



4th Annual Kilanerin.com Poetry Competition 2014

THINK GREEN

By Nicole Kelly
(Ballyfad School)

Don't pollute the water,
Don't pollute the air,
Stop throwing rubbish in the pond,
Ride your bike and be fair.

Don't dump your rubbish,
Don't cut down trees for wood,
Recycle anything you can,
I think you should.

Don't poach animals,
Don't destroy their habitats,
Don't turn their fur,
Into fluffy mats.

So now you know,
How to keep everything clean,
Care for the environment,
And just think green.



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4TH ANNUAL KILANERIN.COM POETRY COMPETITION 2014

June 2014

Welcome to the 4th Annual Kilanerin.com Poetry Competition. The competition is open to the 6th class students from the three parish schools, Kilanerin, Ballyfad and Ballythomas. This year saw 28 students participate in the competition.

Congratulations to the 2014 winner Nicole Kelly for her poem '*Think Green*', and to the runner-ups Caoimhe Noctor, Hanna Neville and Jason Bolger.

The judge this year was Carol Boland. Carol is a published poet, a publisher of poets, and a poetry therapist who, in 2012, ran a Self-Discovery Through Poetry session with 70 children in the Educate Together School in Gorey. Checkout <http://carolboland.blogspot.com> for more information.

Note from the Judge

The young people who entered the 4th Annual Kilanerin.com poetry competition are to be congratulated for their daring - for it takes daring to write a poem. Years ago, poetry was considered too difficult for children to write, but all the poems written by the pupils of Ballythomas, Kilanerin and Ballyfad schools certainly disprove this view. Writing poetry is natural and healthy, something that is both useful and magical. Well done to this year's winner and runners-up, and to all the daring young people who had the courage to write a poem.

Thanks

Kilanerin.com would like to thank Carol Boland for her time in judging the competition. Thanks to all the advertising sponsors who helped to get this wonderful booklet printed and also to the community secretary for all her time and help. A finally thanks to all the 6th class students and their teachers for taking the time to submit their entries, without them this annual competition would not be possible or be the success it is.

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A NEW CHAPTER

By Caoimhe Noctor
(Kilanerin School)

Already at secondary school stage
Soon I'll be working for minimum wage!
Thankfully my past has been full of laughter
Now it's time to start a new chapter
With primary school close to an end
And G.C.S just around the bend
New uniform and books it's all getting near
Feeling excited with a side course of fear!
Homework and studies, not worth the fuss
But it should be fun going in on the bus
Distinctions or fails whatever I get,
Secondary school will be the best fun yet!!

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THE ROAD TRIP

By Hannah Neville
(Kilanerin School)



It's early in the morning,
The day is just awakening,
We're off on our long journey,
Kerry is ours for the taking.

There was panic the night before,
Everyone in a hurry,
"Have we got the tickets for that tour?"
"I've found them, no need to worry!"

We've packed the car to the roof,
With food and balls and bedding.
The excitement is increasing
On our holiday we're heading

The dog is with our neighbour,
The house is locked, front and back,
We head off down the road,
Oh no! We've forgot poor Jack

Six hours later after miles of mayhem
We found the site we chose to rent
When we start unpacking,
Jack screams.... where's the tent?!

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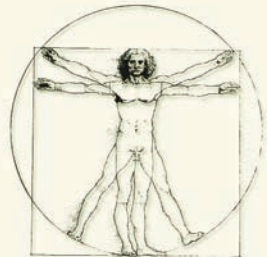
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I REMEMBER...

By Jason Bolger
(Ballythomas School)

I remember summer holidays were so fun
I remember the start of 6th class,
Now nearly done
I remember making school history
Never before won
I remember being Captain
Had to r-r-r-run-run-run.

Primary school is nearly over
And summer holidays lucky
Like a four leafed clover
All the memories I've made
I'll miss you school
Thank God that's now laid.



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RUGBY PLAYERS

By Gavin Murray
(Ballyfad School)

Rugby players come in all shapes and sizes.
They are so cool they might be a fool.
Sometimes if it is a penalty they might kick it up the line,
Hopefully they find touch, but not much.
Many rules to play,
But one is our play to stay,
My role is prop,
I'm there to stop people.

IT'S SUNNY

By David Hinch-Brady
(Kilanerlin School)

It's Sunny and its fun
School is almost done
I'd like to run and frolic
But my nephew has colic

The sky is bright and blue,
But I haven't got a clue
What should I play?
And what should I do?

