



# MATER

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## UPDATE FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S OFFICE.....



### Welcome to the June edition of the MaterNews.

I hope you enjoy reading this summer's publication, which includes updates from a cross section of our colleagues, highlighting the diversity of services available to patients and staff.

Once again I am obliged to remind staff of the need for absolute cost control throughout the hospital. The maintenance of service levels and jobs is dependent on us remaining within budget this year. Our overall budget deficit has reduced slightly (based on April's figures). However, our cost containment programme and restrictions on recruitment and appointments must be maintained, at least for the rest of 2009. Thank you for your ongoing support and co-operation in this regard.

I would like to acknowledge the work of our Pandemic Planning Committee, prior to and during the influenza (H1N1) infection formerly known as Swine Flu, pandemic alert.

The Mater Campus Hospital Development's (MCHD) advance preparatory works are underway on-site and will be completed this summer. These works include demolition of the energy centre, bulk excavation of the site and piling. Main construction works will commence on-site in September 2009. The Mater Foundation car park will be partially occupied by the MCHD contractor from September. The Hospital Executive will decide allocation of remaining car park spaces for patients and staff.

May 2009 saw the opening of our spacious Emergency Admissions Ward to accommodate short stay patients, i.e. up to 24 hours, and the upgraded main department.

Following security concerns a smoking curfew, between 11pm - 8am daily, in the designated smoking area for patients and visitors (outside the concourse) has been put in place. Staff are reminded that the designated area in the hospital courtyard is the only place where staff can smoke.

In April, Mr Julien O'Connell, Chairman of Mercy Health, Australia and his colleagues met with Mater management to discuss the potential to organise a staff exchange program between Mercy Health and the Mater. The pilot program will initially target nurses across a range of general and specialist disciplines with skills successfully transferable between both countries. Further meetings between our management team and Mercy Health representatives (Directors of Nursing and Director of People, Culture and Learning) are scheduled for mid June. Founded and wholly owned by the Sisters of Mercy, Mercy Health employs 400 people and cares for more than 350,000 people every year.

On Wednesday 22nd April it was indeed a privilege and an honour to once again welcome President McAleese and have her officiate at the opening of the Department of Child & Adolescent Mental Health, Metropolitan Building, James Joyce Street, Dublin 1. The move is a historic one for a service that had been a landmark on the grounds of the Mater Hospital since 1962. The clinical service for children, formerly known as Mater Child Guidance, was only the second service of its kind in the country. Over the years it has grown to provide a community child and adolescent mental health service for children across most of north Dublin, city and county, a population now close to 400,000 people. Its relocation enables the development of the new Adult Hospital at the Mater and ultimately the National Paediatric Hospital at the Mater site. I would like to thank Dr Martin O'Sullivan, his predecessor Dr Nollaig Byrne, Sr Margherita Rock, Dr Michael Drumm, Noel Mulvihill (Local Health Officer Manager, Dublin North Central), Marie Lambe and all the staff for making this move happen in a most expeditious, trouble free manner.

We launched the first application of an eLearning tool into the Irish healthcare setting, providing training on drug charts, prescribing and drug administration standards, critical to medication safety. Well done and congratulations to our Drug Safety Committee on winning 1st prize at the ARAMARK Healthcare Innovation Awards for this novel project, on April 29th 2009. Ms Aine Brady, TD, Minister of State at the Department for Health and Children, presented the award to the Mater. We are committed to ensuring the well being of patients by reducing errors and improving medication safety. Doctors, nurses and pharmacists will benefit from this elearning tool, which will be incorporated into the Mater's induction training.

The Minister of State, John Moloney, launched Ireland's newest headache/migraine clinic at the Dublin Neurological Institute at the Mater on April 30th. Find out more about this clinic in Professor Tim Lynch's article.

Finally, I would like to extend our good wishes to Dr Nollaig Byrne, Clinical Director, Sr Joan Duddy, Divisional Nurse Manager and Charlie Quinn, Senior Biochemist on their retirements. Thank you for your outstanding contributions to this hospital over the years.

**Brian Conlan Chief Executive**



## MATER HOSPITAL AWARDED FOR PATIENT SAFETY INITIATIVE

Well done and congratulations to our Drug Safety Committee on winning 1st prize at the ARAMARK Healthcare Innovation Awards.

