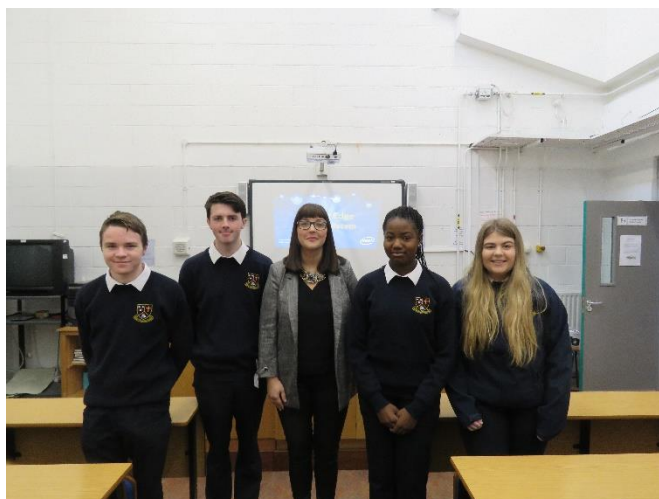


Science is in the Air at Moate Community School!

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To mark Science week 2017 in Moate Community School, we hosted a number of science themed interactive workshops throughout the week. On Monday, Bridget Molloy from Intel visited to speak to the TY students on considering a career in STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Maths). She encouraged students to take science subjects at senior level and showed the importance of STEM careers in society and the amount of job opportunities available.



On Wednesday, past and current BT Young Scientist / SciFest contestants from our school presented their projects to 2nd year classes. These projects ranged from combating the Varroa destructor mite to studying the ecological impact of a gorse fire on bog land habitats. Throughout the week there were science quizzes held for 2nd year class groups and the winning team from each go forward for the final next week. Transition Year students have been preparing and presenting some fun physics and chemistry demos for the first year science classes. The regional final for the ISTA science quiz takes place on Thursday, 16th of November, in the AIT. Three teams of sixth year students from MCS are taking part.

The corridors in the school have been lined with Science Posters with factual information about famous scientists' discoveries, the elements of the periodic table and interesting Science facts. Students and teachers engaged with all the activities for Science Week which were both fun and educational.