall Theatre from 5-7 February. The standard of the cast this year was outstanding, under the excellent direction of Tara Flanagan (BSc ECE ) and choreographer Emma Townsend (BEd3).

We were delighted to have cast and crew ranging across courses and year groups, and everyone who attended the production enjoyed a great evening out!

# Student and Sporting Life

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### Seachtain na Gaeilge

Robbie Irwin organised a very successful Seachtain na Gaeilge which took place from 27 February to 3 March. The schedule of events included a trip to Ráth Chairn, a céilí and bingo. The week was completed with the airing of the RTÉ Radio One's 'Céilí House' from MIE which saw both students and staff members perform a programme of traditional Irish music, song, and comhrá. This bilingual programme which celebrated the amazing talent of our 'Marino House' was organised by Dr Edmond Gubbins and Dr Máire Nuinseann.

### Green Campus Week

This year, for the first time, Marino Institute of Education participated in National Green Week, co-ordinated by An Taisce Green Campus Network. The MIE Green Campus Committee planned, promoted and delivered a wide variety of activities and events based on the UN Sustainable Goals.

We kicked off our Green Week activities with Meat-free Monday at Blasta Restaurant, thanks to Chef Julian and all the KSG team.

We launched MIE Marchathon 2023 with a lunchtime Scéal Trail around campus, led by Dr Claire Dunne, with bilingual storytelling and the pop-up library in the foyer of the Nagle Rice highlighted a host of thought-provoking books by authors like David Attenborough and Greta Thunberg, as well as a mix of resources and pictures books for teaching children about sustainability.

We were joined by the young actors from Scoil Chaitríona in Renmore, who performed their new show Fadh na Mara, a story that explores environmental awareness and Irish folklore. In the afternoon the children met and worked with our BOid3 students on stories and storytelling.

### Summersong in the Chapel

On Tuesday 25 April, MIE hosted the most beautiful and inspiring Summersong in the Chapel which comprised of new music by MIE artist in resident Colm Ó Foghlú and featured Mary Callan Clarke (soprano), Edmond Gubbins (accordion), Máire Nuinseann (flute), Noreen O'Donoghue (harp) alongside members of the MIE Drama Society and accompanied by The Charlemont String Ensemble. Students Katie Donoghue and Tara Flanagan acted as compères. The concert was an expressive array of talent which echoed around the corridors of St Mary's and lifted our spirits immeasurably.







# Student and Sporting Life

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## Sports Activities

### Inaugural Soccer team launch

The MIE Sports Officer Shauna Conneally was instrumental in getting MIE men's and women's soccer teams launched and entered into the FAI third level leagues and cups.

### Athletics

Chloe Heaslip (BOid1) represented Trinity in the intervarsity Road Race Relays in Maynooth on 11 November.

### GAA

We have a very active GAA programme at MIE, led by Denis Forde but supported by a range of current and past students. Our Ladies Football fielded two teams (Divisions 5 and 7), while we also had a Camogie team, a Men's Football and Hurling team. MIE Ladies' Football team reached the league semi-final. After another successful year on the playing fields in May we acknowledged the achievements of the students over the past year.

### The following awards were made

- ▶ Camogie Championship Winners (Medals) (2020)
- ▶ Ladies Football League Winners (Medals) 2022
- ▶ Hurling Championship Winners (Medals) 2022
- ▶ Players of the year all five teams
- ▶ Presentations to the various Management teams.
- ▶ Presentations to our two sport Officers.

### Football challenge match v Froebel College

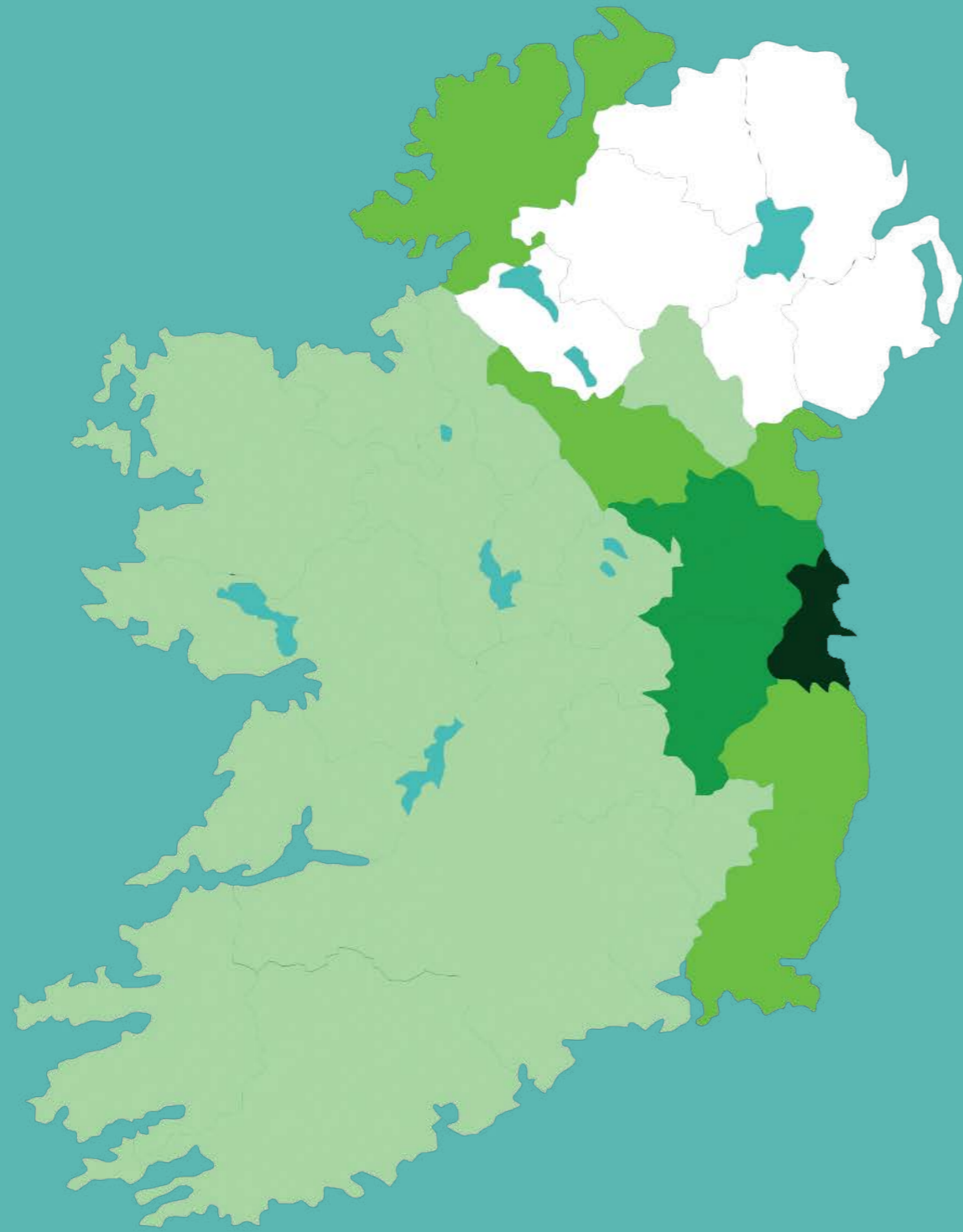
MIE hosted a ladies football challenge match against Froebel College – this was a re-establishment of a traditional challenge between the two colleges that had been in abeyance for a number of years. Our ladies football team did us proud and many thanks to Denis Forde, Dr Gene Mehigan and Aodán Mac Suibhne along with Séamie Ó Néill of Froebel, Maynooth for organising the match. The event was followed by a lovely reception for the players, but also the presentation of awards to a number of players and mentors.