From Left to Right: Maria Creed, Mairead Casserly, Colm O'Brien, Mariosa Kieran, Michelle McGuirk, MaryRose Curran, Ciaran Meegan, Angela Chadwick and Catherine Holland.

Missing from the picture Brid Moran, Mary Raftery, Dorothy O'Sullivan, Fiona Kehoe, Lisa Joyce, Claire O'Neill, Camille Staunton, Karen Ryan, Karen Cadoo and Aoife Egan.



From Left to Right: Gerard O'Toole, Brendan Kelly, Gerry Gilligan, Liz Whelan, Natalie Sherrard, Bill Foley and Brian Conlan

## MATER FOCUS ON MENTAL HEALTH AND HOMELESSNESS

By Bill Foley, Senior Social Worker, Gerry Gilligan, Assistant Director of Nursing & Gerard O'Toole, Chief Medical Scientist

On the 25th March 2009, in excess of 200 delegates (from over 80 voluntary and statutory agencies, primarily in the Dublin area, working with the homeless) attended a one-day 'Mental Health and Homelessness' seminar in our hospital. As part of our master's course in Health Management, at the Royal College of Surgeons, we (Bill Foley, Gerry Gilligan and Gerard O'Toole)

organised this event. Our aim was to clarify the role of our hospital in providing services to this patient group. Previous research, conducted by us, had identified this patient group as having a range of challenging and potentially unmet needs.

Mr. Brian Conlan, C.E.O. opened the seminar and expressed our hospital's wish to see an integrated, co-ordinated care pathway for this group of patients. Liz Whelan, Divisional Nurse Manager, Natalie Sherrard, Clinical Nurse Specialist Psychiatry and Dr. Brendan Kelly, Consultant Psychiatrist made presentations on managing this patient group within the Emergency and Adult Psychiatry departments.

The seminar was deemed an overwhelming success. It highlighted the value of holding similar seminars to facilitate the networking and coordination of services between this hospital and our community services. Requests for similar seminars in the future were made.





## PRESIDENT MCALEESE OPENS NEW PREMISES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILD AND ADOLESCENT MENTAL HEALTH

By Martin O' Sullivan, Consultant Child Psychiatrist

President Mary McAleese officially opened the new premises of the Department of Child and Adolescent Mental Health at the Mater on Wednesday 22nd April. The Department, which has been based at the Mater Hospital since 1962, is now located at the Metropolitan Building, James Joyce Street, Dublin 1.

The centre offers a community-based mental health service to children and adolescents aged 0-16 years and their families in north Dublin.

We were delighted that President McAleese performed the opening ceremony and had the opportunity to meet some of the young people who use our facility. This is an important development for the service we provide and demonstrates our vision for the future where vital services are available and accessible to those who need them. The new centre is built to a high standard and shows that the Mater and the HSE are committed to creating attractive child-friendly environments for the families who attend our service.

We are very proud of our trained and experienced staff, our new facility and the improved service we can offer to our clients. Our new location has brought us closer to the community that we serve.

The new centre includes two clinical teams, administration rooms and rooms for a range of excellent therapeutic clinical and training programmes, which have a national and international reputation (Family Therapy, Parental Groups, Child and Adolescent Groups and Child Art Psychotherapy). As well as the two teams based at James Joyce Street, the service has satellite clinics for local populations in Ballymun, Darndale and Swords.

## THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THE LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SERVICE

By Angela Rice, Head of Library & Information Services



### The Library Is Open To All Staff

It's your library - use it! Use it to study, do research, check your e-mail and surf the net or just for quiet time away from your office where you can do some thinking.

### The Library Is Available 24/7!

OK, the building isn't open all the time, but check out the library web page on MaterNet where you can access our electronic resources any time from any hospital computer with internet access. Soon you will be able to check the library catalogue and renew your books online.

### The Library Has 10 PCs

Don't have access to a computer? All the computers in the library have internet access. Microsoft Office and SPSS (used for doing statistics for research and audit) are installed on all PCs.

### ID + Barcode = Library Access

Your student ID card or staff ID card (with a barcode) is your library card. Once you've completed a short registration form you're ready to borrow library materials.

