

Incoming Transition Year Students for 2023/24

Information for incoming 3rd year Parents and Students.

We are looking forward to welcoming you into TY next year and hope we can make it as action packed and eventful as this year's programme.

Your journey in TY starts now, and it is important you start prepping for your year in order to maximise its potential.

Work Experience

The dates we have set aside for work experience are:

Work Exp Week 1 - 13th November

Work Exp Week 2 - 20th November

Work Exp Week 3 - 5th February 2024

Work Exp Week 4 - 19th February 2024

Time off school for part time work is strictly forbidden. We do allow students to partake in additional work experience outside of our timetabled blocks, however it must be authorised by the year head and principal.

Gaisce

All students partake in the Gaisce Award during TY. Gaisce is the most prestigious award in Ireland and is a challenge to young people from the president of Ireland.

Your Gaisce experience is whatever you want it to be – you choose your own activities for each challenge area: Develop a Skill. Help your Community. Get Active. Go on an Adventure!

Each student will have a set teacher who acts as their PAL leader and monitors their progress.

For now, you should consider what activity you can do in each challenge area mentioned above.

For more information look at the website: https://www.gaisce.ie/get-involved/

Community Weeks

Each class group will do one week of voluntary community work.

We do this so that our students get the opportunity to give back to their local community, to experience the fantastic voluntary work undertaken by so many on our behalf, and to see another side to community organisations and people within our communities.

It is a good idea to begin thinking about what voluntary organisation you can get involved with, and perhaps make a connection over the summer break.

This could also contribute to the community aspect of your Gaisce award.

The year is yours for the making!

We encourage students to make the year their own and use it as an opportunity to do the things they might not ordinarily get the chance to do.

Parental support is key in this process.

If any incoming students have something they would like to see incorporated into the year please let me know and we can look to make it happen!

There are a huge number of external TY specific programmes and events run throughout the year. I will send out notice of any information I receive but it is a good idea to start having a look online now, or speak with current TY students to get an idea of what options are out there.

Some include:

DCU Early University Entrance

STEPS Engineering

STEM@ Universi-TY (Trinity College)

Barretstown Residential Programme

TCD School of Physics

CIT School of Music Programme

Trinity College TY Programmes

I look forward to the year ahead.

Mise le meas,

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