

## **All Ireland Senior Schools Finals.**

The All Ireland Senior Schools Finals were held in the Aer Lingus Pool, Dublin Airport on 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> February.

Sundays Well Swimming Club were represented by five of our swimmers at the Individual Events and at the Relay Events by Regina Mundi, Douglas, St. Francis School, Rochestown and Presentation College Cork.

Emma Cassidy of St. Angela's led the way winning the 100m Backstroke and 200m Backstroke and taking the Silver in the 100m Freestyle. This performance earned Emma a place on the Irish Team to compete at the WISE International Schools Finals (Wales, Ireland, Scotland & England). This is Emma's third successive year representing her School and Club at the WISE International, a very fine achievement for this dedicated young swimmer. The WISE will be held later than usual, probably in November '12 due to the busy gala calendar with the Olympics scheduled for London in July/August of this year.

Ronan McCarthy of St. Francis School, Rochestown was also in the medals winning Bronze in the 100m Backstroke.

The Aer Lingus pool is only a five lane pool and therefore denied swimmers the chance of competing in finals as would have been the case had the event been held at the NAC. Swimmers to lose out on final placings included:

Ronan McCarthy	8 <sup>th</sup> in 100m Freestyle.
Emma Hobbs (Scoil Mhuire)	4 <sup>th</sup> in 100m Breaststroke
Josh McMahan (St. Francis, Rochestown)	6 <sup>th</sup> in 200m IM and 8 <sup>th</sup> in 100m Freestyle.
Dan Hobbs (Presentation College Cork).	9 <sup>th</sup> in 100m Breaststroke.

Amy Cunningham of Mount Mercy College also competed in the 100m Backstroke and finished a very credible 12<sup>th</sup> overall.

Cork Schools featured well at the Relays with the St. Francis, Rochestown winning Bronze in the Medley Relay. Sundays Well had three of our swimmers on this team, Josh McMahon, Ronan McCarthy and Conor Flynn.

Regina Mundi of Douglas were very unfortunate to miss out on a Bronze medal finishing 4<sup>th</sup> in the Freestyle on a time of 2:04.22 when the third place was won on a finish of 2:04.00. The girls also finished 6<sup>th</sup> in the Medley relay. Edel Carrigy, Martha Semchiy, Cliona O'Callaghan, Anna Curtin and Eimear McCarthy were all members of the Regina Mundi teams.

Presentation College Cork came 4<sup>th</sup> in both the Freestyle and Medley relays. Dan Hobbs and Matthew Curtin of Sundays Well were both members of the Pres team.

Christian Brothers Cork finished 5<sup>th</sup> in the Freestyle relay.

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