### We Have More Than Just Books!

We also have electronic books, journals, magazines, newspapers, government documents, CDs, videos, and DVDs.

### If We Don't Have It, We'll Get it!

Looking for a journal article we don't have? Fill out a journal article request form (download it from the library web page, post it or fax it to us) and we'll get it for you from another library.

You may also make suggestions for library book purchases. We'll try to get them for you (budget permitting!).

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Buy a photocopying card at the enquiry desk. Probably the cheapest printing and photocopying in Dublin at 5c per page!

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**<http://maternet/Administration/LibraryInformationService/> Adapted from Mary Kate Boyd-Byrnes and Marilyn Rosenthal's Top 10 Things to Know About Your Library (2007), online at <http://www.liu.edu/cwis/cwp/library/ref/top10.htm>**

## MIGRAINE RELIEF AT THE MATER

By Professor Tim Lynch, Consultant Neurologist

The Minister of State, John Moloney, launched Ireland’s newest headache / migraine clinic at the Dublin Neurological Institute at the Mater on April 30th. This clinic was the third to open its doors in Ireland and should aid in reducing the growing waiting lists for the country’s current clinics.

This clinic, based on the Mater campus, is unique in that it is a joint collaboration between the Dublin Neurological Institute at the Mater and the Migraine Association of Ireland. The clinic will provide a new state-of-the-art centre of excellence on the Mater campus and be funded solely through fundraising.

This new clinic, run by Consultant Neurologist Dr Martin Rutledge and me will provide much needed care to patients with headache and migraine locally, regionally and nationally. The clinic should not only reduce the waiting time to see a consultant neurologist but will also alleviate pressure on Accident & Emergency departments by providing follow up clinics for patients.

The Dublin Neurological Institute at the Mater is a unique medical centre in Ireland, a centre of excellence for neurological care that is non-profit and open to all to provide care and education for people with neurological problems including headache and migraine. Utilising the institute in this manner will allow a headache-trained expert neurologist, such as Dr Rutledge, from the private sector to work in the public health system providing care for public and private patients.

Migraine is the world’s most common neurological condition and is ranked by the World Health Organisation as the 12th leading cause of disability worldwide amongst women and 19th overall. Current estimates show that there are over 500,000 sufferers in Ireland, costing the Irish economy €252 million annually.



**Front Row Left to Right:** Mary Benson, Bridget Murray, Allison Kennedy, Margaret Mc Carthy and Kathleen Murphy  
**Back Row Left to Right:** Mary Mulvey, Annabella Coralde, Elaine Hanley, Caroline Mariadoss, Nora O Callaghan and Aileen Gill  
**Missing from the picture:** Liz Barragry, Sean Paul Teeling and Claire Brennan

## HOSPICE FRIENDLY HOSPITALS PROGRAMME STAFF COMMUNICATIONS TRAINING

By Margaret McCarthy, Director Centre For Nurse Education & Kathleen Murphy, Nurse Tutor

The Hospice Friendly Hospitals Programme, a national programme established by the Irish Hospice Foundation, seeks to change the culture of care regarding end of life issues in hospitals. The Mater is one of twenty acute general hospitals participating.

Communications training, a key component, is now available for all staff. The training aims to improve the culture in hospitals and institutions, in relation to dying, death and bereavement for patients and their families. Communication in sensitive issues, still poses a significant problem for most healthcare staff. It is vital that we improve our communication skills, in order to enhance the hospital experience for our patients and when dealing with end of life issues. The training will assist you, to enhance/improve the skills necessary to communicate sensitively, respectfully and supportively with patients and their families. The hospital has **thirteen trainers** from a variety of departments (household, nursing, administration and social work) delivering the programme.

**The communications training, available to all staff, currently involves 3 concurrent sessions:**

- Communications (impact on patients, families and staff);
- Language, cultural and religious differences; and
- Your coping strategy and action plan.

Session dates/times, which last approximately sixty minutes, are posted on MaterNet and hospital notice boards. Should the time/day not suit your department please do not hesitate to contact us. In certain circumstances staff may attend without a booking.

