



FOROIGE members Aoife Dolan, Dervla Brogan, Keva Brogan and Aoife McWalter at the Milltown Heritage Event.

precipitate what they find here.

Community Archaeologist Dr Christy Cunneiffe did a lot of the research for the book, but said his greatest thrill was being allowed to coax a

tune out of Pete Conlan's melodeon. This relic of the renowned US-based traditional musician was on display, but out of reach.

Council Cathaoirleach

Michael Connolly praised the great community spirit in Milltown, as exemplified by people like the late Frank Mullarkey, who donated land for community purposes.

After the formalities there was time to inspect the stands around the hall and partake of the goodies on offer. The ideal way to end a book launch.

Minister Mary points to the Jobs of the future

WITH her jobs ministerial hat on, Mary Mitchell O'Connor urged parents to encourage their children to concentrate on the STEM subjects on their return to school.

"Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths — that's where the jobs of the future will be, jobs that are not even invented yet," she told her audience at the launch of the Milltown Heritage booklet.

She said she was proud to have come from a small rural school where she got a great education, and said the Government was committed to not closing any more small schools unless they wished to amalgamate.

"€4 million has been invested in Milltown over the last few years, with the sewerage scheme, traffic calming, road and footpath upgrades," she said, noting that 100 people are employed in the village, with another 101 in the nearby industrial estate.

Noting that two million people are employed in the country now, she said that left 175,000 unemployed out of the workforce, and the job of government was to do the best for them.

"Not all jobs are generated by the IDA and Enterprise Ireland. Food production and small businesses like we have here play a vital role," Minister O'Connor said.



BELMONT National School's tree project was displayed by teachers Martina Flaherty and Marie Ruane.



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