Congratulations to Grace Lavelle and Megan Nelson Crana College on being shortlisted for this year’s eircom Junior Spider Awards. The two Crana College Transition Year students have been shortlisted in the Giga – Best Individual Project category.

The Awards, now in their sixth year, were established to highlight how primary and post primary students embrace the internet, also mark the innovative ways it is used both in school and in their daily lives.

The eircom Junior Spider’s Awards recognise both individual and group work in areas such as web design, blogging and gaming. Categories range from age 4 up to age 19 and can be individual, class or school projects.

Similar to previous years, the Awards are divided into three main categories: The Mega Spiders aimed at youths aged 4 – 12 years; the Giga aimed at youths aged 13 – 15 years and Tera Spiders which are aimed at youths aged 16 – 19 years.

For the first time a new – and very popular category – has been added aimed at Transition Year projects, as well another cross-category award focused on the coding of websites. The awards are open to everyone across the country with two categories aimed at Irish Speaking youths. This year we received our largest amount of entries to date receiving 406 projects.
Commenting on the awards Lisa Comerford, Director of Brand and Communications, eircom and Chairperson of the eircom Junior Spiders Awards Judging Panel said “Despite the fact that we have expanded the scope of the awards this year to include new categories, choosing our finalists was as tough as ever. We are delighted with the standard of entries from schools all across the country – and it’s a real insight into the increased digital focus that is happening in classrooms nationwide. The judges and I would like to thank every school who entered, and to congratulate all those shortlisted. I would also like to thank each of the judges for giving so much of their time throughout the judging process. I look forward to seeing everyone for a fun filled day at the awards ceremony”.

For further information on each of the shortlisted nominations log on to www.juniorspiders.ie

The overall award ceremony will take place on:

Monday, 20th April at Facebook HQ, Dublin.