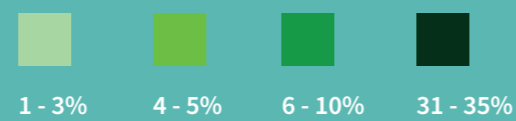


# Where our students come from

Nationally



Proportion of students by County



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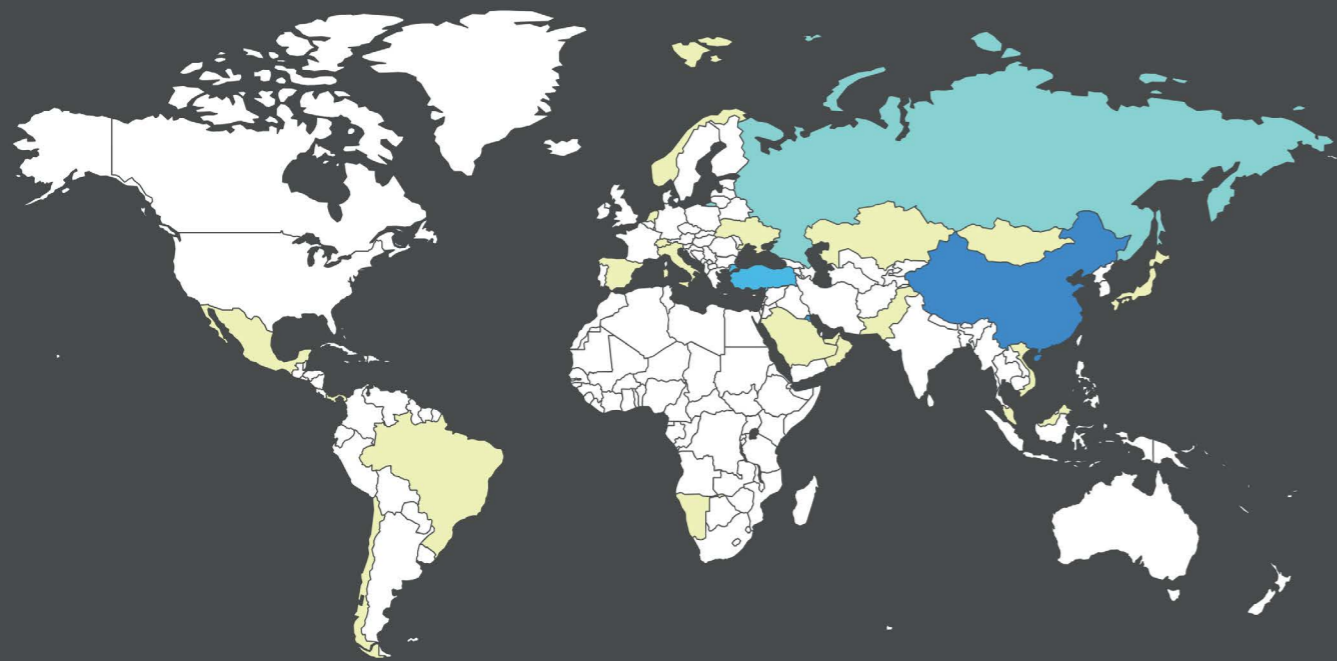
Antrim	1	Longford	9
Carlow	25	Louth	56
Cavan	48	Mayo	36
Clare	8	Meath	107
Cork	20	Monaghan	43
Donegal	64	Offaly	18
Dublin	434	Roscommon	22
Galway	38	Sligo	22
Kerry	12	Tipperary	5
Kildare	85	Undefined	9
Kilkenny	27	Waterford	20
Laois	23	Westmeath	26
Leitrim	17	Wexford	53
Limerick	15	Wicklow	59
		<b>Total</b>	<b>1302</b>



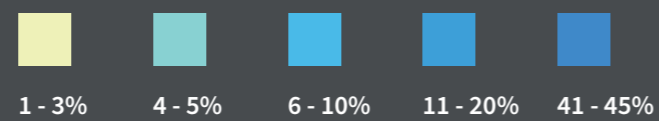


# Where our students come from

Internationally



Proportion of students by Country



# Where our students come from

Internationally

Brazil	2	Norway	3
Chile	2	Oman	2
China	56	Pakistan	2
Hong Kong	1	Panama	2
Italy	1	Russian Federation	7
Japan	1	Saudi Arabia	1
Kazakhstan	1	Spain	2
Kuwait	20	Switzerland	2
Malaysia	2	Turkey	9
Mexico	2	Ukraine	3
Mongolia	1	Undefined	12
Namibia	1	United Arab Emirates	2
Netherlands	2	Vietnam	2
Nigeria	1	<b>Total</b>	<b>142</b>





### 3 INCOMING



### 18 OUTGOING



## Student Mobility

### European School Placement Programme

In 2019/20, MIE commenced a pilot placement programme for BEd3 students to take their Spring Placement in a European School (Brussels I). This programme expanded to six students from the BEd and BOid programmes travelling to schools in Brussels and Frankfurt in March 2022; and to eight places being offered to students in 2023 in Brussels, Frankfurt and Luxembourg. The programme is largely self-funded by the students themselves, although a €350 stipend from MIE was offered this year, which was gratefully received by the students.

### Outgoing mobility

In the 2022/2023 academic year, 18 MIE students took a semester abroad. All outgoing student mobility took place in semester 1. Of these 18, 14 places were funded through Erasmus+ funding and four were funded through the Swiss European Mobility Programme (SEMP).

In relation to staff mobility, two staff members availed of Erasmus+ funding this year (for visits to Spain and Austria) and one staff member has availed of SEMP funding for a visit to Zurich.

### Incoming mobility

In 2022/23, MIE welcomed six incoming mobility students across the academic year from Ostfold University (Norway), UDG Girona, the Zurich University of Teacher Education, and UAB Barcelona. The students could select to study modules from across the BEd/ECE and Ed Studies programmes.





# Sustainability

In February 2022, Marino Institute of Education signed up to the Green Campus Charter, and we are now working towards our first Green Flag Award. The MIE community is working to meet our goals of increased Biodiversity and reduced Litter and Waste. We are also delighted to have signed up to the National Transport Authority's Smarter Travel Campus charter.

## Green Campus Committee

Green Campus Committee meetings were held regularly throughout the academic year, chaired by Dr Sandra Austin.

The Committee which has a strong student composition, has been active on a number of activities as evidenced below.

## Walktober and Marchathon

Throughout the months of October and March, teams from MIE competed in Transport for Ireland's Walktober Steps Challenge. Over 1,300 teams from all across the country took part in the challenge, and three of our teams finished within the top 600, which is a huge achievement. Indeed, our "unprECEdented steps" team finished just outside the Top 50 teams in the country, so huge congratulations to Matt, Rachel, Mira, Natasha and Rhona. Collectively, MIE teams walked - in October alone - 1,409,834 steps (1,007 km) from Dublin to Cologne!

## Painting the Pencils

On 18 October, students and staff from our Green Campus team completed work on refurbishing the painted pencils outside St Patrick's building. The recycled paint was supplied by the Rediscovery Centre, and has made a striking impact.

## Insect Hotels & Campus Wormery

On 19 October, our BEd4 elective students collaborated with Ms Godfrey's 5th class, St Columba's NS, North Strand, to build two Insect Hotels at Mud Island Community Garden. On 19 November, Craig Benton, consultant with Composting Ireland, and students from the BEd4 Space to Grow elective set up our new Wormery in the Community



Garden. Craig led a workshop on caring for and using Wormeries to combat food waste on campus and at home. This Wormery will help us reduce our food waste on campus, which is one of our Green Flag goals under the Waste Management theme.

## National Green Week

This year, for the first time, Marino Institute of Education participated in National Green Week, co-ordinated by An Taisce Green Campus Network. The MIE Green Campus Committee planned, promoted and delivered a wide variety of activities and events based on the UN Sustainable Goals. Many of these activities were created in collaboration with a number of partners, including KSG Catering; the MIE Diversity Committee; Marine Institute, Galway; Scoil Chaitriona, Renmore; and with the help of many staff and students, including the BEd1, B0id3 and PME1 year groups.

The One World Awards were also here with information and resources about their programme.

### ► UN Sustainable Development Goals

*UN Sustainable Development Goals: what are they and why should we care?* This is a very special series of activities hosted by PME1 students to celebrate the mid-point of the UN-SDG programme. The event began with a screening of the 30-minute film, Nations United, a hard-hitting but hopeful documentary about the urgent need to work towards the Sustainable Development Goals.

### ► Irish Ambassador Fergal Mythen

As part of Green Week, we were joined live from New York, by the Irish Ambassador to the United Nations, Fergal

Mythen, for a shared conversation and Q&A about Ireland's role in progressing the SDGs, and the SDG Summit 2023. Ambassador Mythen's next engagement was in Doha, at the 5th United Nations Conference on Least Developed Countries, and he made a point of referencing Marino, and the important work our students do to bring the #SDGs into the classroom, in his interview with UN Media.

## Tree survey

A comprehensive Tree Survey was carried out on campus by Arbor Care Professional Consulting Tree Service in April. This was an update to the 2017 survey.

## Solar Panels

Veolia, our energy consultants, have produced an exciting short information video with details of the completed solar panel project at Nagle Rice, accompanied by a bilingual information sheet. This can be viewed via the MIE Sustainability webpage.