**To book contact the Centre for Nurse Education. Telephone: 803 2391 Email: [cne@mater.ie](mailto:cne@mater.ie)**

## A FOND FAREWELL NOLLAIG!



## MATER PHYSICISTS GETTING THE BALANCE RIGHT FOR PATIENTS

By Dr Patrick Kenny, Chief Physicist & Brenda Byrne, Senior Physicist

The fact that physicists work in hospitals surprises people. We are asked 'What exactly do you guys do?' It is not easy to answer briefly adding a touch of scepticism to the inquisitor's mood! Our profession is not high profile; even a general understanding of our role can be obscured by the abstract, mathematical based nature of the job. Despite a low profile our actions and recommendations have significant consequences benefiting patients.



Medical physicists are post-graduate level scientists. We ensure that clinical diagnoses and treatments involving the interaction of radiation with patients are safe, meet the highest international standards and are cost-effective.

We manage all aspects of radiation hygiene as part of a team of professionals in the radiology department. Radiation protection of patients and staff forms the core of our job. More radiation produces better results but less radiation is safer for the patient. As with everything else in nature, it's all about getting the balance right. We provide practical advice and support on all aspects of radiation safety including but not limited to risk assessment, room design, equipment specification, activities involving MRI, PET, ultrasound, lasers and ultra-violet radiation. We are committed to the education and training of staff e.g. radiologists, radiographers and nurses working with potentially hazardous physical agents. Education is the most cost-effective means of ensuring high standards of safety and quality. At a national level, we contribute to the drafting of regulations in compliance with legislation. Most importantly we are team players working with all staff to ensure that patients are treated with the utmost dignity and care.

Around 90% of the Irish population's exposure to artificial sources of radiation is from clinical applications and not from the Irish Sea! The public would reasonably expect that radiation exposures in clinical settings are well regulated and managed. Thanks to the excellent work by our team of physicists in the Mater, other professions and all our colleagues, the safety of patients availing of our services is assured.

On Thursday, 25th June, the annual Radiation Protection Training Course for staff takes place in the Fintan Gunne lecture theatre. This course is open to all staff looking to familiarise themselves with radiation safety. It will address the nature and biological effects of ionising radiation, imaging equipment, legislative requirements and radiation protection in pregnancy. A demonstration of practical radiation protection techniques will be given in the radiology department.

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**Check out <http://maternet/Medical/Radiology/MedicalPhysics/>**



## BUILDING A CULTURE OF PATIENT SAFETY

.....By Breda Doyle, Quality and Accreditation Manager

In July 2007, the Commission on Patient Safety and Quality Assurance was set up in response to serious incidences of poor patient safety, highlighted in the Lourdes inquiry, Leas Cross review and cases of contaminated blood products. In recent years, patient safety has become a primary focus of healthcare organisations, regulatory bodies and patient advocates worldwide, although this issue was highlighted in medical literature as far back as the mid 1950s. Mary Harney, Minister for Health and Children, established the Commission with the aim of recommending a system of management for the delivery of a health service to ensure patients receive care from skilled professionals in an appropriate environment and with measured outcomes.

In July 2008, the Commission reported on building a culture of patient safety in Ireland. It identified one hundred and thirty four recommendations, which set out a roadmap for driving safety and quality across the Irish Health Service. This report calls for a proactive approach to deal with current and future challenges in the delivery of safe and high quality care. The Department of Health and Children is currently establishing working groups to follow up on the implementation of the recommendations.

**Check out <http://www.cpsqa.ie/publications/pdf/patientsafety.pdf> to read this report.**

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# HEALTH PROMOTION

By Ruth Buckley, Health Promotion Co-ordinator . . . . .

The introduction of eye testing, information on foot care and hair care were well-received additions to our 2009 Staff Wellness Day programme. Thank you to our committee members and staff for ensuring that this day was once again a huge success!

