

Famous Irish Band Visits Village of Boys Town By Jamie Newman

Paying homage to Father Flanagan's Irish heritage, Boys Town Nebraska/Iowa recently welcomed Irish musical group Téada (meaning "strings" in Irish) to the historic Village of Boys Town.

The band performed at an all-school convocation, which included youth from Boys Town High and Wegner Schools. Téada also gave a lecture/demo about traditional Irish music to the high school band class.



Afterwards, the music group was eager to see the village because they had heard much about Fr. Flanagan's famous boys' home. Boys Town Mayor Anthony Cornelius gave them an official tour.

"The leader of the group (Oisín Mac Diarmada) went to the same high school Fr. Flanagan attended as a youth and was thrilled to have been able to come and perform for the students," said Boys Town High School Superintendant/Principal Bob Gehringer.

"It was a wonderful privilege for us to have opportunity to visit such an incredible facility," said Diarmada. "It was inspirational to visit the museum and to learn of the amazing vision and dedication exhibited by Fr. Flanagan and many others - A truly amazing story and great to see the work continuing. The student mayor was a credit to Boys Town and gave us a wonderful tour."

Téada is an internationally-renowned traditional Irish music band. Click <u>here</u> to visit the group's website.