## All-Ireland Pollinator Plan

In early May, MIE became a Supporter of the All-Ireland Pollinator Plan. The All-Ireland Pollinator Plan is a framework bringing together different sectors across the island of Ireland to create a landscape where pollinators



can survive and thrive. It is implemented by the National Biodiversity Data Centre.

## Bee Border

Conceived by students, designed by our Sustainability Lead, Dr Sandra Austin, and planted up by our landscape team, the new MIE Bee Border at the back of St Patrick's Hall will provide a year-round supply of nectar for our bees and other pollinators. A variety of perennial plants with pollinator-friendly flowers, including Sedum, Lungwort, Bee Balm, Hellebore, Catmint and Aster, have been chosen such that, at any given time of year, some will be in bloom. A full planting list with flowering times is available via the MIE Sustainability webpage.

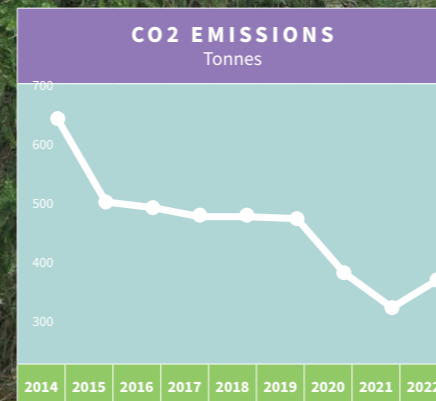
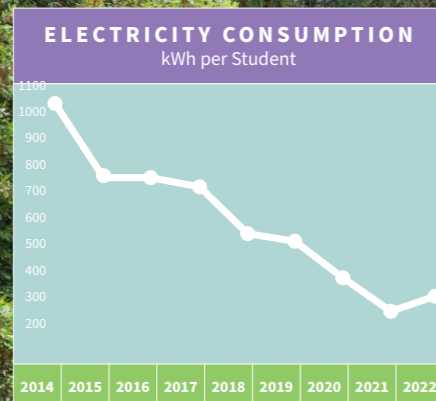
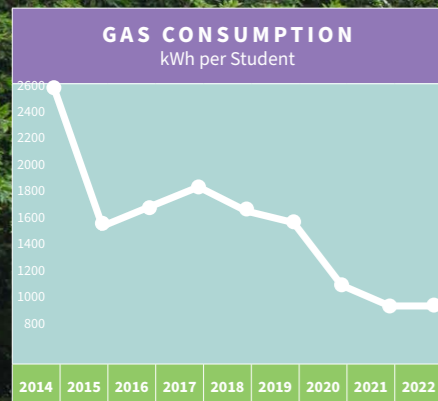
## MIE Garden Harvest

Lettuce, broad beans and herbs (sage, rosemary and oregano) were in plentiful supply from the MIE community garden harvest with thanks to Dr Sandra Austin and her team for this wonderful initiative.



# Sustainability

## PRIMARY ENERGY USAGE AT MIE



Year ending 31 Dec	Gas Consumption (kWh)	Gas Consumption (kWh) Per Student	Electricity Consumption (kWh)	Electricity Consumption (kWh) Per Student	CO2 emissions (Tonnes)	CO2 emissions (Tonnes) Per Student
2014	1,955,460	2,566	779,623	1,023	650	0.85
2015	1,316,864	1,577	650,722	779	499	0.59
2016	1,413,215	1,692	643,534	770	496	0.59
2017	1,561,179	1,838	604,208	711	484	0.57
2018	1,748,938	1,642	575,972	540	489	0.46
2019	1,816,864	1,590	584,733	512	483	0.42
2020	1,472,301	1,142	468,434	363	380	0.30
2021	1,298,886	989	390,647	298	330	0.25
2022	1,397,509	1,031	467,263	345	376	0.28

The CO2 emissions per student in MIE has reduced by 67% since a large-scale energy efficiency project was carried out in 2014/2015 with Veolia Ireland and has remained steady in recent years. MIE's implementation of an array of energy conservation measures has resulted in the campus buildings performing in a low carbon and high energy efficiency profile. This achievement is significant especially when the continued growth in student numbers is considered, and the easing of restrictions following COVID-19 and the return to full-time on campus activities are factored into the mix.

The investment in this large-scale energy efficiency included a grant aid contribution from Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland (SEAI). We calculate CO2 emissions by using the Business in the Community (BITC) carbon reporting methodology for gas and electricity, and MIE remain strongly focused on decarbonisation.







# Diversity and Inclusion

AT MIE

## MIGRANT TEACHER PROJECT

The Migrant Teacher Project was awarded funding under an EU Asylum Migration Integration Fund (AMIF) to develop and deliver an introductory course on the Irish Education System for Ukrainian teachers, recently displaced by the war and now living in Ireland. With the assistance of the Teaching Council, who contacted all Ukrainian teachers registered with them under the 'Tailored Registration Process for qualified Ukrainian Teachers', 47 Ukrainian teachers completed this course before Christmas.

## Migrant Teacher Bridging Programme

A second Tailored Bridging Programme for Ukrainian teachers concluded in early June while the Established Bridging Programme for internationally educated teachers continued with a Teaching Council Webinar on 25 May. This is the second of its kind this year, and the fifth such meeting the MTP has hosted for internationally educated teachers. The established programme took a break for the summer with a final clinic on 8 June. The programme will resume in August and continue through until December.

Minister for Education Norma Foley TD attended a special celebration in Marino on 20 June to mark the graduation of the Class of 22 Established Bridging Programme and the Class of 23 Tailored Bridging Programme for Ukrainian Teachers, as well as the cohort of internationally educated teachers who finished the programme in December 2022.



## SCoTENS project with Migrant Families

Home-school partnerships with migrant families – a way forward on the island of Ireland (Dr Barbara O'Toole and Richeal Ní Thiarnaigh). Ongoing work with Barbara Skinner and Maria Stewart from University of Ulster, Coleraine, and Anne-Sophie Cocault, ESOL specialist.

This North-South research project is funded by the SCoTENS and is a collaboration between staff in MIE and the University of Ulster, Coleraine.

- ▶ Weekly planning meetings
- ▶ Dr Barbara O'Toole and Richeal Ní Thiarnaigh travelled to St Kevin's School, Belfast on Friday 28 April for a focus group discussion & workshop with staff and parents, organised by the SCoTENS team
- ▶ Dr Barbara O'Toole and Richeal Ní Thiarnaigh attended St Catherine's SNS, Cabra for a focus group discussion and workshop with staff and parents on 5 May, organised by the SCoTENS team

## TOBAR

The TOBAR Project has been conducting numerous workshops in primary and post-primary schools to raise awareness about the available supports and pathways for young individuals from the Traveller community who are interested in pursuing a career in teaching. The objective for TOBAR is on establishing and nurturing connections with schools, developing relationships with families and potential students, engaging with community organisations.

The activities for TOBAR in this quarter included: Supporting students and families, bespoke open days and participating in Traveller Culture Awareness events. One TOBAR student attended MIE for the PME interview on 8 June with potential entry into the PME programme in September 2023. Targets are met for this past year with seven workshops carried out in primary schools, 13 in post primary and three in further education settings.

The TG4 documentary entitled 'Misneach', which aired on 11 January, told the story of one group of Irish Travellers who are making their way through university life. Filmed last year, the programme featured Claire Joyce, who spoke so eloquently about her journey as a student teacher and the impact of the TOBAR project in enabling her to access initial teacher education. Claire graduated from the PME programme in December 2022.





**Erasmus+:**  
**Supporting Inclusion and Diversity in Teaching Project (SIDiT)**

This was the final year of SIDiT, an ERASMUS+ project with partners in Greece, Italy, Belgium and Croatia. The aim of SIDiT was to develop a teaching and learning approach to include children from diverse backgrounds. The team in MIE, led by Miriam Colum, included Dr Maja Haals Brosnan, Dr Aiveen Mullally, Dr SORCHA Browne Byrne and Dr Barbara O'Toole. The team was responsible for compiling a toolkit that focused on inclusive practices for children from migrant backgrounds. The toolkit comprises theoretical insights into intercultural inclusion, practical approaches for preparing a culturally responsive environment and the compilation of lesson scenarios for teachers in the classrooms. The toolkit is available to download at: [www.siditproject.eu/deliverables](http://www.siditproject.eu/deliverables)

Other activities carried out over the three years were partner meetings in each country, MIE hosted a SIDiT conference in February of this year; the development of an online teacher training course (TTC) and policy recommendations for intercultural education. Dr Alison Egan developed the online platform for the TTC. MIE hosted an online conference in year two with a keynote from Dr Rory McDaid on the importance of inclusion for migrant children.

