



Deansrath Community College Transition Year Programme



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Our Purpose

- To allow our students to mature and grow in confidence.
- To acquire a new range of skills.
- To experience subjects in a different way.
- To prepare them to be become responsible members of society.
- To consider their future.
- To broaden their view of the world.



This is a one year optional programme that provides a bridge for our students to make the transition from Junior Cycle learning to the more independent style learning associated with the Leaving Certificate.

We devise our own programme following the DES Transition Year Guidelines; whilst also considering students needs, parent views, employers and the wider interests of the local community.

Our programme is designed around our teachers extensive range of expertise

TY's are timetabled for

1. Core Subjects
2. Subject Sampling
3. TY Specific Programmes
4. Significant Learning Experiences
5. Work Experience and Career research

To learn more please join us on information evening



What is Transition Year?



One year **optional** school programme.



Purpose



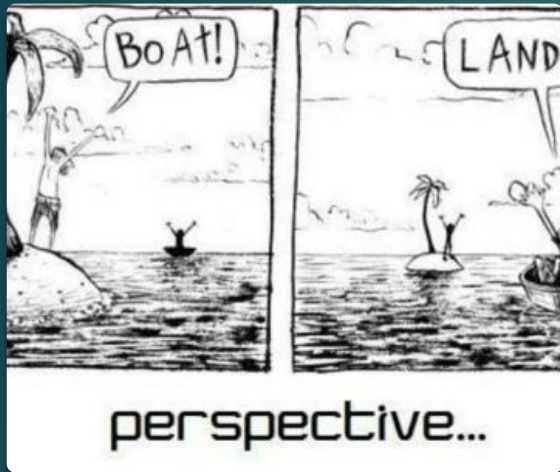
to **promote maturity** in students.



to help them become more **independent** and **responsible** individuals through a variety of subject sampling and activities .

- ▶ **Based in school** but with lots of opportunities to continue the educational experiences off site with day trips, subject specific educational visits, work experience and third level research.





What do our students gain from Transition Year?

Transition Year will give students opportunities to:

- ▶ Develop a variety of new skills
- ▶ Discover more about your own personal strengths – what you are good at .
- ▶ Learn more about the working world through work experience.
- ▶ Discover more about job and career opportunities beyond school.
- ▶ Sample and discover new subjects.
- ▶ Build a solid foundation of skills for a Leaving Certificate programme.





- ▶ Learn about working as part of a team, the world of work and further study.
- ▶ Learn through meeting people beyond the classroom.
- ▶ Develop your own natural skills and talents.
- ▶ Undertake projects on topics which interest you.
- ▶ Practise meeting deadlines for assignments.
- ▶ Make informed choices about Leaving Certificate subjects and beyond.

The TY Programme

TY Students will be timetabled for:

1. Core subjects
2. Subject Sampling
3. TY Specific programmes
4. Significant Learning Experiences
5. Work Experience and Career Research.

All programmes will be designed around our own teacher's extensive areas of expertise



Core Subjects



- ▶ **Irish** including activities to promote our language and culture
- ▶ **English** including communications, media, creative writing
- ▶ **Maths** Including STEM activities
- ▶ **Sport and Leisure** including health related fitness, exercise for life, team building and outdoor pursuits.

Transition Year Specific



- ▶ GAISCE
- ▶ Microsoft Mentor Programme
- ▶ Young Creators Programme
- ▶ Microsoft Dreamspace
- ▶ Debating
- ▶ Wellbeing
- ▶ Sports Leadership
- ▶ Development Education
- ▶ Individual use Ipads
- ▶ Drama
- ▶ Dance
- ▶ Volunteering and fundraising
- ▶ First Aid and CPR
- ▶ Leadership
- ▶ Psychology and Social Studies
- ▶ Banks and Credit Unions

