

## **U12 Premier 1 Football v's Na Piarsaigh 19/5/15**

The "Boys from Fairhill" were next up as the lads travelled to the northside to take on an inform Na Piarsaigh's side. However it was Carrigaline who left singing the songs as they emerged with the victory. All looked lost a minute after halftime when a quick goal for Na Piarsigh's led to a score of 1-7 to 0-2. Things looked all the more bleak as they also faced into a gale force wind which resembled "Tornado Alley" at times! But cometh the hour cometh the men as every player whipped up a storm to produce a great comeback. Half forwards Rhys McCarthy and Shane McSweeney got the two solitary points in the first half where more careful use of possession might have yielded more scores. The introduction of Fernando Slavin proved a masterstroke as he set up three goals. Shane McSweeney scored two goals to add to his point while the hard working Rhys McCarthy scored a goal too. Evan O'Sullivan applied a great finish for his goal and Liam Ahern was "Schillaci" like to pounce for his goal after great work from Nano. Cillian Walshe scored a point as he covered every blade of grass on the pitch as did Dylan Allen. Tim Sheehan and Ross Kennealy put in a great hour at midfield while Chris Kiely put himself about as ever. The match was won in the backline though as Na Piarsigh's were restricted to 2-1 in the second half. The full back line of Billy Cronin, Nathan O'Keefe and Evan O'Leary defended as if their lives depended on it while the half back line of Finn O'Connell, Charlie O'Brien and the ever abrasive Stephen Landy drove their team on. Paul Harding was a revelation in goal with his calm handling, saving and distribution. Discipline was a key factor too both on the line and on the pitch. This was a good team performance with all the players in tune with each other.

## **Sciath na Scol Finals**

The finals take place next week with the Scoil Mhuire Lourdes Boy's school up first on Monday 25 at 1030 in Musgrave Park. The Gaelscoil are playing on Friday 29 at 1230 in C.I.T. We would encourage as many people as possible to support these teams with plenty of U12 players involved in both sides.