The final meeting of the project was held in Athens and it hosted the European Symposium for Inclusivity in Schools, Friday 9 June at the Goethe Institut, Athens. Dr Alison Egan gave the keynote at the final meeting in Athens in June. The project was a huge success and we will continue to engage with partners as we disseminate the Teaching Toolkit.

**DICE**

Dr David Nyaluke, Proudly Made in Africa, co-facilitated a workshop on trade justice with BEd 4 elective group, 'The World in the Classroom', 15 September.

The BEd4 elective group were given a talk on Traveller rights on 6 October.

Jane Mitchell, award-winning children's author, spoke about her recent novel focusing on Direct Provision in Ireland, 'Run for your Life'. Education Studies 2 group, and opened to wider college audience, 11 October.

Dr Ebum Joseph, from the Institute of Anti-Racism and Black Studies (IABS) spoke on Critical Race Theory with MES students (ICLL and ECE), 1 October.

School visits to MIE were organised as part of 'The World in the Classroom' BEd4 elective. Children from St Catherine's NS in Cabra visited MIE on 20 October and 10 November. Students presented a series of lessons from the 'Just Trade' resource.

Niall Quillinan, Primary Education Officer with Trócaire presented on GCE activities, materials and resources for the primary school classroom.

Vera Shanahan, Primary Education Officer with Educate Together presented on equality-based schools.

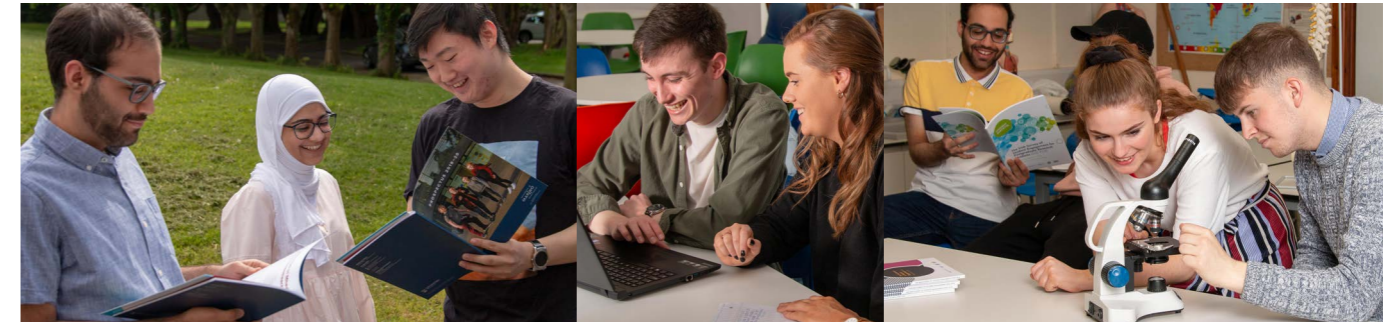
An Irish Aid workshop on the Sustainable Development Goals, led by Niamh Cartwright from the Irish Aid Centre took place on 20 April. This was followed by a display of student posters on the window of the Nagle Rice building: 'Imagining the world in 2030'.

Megan Whyte from ETBI spoke to BEd1 students about the ethos of Community National Schools, on 18 April.

Dr Barbara O'Toole attended the presentations of the Trócaire Game Changers winning entries, from primary and post-primary schools, at the Helix in Ballymun on 22 May.

# Diversity and Inclusion

AT MIE



**Introduction to Black Studies**

*Introduction to Black Studies* webinar for staff and students took place on 9 February, with Maynooth University and the Institute for Anti-racism and Black Studies.

**Autism Friendly Campus**

As chair of the Autism Friendly Campus, Suzy Macken has liaised with the entire committee to complete the draft application for the Aslam panel. The Autism Friendly Campus Committee has conducted Sensory Surveys of all areas on campus which will be used to formulate an action plan going forward into Stage 2 (9 months).

**Visit to University of Education Salzburg Stefan Zweig**

Dr Seán Delaney, Miriam Colum and a representative of the Department of Education travelled to Salzburg in Austria to visit the University of Education Salzburg Stefan Zweig to meet students and staff associated with their programme for students with intellectual disabilities to become classroom assistants. This is consistent with an action under Goal 5 of the Strategic Plan, "We will promote access, equity and diversity in education" namely 'Create an accredited course for people with intellectual and learning disabilities'.

**International Foundation Programme**

In the sixth year of the programme, there were 115 final offers accepted on the programme with 110 students successfully registering in September, representing 23 different nationalities.

Our IFP Ukrainian students held a presentation on their experiences of life since the War began on 24 February. The management of this process and the support given to the students by the staff on the IFP and the Institute in general has been exemplary.

The students have also been engaged in the International

Women's Day events and on 23 March the students hosted their annual poster presentation project in the Sports Hall. Following their recent field study at Newgrange, this historic site formed the focus of their posters, and they explored the site from various perspectives which are relevant to their future studies in medical science, social studies, engineering, business etc. Our thanks to Brendan White and all the team for organising these events.

Dr Derek Murphy organised one-day placements for a number of prospective medical students on the IFP. The placements are in an outpatient clinic of Crumlin Children's Hospital and students, individually, shadow and observe various members of the medical team.

**Lecturers Forum Day Mater Dei**

Dr Aiveen Mullally, Dr Gerry O'Connell, Dr Lily Barry and Joe Tynan attended the RE Lecturers' Forum Day, hosted by the Mater Dei Centre for Catholic Education in DCU, 30 August 2022.

**Visit to Stranmillis University College, Belfast**

Dr Rory McDaid, Dr Gene Mehigan and Prof Teresa O'Doherty visited Stranmillis University College, Belfast on 15 September. We received a very warm welcome from Prof Jonathan Heggarty (President), Dr Noel Purdy (Director of Research) and the extended team at Stranmillis. We had thoroughly engaging discussions on research and other potential synergies.

**Framework for the Recognition of Qualification to Teach Ethical, Multi-Belief and Values Education in Educate Together and Community National Schools**

Dr Aiveen Mullally attended the inaugural meeting as the MIE representative on the development committee for the Framework for the Recognition of Qualification to Teach Ethical, Multi-Belief and Values Education in Educate Together and Community National Schools on 17 October.



# Wellness and Chaplaincy

AT MIE

## Beginning of Academic Year Mass

On 6 October, we held one of our most enjoyable annual ceremonies – a Mass to celebrate the opening of the academic year. Mass was concelebrated by Archbishop Dermot Farrell and Monsignor Dan O'Connor, with Deacon Gerard Reilly assisting. In addition to a very large number of staff and students from MIE, principals, staff and students from the following schools attended: Ardscoil Rís; St. David's Artane; Coláiste Mhuire; St. Mary's Glasnevin; Our Lady of Victories Girls' National School, Ballymun; Our Lady Immaculate SNS, Darndale; St Michaels, Skerries; St. Michael's Special School, Ballymun; and the Education Officer, St. Michaels House group.

## Artists in Residence

Earlier this year several members of the Department of Arts, Mathematics, PE and Early Childhood collaborated on an application for two funded YPCE (Young People, Children, Education) residencies from the Arts Council. The team, in partnership with selected artists, were successful and €40,000 has been awarded to support the residencies for this academic year in MIE. Artists in residence Colm Ó Foghlú, Duffy Mooney-Sheppard and her collaborator Darren Yorke embarked on a consultation phase with staff and students across the Institute.

Colm Ó Foghlú, in collaboration with the Arts team held a handbell workshop for staff and students on 13 September. Later in the month, Colm and Eileen Keane (lecturer in Visual Arts) created a temporary installation based on MIE's collection of Maria Simmond Gooding's work. The installation drew on the natural synergies between Colm and Maria's work, both drawing inspiration from life on and the evacuation of the Blasket Islands. The installation coincided with the national celebration of Culture Night on 23 of September.

## NCCA Development Group

Dr Suzy Macken was accepted to the NCCA Development group for the new Primary school curriculum and attended an event at the Hodson Bay Hotel in Athlone on 10 November. As part of the Wellbeing Group, Suzy will continue to work towards the development of the new Wellbeing Curriculum as part of a larger group with representatives from schools, other third level providers, union representative and wider educational bodies.

## The Body Project

Lynne Chen, MIE Student Counsellor, and Feargal Ó Laighin, Department of Inclusion, RE and Student Life, invited students to engage in 'The Body Project'. The Body Project is intended for students influenced by appearance ideals. It is the first scientifically supported workshop program focusing on body image. Over 80% of college-age men and women feel pressured to be a certain weight or have a certain appearance. Exposure to unrealistic ideals through the media can have a devastating effect on self-esteem and the body image of yourself and others. The Body Project is effective in challenging students' perspectives on the ultra-thin ideal and creating a more positive image of themselves. Push back against the unrealistic cultural messages about the 'ideal' body, as well as how to promote acceptance of diverse body sizes. Participants will also learn concrete skills to challenge the traditional stereotypes, and champion body positivity.



