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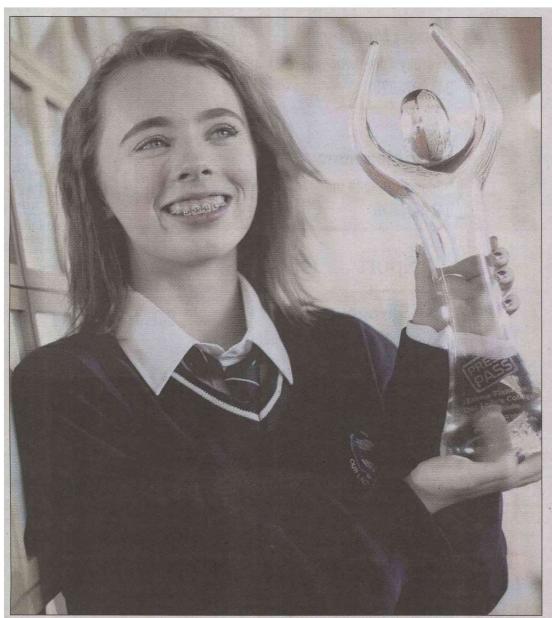
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Emma Flanagan from Our Lady's College, Drogheda, who was the overall winner of the NewsBrands Ireland Press Pass Awards which took place in Dublin's Conventions Centre.

## National scoop for writer Emma

## By HUBERT MURPHY

A GIFTED young writer from Our Lady's College in Greenhills has won a top national award.

Transition Year student Emma Flanagan scooped the Press Pass award, the annual newspapers-in-education initiative for Transition Year classes, run by NewsBrands Ireland and sponsored by the Irish League of Credit Unions.

Emma wrote an opinion piece on "The Politics of Apathy" and the judges said she seemed to have been endowed with the gift of prophecy!

The article, written and judged before the recent general election, 'captured a public mood even before it had been expressed in the ballot box!,' the judges remarked.