SUMMER

By Nathan Bolton
(Kilanerlin School)

I can't believe it's here
The end of another school year

We've had fun in the past
But the summer will be a blast
It's the end of another school year

Summer is here,
I'll see my friends next year
It's the end of another school year

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SUMMER HOLIDAYS

By Jason Byrne
(Ballythomas School)

The holidays are here
This is my last year
Secondary will be a blast
The year went by very fast!

The last day will be fun
I'll jump around in the sun
Then I will eat a nice chocolate bun!

WORLD CUP

By Fintan Staunton
(Kilanerin School)

The world cup starting soon
In Brazil
Intense watching biting nails
Many shots but more fails
All teams in it to win it
But only one can succeed

2nd is the first loser many
Injuries a lot of bruises
Ever player putting heart and
Sail in to the winning goal
No opponents are friends just foe
Bicycle kicks many flicks
Ninety minutes has a match
The keeper makes a quick catch

With ever winner there's a loser
With ever cheer there's a groan

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WHILE GOD IS HERE

By Luke Hinch Brady
(Kilanerin School)

Oh the Air is a breeze
The sun is here
You will not freeze
Do not fear
People do not leer
The world is safe
While God is here.

NEW YORK

By Ciaran Montgomery
(Ballythomas School)

I went to New York from Cork
I had a blast it has given me memories
That will last
I had a great time
I will miss the lights and the action

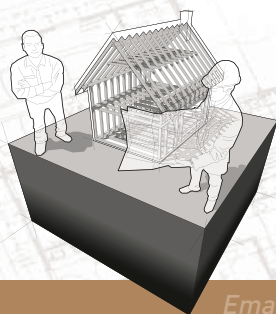
MINE CRAFT

By Ryan Leonard Smyth
(Ballyfad School)

Roses are red, Lapis are blue,
Sheep go BAA! Cows go MOO!
I wonder what this green creeper will do?
SSS BOOM!

I would go to get some wood if I could ,
Without those annoying creepers coming.,
I get the wood and craft them into planks,
To make my house and don't come out!

Night is about, the sun is about to hit the horizon.
I get into bed to rest my sleepy head.
And when I wake up a new adventure begins!



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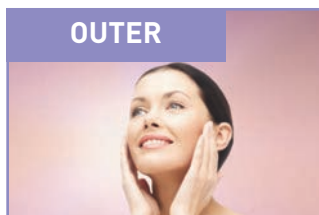
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By Sinéad Barnes
(Ballyfad School)

Books have stories full of adventures,
They can bring you to a whole other world,
Books can have Princesses and Fairies,
And even witches with adventures.

Books can be long and short,
They can be interesting and boring,
Books can be true and not true,
When they are boring,
They can have you snoring.

There are books for everyone,
Builders, scientists, cooks,
But overall I love books.

MY LIFE

By Tara Boukhima
(Kilanerin School)

Lazing in the sun
On a summers day,
Reading a book
Letting my cares fade away.

From tennis to basketball,
Gymnastics and swimming
They're all the things I love doing.

Summer oh summer it's here at last
Think to the future and not to the past,
The world a waits in all its glory
But now it's time to end my story.



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ALL SORTS

By Michael Higgins
(Kilanerin School)

Poem, poem always poems, do it at
school or do it at home.
Storing, storing always storing breaking
your back and its very boring.
Shopping, shopping always shopping till
you're old and nearly dropping.
Broken, broken always broken till you're
dead because of choking.
If this is bad throw it in the bin.
If it's good vote me to win.

LEAVING SCHOOL

By Robert Murphy
(Kilanerin School)

I'm about to leave my school,
It should be awesome and so cool,
I finally reached the end,
But a new term is around the bend.

Two months of freedom should
be enough
But after that life is going to get rough.
Head thumping, heart in a rush
Legs jumping, I'm so going to blush.

POEM

By Nicholas Colfer
(Ballythomas School)

I'm writing this poem, about a poem
that I'm writing now.
I've put a lot of thought into this
so please don't stop now

I'm writing this poem,
about a poem that I'm writing now.
People are asking if I'll stop
but I really don't know how

I'm writing this poem a poem because
I didn't know what to write.
I could have written about aliens,
school or even flying a kite.

But no I wrote a poem about poem
Because I thought it would
be something different.
So I started writing this poem
About a poem to see where it went.