# Wellness and Chaplaincy

AT MIE

## Chaplaincy Team

A new chaplaincy team has been formed. The team consists of Dr Lily Barry, Miriam Colum, Ciarán Fogarty, Andrea Uí Chianáin, Feargal Ó Laighin, Cian Mac Aodhagáin, Edmond Gubbins, Joe Tynan and Marie Whelton. The new student representative on the team is Ava Smith, who is a BSc Education Studies 1 student. As always the Team:

- ▶ were present to bereaved members of MIE Community, on behalf of MIE, through email, telephone and card;
- ▶ communicated with the MIE Community in accordance with the wishes of the bereaved;
- ▶ provided bereaved students with information about other support services offered at MIE and referred students to counsellor where appropriate.

## Capacitar Workshop

Dr Aiveen Mullally facilitated a Capacitar Self-Care and Wellness Workshop for fifteen students and staff on 17 October.

## Meitheal Meeting

The Meitheal team is an informal gathering of staff who come together to ensure that support services are complementing one another. This grouping has emerged from a concern that there may be an overlap in provision but also to ensure that there are no gaps in the experience for students. The members of this team include: Aimie Brennan, Dr Aiveen Mullally, Breed Murphy, Brendan White, Cian Mac Aodhagáin, Ciarán Ó Mathuna, Deirdre Flynn, Genevieve Larkin, Gerry O'Connell, Dr Lily Barry, Lynne Chen, Miriam Colum, Dr Sandra Austin, Shauna Cassidy, Student Union President and Dr Suzy Macken.

## Do Good Seek Justice

18–25 January was the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2023: “Do Good, Seek Justice”. Dr Lily Barry was the keynote speaker at the Inter-Diocesan R.E teachers’ conference held in Carlow on 24 January.

## Dancing with the Stars workshop & Healthy Snack Demo

A number of wellness events were held in January including a dance workshop with Maurizio Benenato from RTE’s Dancing with The Stars, and a healthy snack demo with Dublin player & nutritionist Kate McDaid, both held 17 January. On 18 January an Irish-language yoga class hosted by Ciarán from Óga Yoga, and a Play workshop with Artist-in-Residence Darren Yorke were held. MIE’s other Artist-In-Residence Duffy Mooney on 19 January held a Paper Weaving wellness workshop.



# Wellness and Chaplaincy

AT MIE

## Employee Assistance Programme providers

A full staff meeting was held on 10 February. As part of this meeting we had a presentation from Jonathan Cody, Account Manager, from Inspire, who are our Employee Assistance Programme providers. He explained the supports that the service can provide and advised people that the resource is available for their family members’ use also. To date, there has been a moderate uptake of the service and it is hoped that following this presentation, there is a deeper understanding of the services and engagement will increase.

## Round Table Event ‘Catholic Schools and Climate Justice’

Dr Aiveen Mullally organised the annual Round Table Discussion and Dinner on 8 March as part of the work of the Centre for Religious Education. The theme this year was ‘Catholic Schools and Climate Justice’ and the guest speaker was Dr Lorna Gold. 61 participants from different stakeholders in Catholic education attended the event.

## Catholic Education Partnership

Alan Hynes, CEO of the Catholic Education Partnership (CEP) met with Professor Teresa O’Doherty (President), Miriam Colum (Head of Department) and the RE team on 20 March to discuss the work of the CEP and the role of third-level education in Catholic education.

## Muslim Sisters of Éire

On 18 April Dr Lily Barry attended an event in DCU to hand over money raised for the Muslim Sisters of Éire; a registered charity serving meals to the homeless in Dublin. DCU were involved in an ‘Easter Chick’ campaign to raise money and Marino supported this event and raised €200. Marino staff and students were commended for their efforts and support.

## Walking Meditation of the Labyrinth

On the 20 April 34 fourth-class pupils from Scoil Mobhí, Glasnevin joined BOid 1 Corpoideachas on campus. Following the lesson and mini-lessons delivered by BOid 1 student teachers the fourth class students and teachers joined Dr Lily Barry for a walking meditation of the Labyrinth. The students loved the experience and it was a lovely way to mark their visit to us here in Marino.

## Turkey/Syria Earthquake Appeal

Catherine Harrington and Miriam Colum organised a special visit on 27 March from Catherine’s two nephews Ryan (aged 9) and Archie (aged 4). Ryan saved up his money from birthdays, Christmas and other celebrations and spent that money on nappies, toys, food and books to donate to the Turkey/ Syria earthquake appeal. Ryan and Archie also donated some of their own toys they no longer use but want other children to enjoy them. The visit was supported by students and members of the Chaplaincy team.







# Wellness and Chaplaincy

AT MIE

## Ramadan

The period 22 March to 20 April marked the season of Ramadan. Our Muslim students and community were supported through emails, posters and prayers to support their journey throughout this month.

## Interreligious Dialogue Advisory Group

Dr Aiveen Mullally attended the Interreligious Dialogue Advisory Group for the Irish Catholic Bishops Conference

## Retreat on Inis Mór

Dr Aiveen Mullally organised and facilitated a spirituality retreat on Inis Mór (23-25 June) 'Journey of the Heart' and MIE was delighted to sponsor a number of staff to participate in this retreat.

## Artist in Residence

Great news arrived from the Arts Council that our two applications with artist Colm Ó Foghlú and lead artist Duffy Mooney Sheppard and collaborator Darren Yorke have been successful. A total of €40,000 has been awarded from the Arts Council to support the artists continued work in MIE for the next academic year.

## Voice of the Child Regarding Religious Education

Dr Aiveen Mullally was involved in field research and data collection in a primary school in Maynooth for the research project on the Voice of the Child Regarding Religious Education. This project is a collaborative research project with RE colleagues in Mary Immaculate College and Dublin City University.

## Kindness, Learning and Helping Others:

### The story of Edmund Rice

The Chaplaincy, in collaboration with Feargal Ó Laighin and Miriam Colum, representing the Department of Inclusion, Religious Education and Student Life welcomed 75 students and their teachers from Scoil Mhuire, Griffith Avenue, for the presentation of their prizes for the Edmund Rice art competition. The competition entitled: Kindness, Learning and Helping Others: The story of Edmund Rice, was judged by Dr Joan Kiely and Dr Gene Mehigan and the prizes were presented by Joan. Joan and Gene congratulated the group on their wonderful work and Joan spoke about how they chose the winners. She explained that we were looking for some facts on Edmund and his life and work and accompanying pictures.

## Respond

Chaplaincy welcomed Respond staff and families on 22 June to tour the campus and meet staff and students who will be involved with them in the future. The Respond Housing Hub on Gracepark Road, were the recipients of all the donations from our 'Christmas Giving Tree Appeal' in December. These families have expressed interest in working with our BSc in Education Studies students next semester on language acquisition and play sessions for the children. This day was an informal meet and greet to introduce them to key staff here in MIE who will work with them.



Building on a rich tradition of research-led and evidence-based education, MIE is moving into a new phase of research activity, characterised by an increased emphasis on applied research. During 2022-2023, we increased MIE's research exposure through hosting international conferences, engaging in collaborative projects, and using a number of platforms to enable the dissemination and communication of MIE research.

# Projects and Publications

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Research activities within the Institute are closely aligned to the Guiding Principles and strategic priorities of MIE. Research activities include targeted collaborative projects, seminars and symposia, all of which support the foregrounding of research as a priority within the Institute. MIE has drafted its inaugural Research Strategy during 2022-2023 and has committed to focusing on three key outcomes: firstly, to position the Institute as a leader in applied educational research; secondly, to increase institutional research capacity; and finally to embed an active research culture in MIE. The following examples of projects undertaken in 2022-2023 illustrate the breadth of research-informed activities being led by MIE staff which underpin the ambitions of the emerging strategy document.

## **Educational Knowledge Transfer – EKT**

This Knowledge Alliance for Higher Education project brought together the expertise of eleven institutions across six EU countries, which were either involved in initial teacher education (ITE) or were company involved in designing, developing and offering e-learning services in education. Bringing both sets of leaders together, provided a unique opportunity for technology users and developers to understand the learning needs of future teachers. The project specifically sought to improve the practices around school placements and spanned the period of the global pandemic. The Irish team was led by Dr Alison Egan, who with Dr Miriam Colum and John Hurley of H2Learning piloted materials with students.

