



SANCTA MARIA COLLEGE

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Dear Students, Parents, Past Students, Past Staff and Past Parents,

We are pleased to inform you that our College will be celebrating a Jubilee from September to November 2010 as the secondary school opened in September 1960. As you may be aware, the Mercies first came to Ballyroan in the 1930s and they did, for many years, conduct a preventorium for children in early stages of TB until that need no longer existed.

In the tradition of the Chosen People in Leviticus 25 we are proclaiming a Jubilee to re-establish old links, for a return to our own peoples and our origins. We proclaim 2010 a Jubilee for Sancta Maria! We hope and plan to revisit the past, to celebrate the many achievements of thousands of students and staff, to restore links by re-union with many who have shared our history.

Events planned so far include:

- Thursday 16th September: Launch of the Jubilee with a visit to the school of President McAleese. Balloon release of 1,000 balloons. Results of student art for calendar competition
- Friday 24th September: Mercy Day. Floral Display. Hockey Match: Sancta Maria Past Students versus Sancta Maria Students in Education
- October: Exhibition of Sancta Maria memorabilia
- Friday 12th November: 6.00pm. Buffet Evening for Past Students, Staff and Parents in the College. Exhibition of Sancta Maria memorabilia
- Sunday 14th November: All Past Students, Staff and Parents are invited to a Thanksgiving Eucharist at noon in Ballyroan Parish Church followed by buffet lunch. Tribute to our original past students
- Friday 19th November: Art Exhibition of the work of past students.

Please check this website for more specifics as the time progresses.

Sincerely,

Denise Burns,
Principal.