



Local groups show creative sides

POBALSCOIL CHORCA Dhuibhne, Maine Valley Family Resource Centre and NEWKD Castleisland all shone at Creative Technology Week 2026.

Pobalscoil Chorca Dhuibhne was honoured at TechFéile during Kinia's Creative Technology Week, claiming two awards and a further four nominations at TechFéile in Dublin on Friday.

The Dingle school claimed the Mobile Filmmaking award for a unique detective story trí Ghaeilge, while teacher Pádraig Ó Dubhaigh was also announced as the Educator of the Year.

Three additional teams from Pobalscoil Chorca Dhuibhne were also nominated in the Mobile Filmmaking Award category, and a further nomination was also received in the Organisation of the Year category.

Meanwhile, Maine Valley by Lisa Foley, took home two awards on Saturday, including

Family Resource Centre, led Organisation of the Year and the Creative Technology Award.

And NEWKD Castleisland was also honoured during the event - winning the Mobile Filmmaking Award with Jennifer O'Sullivan Coffey receiving a nomination for Educator of the Year for her continued dedication and support.

The events were part of Kinia's annual showcase of young digital innovators, celebrating groundbreaking projects in creative technology, smart energy, green tech, mobile filmmaking, podcasting and robotics.

The awards were presented in front of a record-breaking attendance of over 1,000 young innovators from across the country in the Explorium, Sandyford, Dublin.

Kinia, an education-focused

non-pront and social enterprise, is dedicated to reducing educational inequality by building digital skills and access to technology career pathways for young people across Ireland.

Marianne Checkley, CEO of Kinia, said: "We want to extend a huge congratulations to everyone from Kerry and a big thank you for all the hard work and effort put into the projects. It's fair to say that Kerry was very well represented this year and we look forward to continuing to work closely with students and educators in the future."

"It's great to see representatives like Pádraig, Lisa and Jennifer getting the recognition they deserve."



HONOURED: Pobalscoil Chorca Dhuibhne was honoured at Tech Féile during Kinia's Creative Technology Week 2026 with the school claiming two awards and a further four nominations on Friday 24th at TechFéile. The Dingle school claimed the award for Mobile Filmmaking (Scannánaíocht Mhóibíleach) where students recorded a unique detective story trí Ghaeilge and teacher Pádraig Ó Dubhaigh was awarded Educator of the Year (Oideachasóir na Bliana) recognising continued outstanding commitment to his students. Picture: Andres Poveda.