## **The ALPACA Project**

In February 2022 the ALPACA (Assessing Letter Knowledge and Phonemic Awareness Classroom App) project was granted funding of €300,000 through the Enterprise Ireland Commercialisation Fund to create and develop an evidence-based, digital tool to assess young children's early literacy skills. The purpose of ALPACA is principally to:

- ▶ identify children's foundational literacy skills and inform the instruction required for them to become successful readers; and
- ▶ regularly monitor the progress of children who are receiving instruction in phonemic awareness and letter knowledge.

Dr Jennifer O'Sullivan, MIE and a team of colleagues from Trinity College Dublin and Learnovate have developed a digital tool to assess children's phonemic awareness skills and letter knowledge (ALPACA). It is hoped that the time efficient manner and the ease of usability of the digital tool will promote the assessment of young children's early literacy skills in schools. A year-long school trial of the tool was implemented and ALPACA was administered in a range of schools both within Ireland and abroad (Northern Ireland, Texas, Malaysia, and Dubai).

This innovative project has the capacity to impact positively on the capacity of schools to identify children at risk of reading delays/difficulties at an early stage and was shortlisted for the IBEC 'Outstanding Academic Achievement of the Year' technology award.



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## CoSTaR (Communities of Student Teachers as Readers) Project

Clara Fiorentini is engaged in the CoSTaR Project – Communities of Student Teachers as Readers, a read-aloud support project for initial teacher education students in collaboration with Dr Geraldine Magennis, St Mary’s University College, Belfast. A central part of becoming an effective practitioner involves being highly literate as well as being able to teach literacy effectively. Thus, life skills such as literacy and in particular reading, form a core element of primary teaching and learning. For that reason, this project offers student teachers a variety of collaborative experiences centred on the ‘read-aloud’ approach to teaching. There are four phases and each one will afford students the chance to increase their knowledge and skills around choosing, planning, and performing read aloud lessons for use on school placement and in their future teaching careers. Involvement in this research project supports student teachers in preparing and planning for the utilisation of ‘read-aloud’ methodologies in the primary classroom. Project content involves modelling, planning structures, book recommendations and feedback on performance. Phase Two of this Project took place across February & March as BEd1 and PME1 students engaged in read-aloud planning clinics.

## Learners as Co-Creators of their own Learning (LeCoLe)

LeCoLe was a 29 month Erasmus+ project that came to completion in 2023; this project explored the experience and best practice of partner countries in supporting active engagement of learners (both students and teachers) in planning, implementation and evaluation of the learning process for them to become co-creators of their own learning within collaborative learning process. The project was co-ordinated by the National Education Content Centre (Latvia), with partners from Marino Institute of Education (Ireland), Education Development Center (Latvia); the Ministry of Education and Science (Portugal), the European Education & Learning Institute (Greece) and the University of Iceland (Iceland).

Dr Aimie Brennan had a lead role in the production of a Podcast series “Learners as Co-creators of Their Own Learning” which aimed to raise educators’ awareness, increasing their knowledge and deepening their understanding of multiple modes of instruction and learning that support active engagement of learners in the learning process and different contexts.

A symposium on Co-Creation in Education, led by Dr Aimie Brennan and Dr Colleen Horn, took place at MIE on 27 April 2023. Guest speakers included Hannah Kelly, Programme Manager of the National Student Engagement Programme (NStEP) who spoke about the importance of student voice in decision making; and Robbie Irwin who provided a workshop on the use of technology to encourage student and pupil engagement in teaching and learning.

Recognising the centrality of the Student Voice in Quality Assurance and Enhancement, MIE is delighted to have partnered with colleagues on this programme of work. The project produced a digital archive on co-creation in teaching-learning process in and outside the classroom and access to this archive is available at: <https://lecole.hi.is>

## EREBB (Edmund Rice Education Beyond Borders) Activities

### Online Leadership Course

The 11th round of the EREBB Online Leadership Course began, under the moderation of Dr Aiveen Mullally, with participants from Australia, Canada, Ireland, Kenya, South Africa and Uruguay, on 26 September 2022.

### EREBB Global Congress

MIE invited delegates from the Global Congress held in DCU to visit MIE as part of the pre-congress immersion programme. MIE was delighted to host 180 delegates on 15 May where Ciarán Fogarty gave a lecture on MIE as the birthplace of the global Edmund Rice education movement, and both Dr Aiveen Mullally and Dr Lily Barry facilitated a ritual in the church. This was followed by dinner for all in the dining hall.

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## InSCOPE - Inclusive and Sustainable Post-Covid Pedagogy: Exploring Quality Practices in ECEC Across Countries Post-Covid

Funded by an KA2 Erasmus grant, this project explores and exchanges experiences of how pedagogical knowledge and practices that enhance inclusion, diversity and equality were balanced with Covid-19 restrictions in ECEC settings during the pandemic. This project seeks to develop new knowledge about how such inclusive practice can be sustained into the future and through crisis times. Led by Dr Maja Haals Brosnan (PI MIE) and Dr Rhona Stallard together with partners from UCSYD (Denmark) and University Nord (Norway) this project began in 2023 and will complete in December 2025.

## Marino Storytime Project

The 22nd iteration of the Marino Storytime Project, led by Dr Joan Kiely, took place at MIE on 19 October (induction workshop for parents) and 7 December 2022 (graduation ceremony for children and parents). Sixty five parents and sixty five children received seven picture books to read and to engage in the process of dialogic story-reading, a form of shared reading that focuses on the development of children’s oral language and children’s agency. Over one thousand families from the North Dublin city area have participated in the project to date, which has been running for thirteen years. The Marino Storytime Project speaks to MIE’s third and sixth guiding principles, namely to provide education programmes to support and empower the marginalised and to assist parents to fulfill the responsibilities of their role as educators.

## Evaluation of Better Start with a Particular Focus on the Better Start National Early Years Quality Development Service (QDS)

The Centre for Effective Services (CES), in partnership with members of Marino Institute of Education, are undertaking

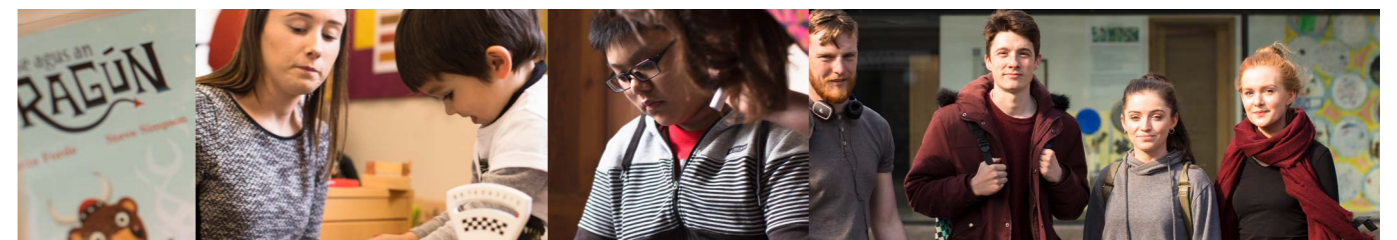
an evaluation of Better Start, with a focus on the Better Start National Early Years Quality Development Service (QDS). The research, which is funded by the Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth, seeks to answer the following questions:

1. Does Better Start QDS contribute to improved quality of practice in early learning and care settings?
2. Does Better Start QDS contribute to improved outcomes?
3. Is the current approach appropriate in the national context?

To answer these questions, the evaluation team proposes the use of a ‘pragmatic evaluation design’ which utilises multiple research methods to assess the implementation, outputs, outcomes and appropriateness of a complex programme with a report due by December 2023.

## A Literature Review to Support Curriculum Specification Development for the Area of Arts Education

As part of the review of the Primary School Curriculum, the National Council for Curriculum and Assessment invited tenders to undertake a literature to support the work of the Council in revising the approach to and content of Arts education in primary schools. A team from MIE and TCD, namely, Prof Carmel O’Sullivan (PI) (TCD), Dr Elaine Clotworthy (PI) (MIE), Dr Mary Nugent (MIE), Dr Susanne Colleary (TCD), Dr Eileen Keane Niland (MIE), Dr Edmond Gubbins (MIE) and Dr Marita Kerin (TCD) undertook this project to deliver a comprehensive literature review to support the NCCA in the development of a curriculum specification for the curriculum area of Arts Education.