Now I've finished my poem about a poem
I thought it was great fun
I've finished my poem about a poem
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SUMMER 2014

By Ciara Ryan
(Kilanerin School)

The beach is lots of fun.
We go swimming in the sea,
Playing volleyball and football.
It's really exciting to me.

My nanny and I look for seashells.
Searching, finding, picking
Collecting all the nice ones
"This one is worth keeping".

I go diving in the water,
Deep under the sea.
It's lots of fun to jump the waves.
"Oh please don't splash me!"

Summer is really fun.
You can play outside all day
Eating ice cream with my cousins.
I really wish it was summer every day.

PRIMARY FOREVER AND EVER MORE

By Tom Mordaunt
(Ballythomas School)

On the first day of school
I didn't want to go in
Didn't leave my mam's side
For I thought it would be a sin.

I love this school now
I don't want to go
Learning animals in Irish
Sicín, capall, muc agus bó.

Secondary is so near
I can't wait till summer is here
It's the end of another school year
Hoping not to shed a tear.

When summer is over
And I walk in the door
I'll still remember primary
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SUMMER

By Garbhan Finn
(Kilanerin School)

I cannot wait for summer
It will be so much fun
I might host a party
Ice cream for everyone.

I cannot wait for summer
Playing with my friends
I cannot wait for summer
Fun for everyone.

I cannot wait for summer
Seeing all the bees
I cannot wait summer
The fun never ends.

FOOTBALL MATCH

By Paddy D'Arcy
(Ballythomas School)

Outstanding
Overcarrying
Tremendous score!
Brilliant
Amazing
Lose possession,
Last minute goal!

Mam and Dad shouting
From side line,
A referee blowing the whistle,
Tackling,
Catching,
Hurray we won!

THE POEM

By William Higgins
(Kilanerin School)

I need a poem I can't think
Will I write about a shower or maybe a sink?
Will I write about my new friend Dan?
Or will I write about my brand new van?
Will I write about my really big room?
Or will I write about the pharaoh's tomb?
I'm so tired I need to sleep
I should write about a rugby heap
I'm really nervous I really need help
Maybe I'll write about seaweed and kelp
I really need one
I can't even blink
I'll have a sleep then I'll think.

NATURE

By Ruth Hempenstall
(Kilanerin School)

The dangle of the snowdrop
Grow upon the winter days
Just waiting for the Spring days
For you to wake up and
Wake up the world
With your beautiful glow
May the wind blow a soft breeze
Only to see the little mouse
With his block of cheese
Everyone loves the summer breeze
But the summer would not be the same
If the bloom of Mother Nature
Was not as green
As seeds grow from sproutlings to trees
The green of the grass, the beauty of the flowers
All come together as one beautiful thing
That makes our world beautiful.

IT'S FINALLY HERE

By Ellen Redmond
(Kilanerin School)

It's finally here
The end of a school year'
It's finally here
Time to cheer!

It's finally here
Just a few days away,
It's finally here
Almost time to play!

I can't wait to leave
Through the gate
I'm sure my friends
Can all relate!

It's finally here
I'm leaving at last
It's finally here
Summer will be a blast!

COUNTY FINAL DAY

By J. J. Kinsella O'Neill
(Ballythomas School)

School first, sick with nerves
I'm coming home with a win
I don't care if I come home with a broken leg
I want to have to win

In my way down and
The car breaks down

The Hughes, Bolger and the Jones went to Friday dinner
It was mank
Because Seán Hughes got sick!

SUMMER TIME

By Michael Fortune
(Kilanerín School)

The sun is out
It's time to play
Have water fights
Or going to the beach each day,
Winning matches,
Losing some too
But never losing hope
When Summer ends
Another school year begins
I know it's just around the bend

THE DAY HAS COME

By Shany'n McLoughlin
(Ballythomas School)

Well the day has come
Primary is nearly over.
Going to Carnew
It shall be fun!

I will miss primary
We've had lots of fun
When playing football.

Goodbye primary
It was really fun
On school tours,
Playing rugby
in the school yard.

MY LAST YEAR IN SCHOOL

By Adam Hennessy
(Kilanerín School)

This is my last year in school
Can't wait until Secondary school
It won't be a misery leaving
Because all my friends are coming with me
I've good and bad things about secondary school.

But I know it won't be a misery
Oh look it's nearly the end of school
And the last of our cleaning for the next
6th class has started
It's the last day of school
We have tidied up and we are ready
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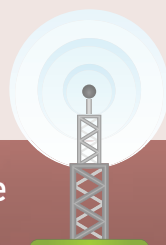
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