Field trips



- ▶ Zoo
- ▶ Art Galleries
- ▶ North Clondalkin Library
- ▶ Hill Walking
- ▶ Exhibitions
- ▶ College Visits
- ▶ Overnight Gaisce trip
- ▶ IFI Film viewings
- ▶ Theatre Trips
- ▶ Ploughing Championships
- ▶ Work experience visits
- ▶ Leadership conferences
- ▶ Go Quest

Work Experience and TY Programmes



- ▶ This is an opportunity to sample different jobs.
- ▶ Work experience helps students to decide what careers or college courses they wish to pursue after school.
- ▶ There are two separate Work experience weeks scheduled per year and we also accommodate separate individual work placements

Assessment

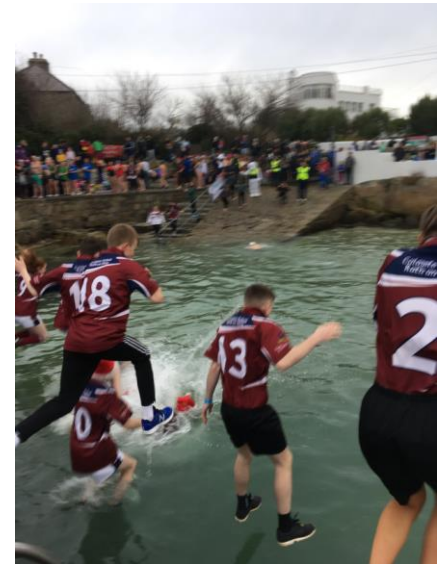


- ▶ The school will use a variety of forms of assessment in looking at the students' personal and academic progress throughout the year.
- ▶ Continuous assessment means that they have **to work hard all year round.**
- ▶ They may also experience written, oral, aural, portfolio or folders, project displays, exhibitions of work, T.Y. Journal and Christmas Exams



- ▶ Reflecting the learning-led emphasis of the Transition Year programme, certification is school-based rather than national.
- ▶ The students will graduate at the end of the year with in-house certification and individual awards.

Class of 2018



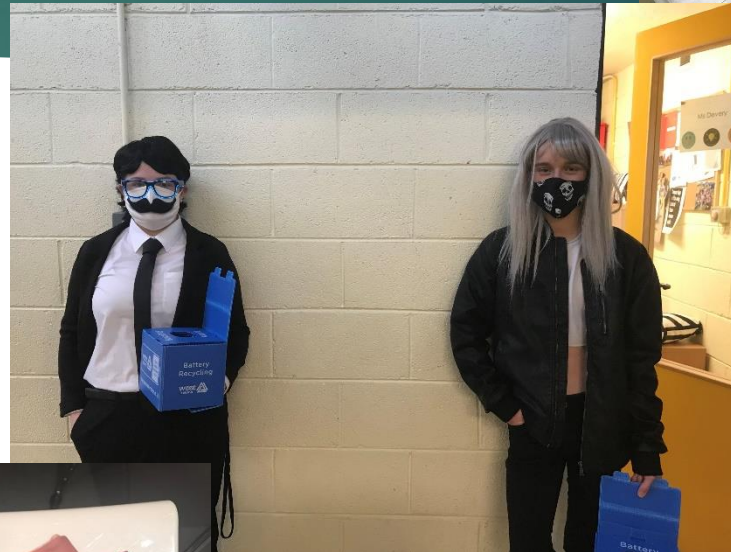
Class Of 2019



Class of 2020



Class of 2021



Class of 2022



Class of 2023.....so far !



Costs involved

The Transition fee for 2023 – 2024 is €175 (TBC)

Please note: This does not include general school expenses

Application Process

Transition Year is one of the three Senior Cycle Programmes offered.

Students' ability is **not** an issue but their willingness to participate, their co-operation and work ethic is important.

Students applying for the course may be interviewed to assess their suitability.

Students' record of attendance, participation, attitude and behaviour in their 3rd Year are taken into account.

Thank you for listening

- ▶ For further information contact
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