# Infrastructural Projects

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## Library projects:

### Collection assessment project

MIE has developed a new collection development policy in response to the KPIs in the strategic plan. Implementation of this policy has involved a deep analysis of our current stocks, a comprehensive reading list audit, and a citation analysis of staff and student research, which have been used to evaluate the strengths and gaps within print and online resources to further support research, teaching, and learning. The library hopes to diversify and enrich our print collections, expand access to digital resources and research publications, and acquire a versatile range of equipment to support teaching and learning. This project is dedicated to meeting the evolving needs of our user base and advancing the educational and research objectives of the Institute.

### Library Management System

Library staff began work on a significant systems project by scoping requirements and choosing a modern open-source library services platform including electronic resource management and next generation analytics. Implementation of Folio officially commenced in November, marking a significant milestone in the journey towards seamlessly connecting students and staff to the library's collections.

### Reading List software

To streamline resource management and enhance the overall learning experience for our students, the library has initiated a Reading List software implementation project. Scheduled for rollout in 2024, this project will play a pivotal role in promoting access to diverse and up-to-date materials. By digitising reading materials and providing a user-friendly platform for curating and accessing reading lists, the Library is actively supporting the new digital and research strategies within the Institute, ultimately enhancing the accessibility and usage of educational resources.

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## IT and eLearning update

### Quality Review

The IT Department underwent an external quality review in December 2022. As part of that review, a self-assessment report was submitted to an external panel who were invited to attend MIE for two days in December where various departments and stakeholders were invited to meet with the panel. As a result, the IT department received 22 suggested recommendations for quality improvement and these were mapped to MIE's Digital Strategy. As such, a comprehensive plan of action and quality improvement for the next three years is underway in the IT Department.

### Wi-Fi Project

Martin Lynch, Patrick Geary & Andy Carroll completed a site survey of Wi-Fi connectivity to identify 'blackspots' in our provision across all buildings in MIE; with an end goal of ensuring 'always on' connectivity for all staff and students. This project is a key deliverable of MIE's strategic plan and MIE's Wi-Fi systems were upgraded as a result.

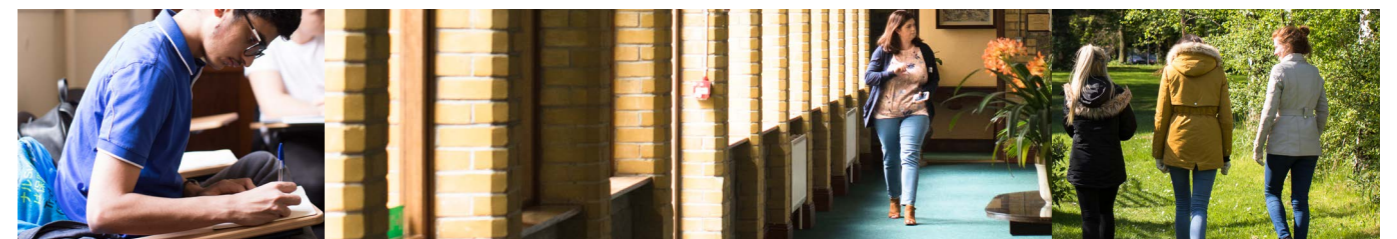
## Facilities and Estates Projects

This year has been a busy year for Facilities and Estates as we addressed a number of items coming from the Contingency Planning Group, health & safety, sustainability and building fronts, as we continue to look after Campus and prepared to welcome increased numbers of students.

The largest work involved the creation of two new classrooms in St Patrick's Hall. There was considerable internal work required to remove old infrastructure and a number of dividing walls. In conjunction with the IT and eLearning department, we have remodeled the Computer Room and the new seating has really improved the space, making it a more collaborative and flexible space.

The installation of the solar PV panels on the Nagle Rice roof delivered 50KwH of solar PV and was supported by Veolia and some SEAI grant funding. New storage in the Sports Hall increased the size of the Student Fitness Room while the new 'walk through' which links the Cloister Courtyard and the Student Courtyard has been well received. Improvements were made to Campus lighting, some dying trees were removed and new water tanks were installed in St Patrick's Hall. In St Mary's, a full roof survey was conducted, immediate remedial works were completed and the main electrical board was replaced.

Cairn has commenced the construction of the Gate Lodge which will provide a base for security staff and will improve vehicular access to the Campus when complete.







## Buaicphointí na Bliana!

Tá réimse leathan seirbhísí ar fáil againn anseo in Institiúid Oideachais Marino trí mheán na Gaeilge. Déantar freastal ar mhic léinn, ar bhaill foirne agus ar chuariteoirí ar mian leo a ngnó a dhéanamh trí mheán na Gaeilge ar an gCampas. Tá IOM tiomanta do mheas a bheith againn ar thraidisiúin chultúrtha agus teanga na hÉireann chomh maith le bheith inár mbaill de phobal an domhain. I gcomhthéacs na hionchuimsitheachta agus oideachais do mhúinteoirí, tá tábhacht ar leith ag baint leis an nGaeilge i Marino. Idir an Scéim Chónaithe trí mheán na Gaeilge agus an Cumann Gaelach, eagraíonn ag Roinn na Gaeilge agus an Cumann Gaelach an-chuid imeachtaí agus deiseanna chun an Ghaeilge a chur chun cinn ar fud na hInstitiúide do bhaill foirne agus do na mac léinn.

### Oide na Ceirde: Aistí d'Aodán Mac Suibhne in Ómós a Shaothair san Oideachas

Rinne an Dr Marie Whelton agus an Dr Claire Dunne eagarthóireacht ar chnuasach aistí d'Aodán Mac Suibhne mar gheall ar an gcion a rinne sé i saol na Gaeilge agus i saol an oideachais. Tá aistí sa chnuasach ó pheann na ndaoine seo a leanas: Caoileann Ní Dhonnchadha, Caoimhe Máirtín, an Dr Claire M. Dunne, an Dr Cui Ying Gao, Denis Forde, Diarmaid Ó Murchú, Éamon Ó Murchú, an Dr Gene Mehigan, an Dr Josie Nugent, an tOllamh Liam Mac Mathúna, Madeleine Ní Ghallchobhair, an Dr Máire Nic an Bhaird, an Dr Máire Nuinseann, an Dr Marie Whelton, Pat Fanning, Peadar Mac Giolla Bhríghde, Peadar Ó Conaire, Ray Mac Mánaís, Seán de Brún, Tomás Ó Dochartaigh agus an Dr Treasa Kirk.

### Comhairliúchán Poiblí don Pholasaí don Oideachas Lán-Ghaeilge

Bhí an-áthas ar Roinn na Gaeilge páirt ghníomhach a ghlacadh sa chomhairliúchán poiblí atá ar siúl ag an Roinn Oideachais chun polasaí nua don oideachas lán-Ghaeilge lasmuigh den Ghaeltacht a fhorbairt. Ba dheis iontach í ár dtaithe a roinnt maidir le tacú le scoileanna lán-Ghaeilge agus scoileanna Gaeltachta.

### Oireachtas na Gaeilge

Thug slua ó Institiúid Oideachais Marino, idir mhic léinn agus léachtóirí, aghaidh ar Chill Airne chun páirt a ghlacadh in Oireachtas na Samhna. Bhuaigh Ray Mac Mánaís an chéad áit sa chomórtas Amhrán Nua-Chumtha, sa chomórtas Dráma Raidió agus an dara duais sa chomórtas Dreas Cainte. Bhuaigh Caoileann Ní Dhonnchadha an tríú duais sa chomórtas Lúibíní. Ghlac Claire Dunne páirt i bpainéal plé ar an scríbhneoir Cathal Ó Sándair.

### Ardsocrúchán Scoile sa Ghaeltacht

Thug an chéad ghrúpa den BOid. faoin Ardsocrúchán Scoile sa Ghaeltacht in Eanáir 2023. Ba dheis iontach í seo chun taithe a fháil ar an oideachas i scoileanna Gaeltachta agus maireachtáil sa phobal Gaelach. Thug Richeal Ní Thiarnaigh an-tacaíocht do na mic léinn le hiad a ullmhú don socrúchán speisialta seo.

### Cuntas Instagram Sceitimíneach

Chruthaigh Caoileann Ní Dhonnchadha cuntas Instagram Sceitimíneach chun postálacha rialta a roinnt leis na mic léinn maidir le smaointe do mhúineadh na Gaeilge, frásaí cabhracha agus samplaí de mhíreanna gramadaí i gcomhthéacs. Tá go leor leantóirí againn cheana féin!





## Buaicphointí na Bliana!

### Seachtain na Gaeilge

Bhí an-áthas ar Roinn na Gaeilge agus ar an gCumann Gaelach An Cheathrú Ghaeltachta a athoscailt. D'éagraigh an tOifigeach Gaeilge Robbie Irwin go leor imeachtaí spreagúla do Sheachtain na Gaeilge ina measc turas go Ráth Chairn, céilí agus biongó.