Staff are always looking for ways to make positive lifestyle changes. For some staff this process started earlier this year when they signed up for our weight loss programme. A number of staff were very successful and comments expressed by them included:

*'Refreshing change from the other weight loss plans, I found I was more energetic and alert'*

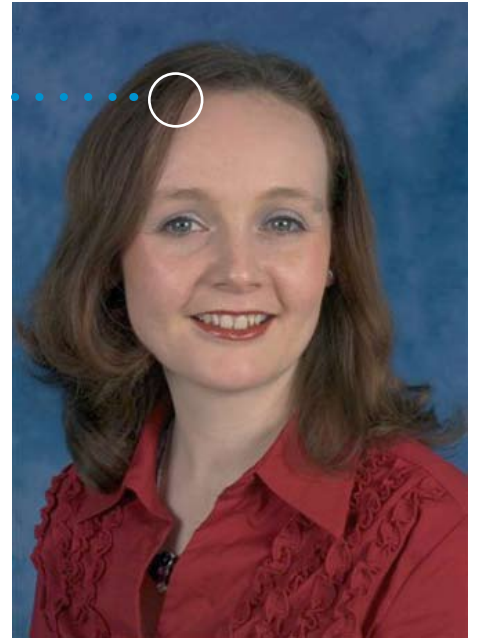
*'The programme is not a diet but a lifestyle change'*

*'This healthy living plan is much easier to follow than eating cabbage soup every day! It involves helping me make the decision to change those everyday bad habits that have led me to put on excess weight'*

We hope to run the next weight loss programme in June 2009.

Another new introduction to the hospital is a new communication resource called 'Emergency Multilingual Aid - Multilingual and Illustrated Communication Phrasebook, For Use By Patients and Staff'. It is designed to assist staff in communicating more effectively with patients of limited English proficiency. This multilingual tool was launched by the HSE across all hospitals at the end of May and is available in our hospital.

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# JOIN THE JOURNEY LOGGER CHALLENGE TODAY

. . . . .By Barry McKenna, Travelways Commuter Centre Manager

**Get fit, save money, win prizes and reduce your carbon footprint!**

**Your challenge:** Pick one journey you make on a regular basis (e.g. your commute to work) and try to take alternatives to the car for this journey as often as you can! It is all about trying fit and fun alternatives like walking, cycling, taking public transport or carpooling.

**Your reward:** Improve your fitness, save money on petrol costs, be in with a chance of winning some great prizes and reduce your carbon footprint.

**How does it work?**

Whether you're pledging to switch from the car to the bike, or continuing to use sustainable transport, you can register the details of your chosen journey on [www.journeylogger.ie](http://www.journeylogger.ie) Make sure you register as a 'Mater' user to be included in our Travelways prize scheme.

During the week, log the trips you have taken by 'green' means so that week by week, you build up an impressive record of your travel choices.

**As you log trips, you will see a personalised record of the:**

- Chocolate bar index, measuring in chocolate bars how many kilo-calories you've burned by walking or cycling;
- Money you have saved on petrol costs by not driving alone; and
- Kilograms of CO2 saved by choosing a sustainable alternative to the car.

**Prizes**

With each sustainable trip you log online, you will gain two points. Points will entitle you to enter into regular competitions for top quality prizes, including iPod Shuffles, retail vouchers and bicycles.

**Check out [www.journeylogger.ie](http://www.journeylogger.ie) or contact Barry McKenna, Travelways Commuter Centre Manager.  
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## HOSPITAL HYGIENE

By Mairead Mulhern, Hygiene Services Standards Co-ordinator

On Monday 27th April 2009, the 1st Mater Hospital Hygiene Awareness Day took place concentrating on the service delivery elements (recycling, waste, hand hygiene, food hygiene, management of laundry, equipment and environmental cleaning) of the National Hygiene Standards. The focus of the day was to raise awareness and highlight the importance of hygiene in this hospital and the continuous hard work and dedication of all the departments involved in the delivery of hygiene services. Information stands facilitated discussions between staff, patients and visitors for improving hygiene practices in the hospital and at home.

On Tuesday 28th April 2009, in association with An Taisce's National Spring Clean Month, staff participated in the clean up of the external environment/surrounding areas. Sustaining practical involvement in looking after the hospital environment now and going forward is very important.

The Hygiene Services Team continuously educate and inform staff, patients and visitors that the maintenance of excellent hygiene standards within our hospital is a priority and the responsibility of everyone. We are all responsible and accountable for maintaining hygiene standards within our departments and all public areas. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the ongoing hard work and dedication in supporting the Hospital Hygiene Programme. Your effort no matter how big or small will be a positive step towards a clean hospital environment.