### Céilí House

Rinneadh taifeadadh ar an gclár Céilí House i Marino faoi stiúir an Dr Edmond Gubbins and an Dr Máire Nuinseann. Ghlac go leor daoine ó phobal Institiúid Oideachais Marino páirt ann.

### Cuairt Laureate na nÓg

Thug Laureate na nÓg Áine Ní Ghlinn cuairt ar an gcampas agus labhair sí le BOid. 3 mar gheall ar a tionscadal An Bosca Leabharlainne. Ghlac na mic léinn páirt i ngníomhaíochtaí spreagúla chun léitheoireacht na Gaeilge a chur chun cinn mar chaitheamh aimsire.

### Gaeilge na hAlban

Thacaigh an Dr Marie Whelton le beirt mhac léinn, Alex Mac Seóin agus Triona Ní Shúilleabháin agus iad ag cur isteach ar Scéim Miondeontas Cholmcille. Comhghairdeas le Alex agus Triona as sparánacht a ghnóthachtáil chun tréimhse a chaitheamh i Sabhal Mòr Ostaig ar an Eilean Sgitheanach chun Gaeilge na hAlban a fhoghlaim.

### Conradh an BOid.

Is cúis mhór áthais dúinn gur éirigh le hInstitiúid Oideachais Marino an conradh a bhuachan don BOid. arís. Chuaigh Aodán Mac Suibhne, Caoileann Ní Dhonnchadha, an Dr Claire Dunne agus an tUachtarán, an tOllamh Teresa O'Doherty go dtí an Roinn Oideachais chun bualadh leis an Aire Oideachais, Norma Foley, ar an 31 Bealtaine chun an conradh nua a fhógairt go hoifigiúil.







# Subsidised Accommodation

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On-site accommodation for the 2022-2023 academic year was fully booked in advance of the commencement of classes. Demonstrating our efforts to be inclusive of those moving to Dublin to study at MIE, those from diverse backgrounds and non-traditional entrants to education will be a key point in messaging surrounding providing this accommodation to those most in need.

## On-campus accommodation

On campus accommodation at MIE is provided by Eber and is conveniently located on campus. The apartments are recently refurbished to suit the students' needs, with modern furnishing and appliances. Each student has their own bedroom with a small double bed, and their own bathroom fitted with a shower. A key card system is in place for secure and convenient access to apartments. Security cover is provided to ensure the safety of residents.

Eber puts extra emphasis on the social aspect of student life, giving residents plenty of opportunities to mix. They host activities such as quizzes, fancy dress events and movie nights.

## MIE Student Accommodation Scheme 2022 - 2023

The MIE Student Accommodation scheme is a scheme put in place by MIE to provide much needed support to our incoming first year students during their first year of their new and exciting college life. This scheme is aimed at those who are economically disadvantaged. For 2022-2023, MIE offered up to eight single occupancy rooms in the on-campus accommodation at the reduced rate of €160 per week to first year students. This year there was a small number of twin rooms available at the rate of €125 per week.



## Eligibility

Places on the MIE Student Accommodation Scheme will be awarded to first time students, studying at MIE, from low-income households for the first year of their studies, and priority will be given to:

- HEAR students
- DARE students
- Students from a designated Gaeltacht area
- Students with a disability
- First-time mature students
- Members of the Traveller and Roma community
- Further education award holders
- Lone parents who are in receipt of a means-tested social welfare payment
- Ethnic minorities
- Refugees, those with leave to remain, and Asylum Seekers

## Off-campus accommodation

Off-campus accommodation is normally available in the vicinity of the college. The college does not involve itself in negotiations, rental agreements or contracts with the owners of these dwellings.



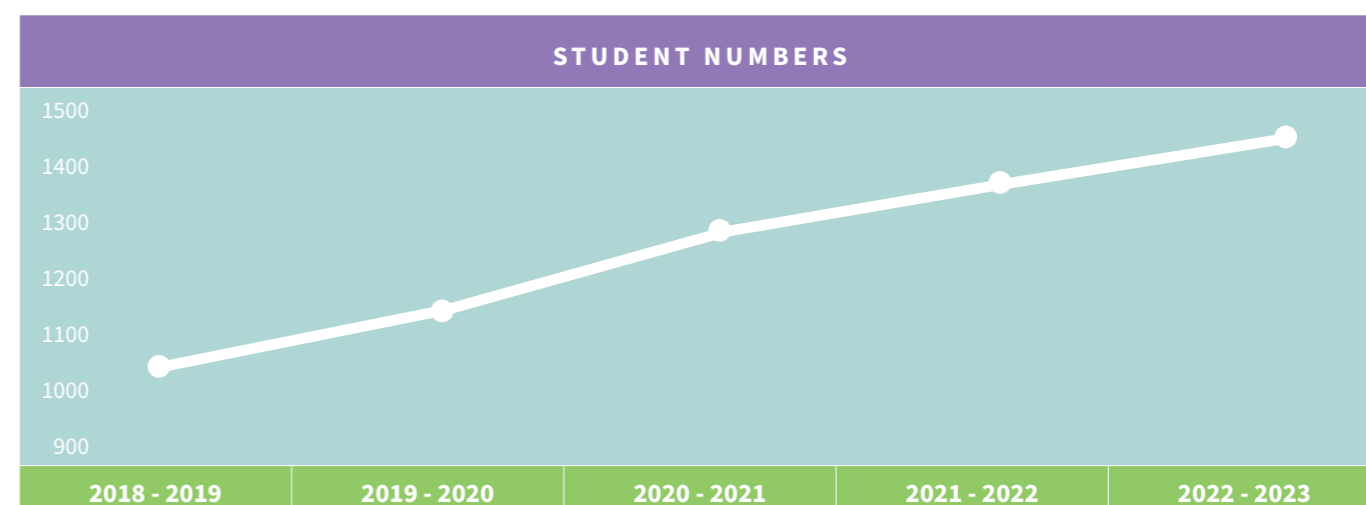
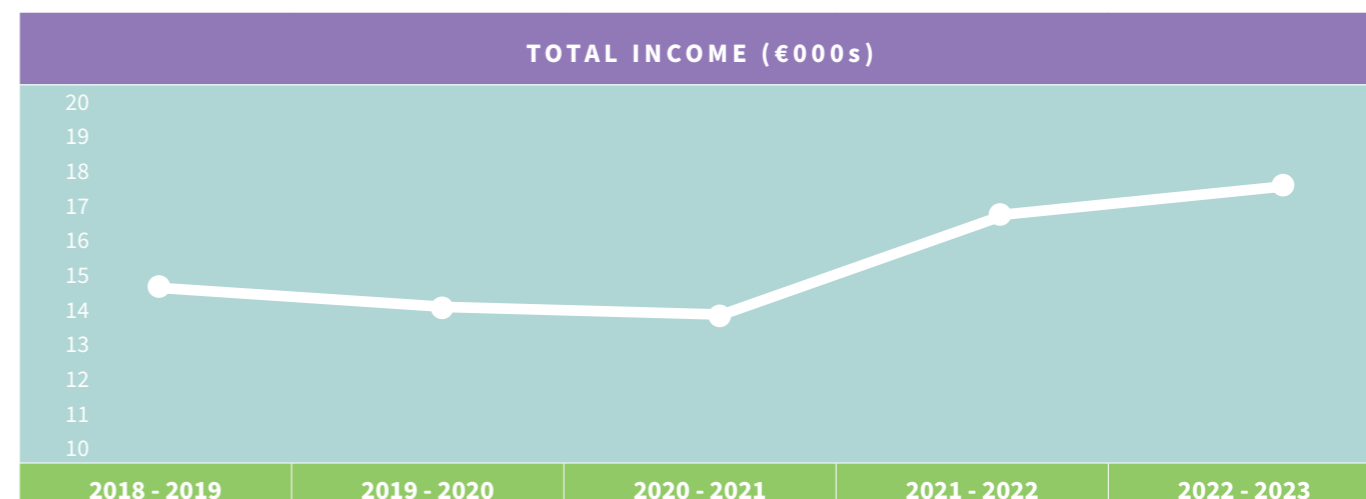
# Financial Highlights

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Total Income for the financial year as per the draft financial statements is €17.036 million and student number were 1,355 representing a further growth in student numbers of 3%.



	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023
Total income (€000s)	€ 14,459	€ 13,866	€ 13,554	€ 16,645	€ 17,036
Student Numbers	1,065	1,129	1,278	1,313	1,355
Growth in Student Numbers	25%	6%	13%	3%	3%





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