**If you have any queries or suggestions please contact Mairead Mulhern, Hygiene Services Standards Co-ordinator.**

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Front Row Left to Right: Paul Drumm, Martha Sharry, Anne Dillon and Josephine Kelly*

## DID YOU KNOW THAT A LAPTOP IS STOLEN EVERY 53 SECONDS?

By Brid Moran, Internet Services Manager

And approximately 97 percent are never recovered. Theft of data and mobile devices has become an increasing problem and the hospital has been reviewing its practices relating to data security and protection of patient -identifiable and business sensitive information. We have identified a number of areas where we can take steps to improve our existing data security practices.

One of the first steps we have taken is the purchase of encryption software, called Pointsec. Encryption is a method for encoding data stored on a device. Once encrypted, the data is well protected by ensuring that the data can only be read by a person who is authorized to have access to it.

**It is MANDATORY for the software to be installed on all hospital owned laptops.**

### How can you help?

1. Contact Joe or Robert, IMS Dept ext 2333 to schedule the implementation of this software on your hospital laptop, as soon as possible.
2. Please quote the asset number of the laptop when you are phoning to schedule your appointment.  
(Please note - We will try and accommodate all users with a suitable time to drop in their laptop for encrypting)
3. Ensure that all staff in your area, with a Hospital laptop, are notified of this encryption project.

We would ask for your prompt cooperation on this initiative.

**If you have any questions or concerns about data security, please contact the Information Management Services Department.**

**Telephone: 803 2333**



## MATER FOUNDATION BY MARY MOORHEAD, CHIEF EXECUTIVE



Presentation of a cheque to the Sacred Heart Ward / ICU by the Stack family



Presentation of a cheque to the Mater Cardiac Unit by Janice Flynn. From Left to Right: Nina Sheridan, Janice Flynn and Mary Moorhead



Rory Cloonan getting his lovely curls cut in aid of the Mater Cancer Research Appeal by RTE's Damien Clarke

### Midsummer Evening Garden Party

This year instead of our annual Midsummer Ball we are joining together two great causes to host a Midsummer Evening Garden Party. On the 20th June the Centre for Lung Health and the Dublin Neurological Institute both at the Mater are hosting this exquisite party. The grounds behind No. 56 and 57 Eccles Street will be transformed into a beautiful summer garden theme. The evening will consist of food, drink and entertainment. Places are limited so to book your ticket early contact the fundraising team on **830 3482 / 2061**.

### The Flora Women's Mini Marathon

We have over 400 participants taking part in this years Flora Women's Mini Marathon to raise funds for all areas of the hospital. We would like to thank staff, patients and their families for taking part this year.

### Mater Special Days Appeal

The Mater Special Days Appeal has now been running for 6 months and has seen a great response. A new bigger and brighter calendar is now in place in the hospital foyer to display the names of all those who have a special day they would like to remember. Due to the budget constraints of 2009 we need our Special Days Appeal to be even more successful than last year. All money raised from the appeal will go to areas in the hospital where it is needed most to fund patient comfort and care. For more information visit [www.materspecialdays.ie](http://www.materspecialdays.ie)

### Upcoming Events

**13th June - The Aimee Meehan Project** presents in the Helix theatre: Don Baker, Closure, Raw Edge Crew and comedian Eric Lalor. Tickets are €25 each. In aid of the Mater Heart Appeal.

**18th June - The Azures Challenge for Myeloma.** A team of 5, headed by Dr Peter O'Gorman will take to the seas to sail from Ireland to the Azures and back in June all in aid of The Mater Myeloma Cancer Research Appeal.

**20th June - Midsummer Evening Garden Party.** Tickets are €125 each.

**For more information contact the Mater Foundation**

Telephone: **830 3482** Website: [www.materfoundation.ie](http://www.materfoundation.ie)

## YOUR VOICE

If you have a question, suggestion or issue that you would like to put to Brian Conlan CEO please email [yourvoice@mater.ie](mailto:yourvoice@mater.ie)

When was the last time you checked the MaterNet 'Latest News' and 'This Month's Events' sections <http://maternet/>?

Thank you to everyone who contributed and the Photography Department.