

Transition Year

2024/2025

Aims of Transition year

- ▶ **Personal:** To help you develop your personality and character towards a more positive and confident self-image.
- ▶ **Study/Work:** To develop independent work and study habits appropriate to the Senior Cycle.
- ▶ **Career:** To become familiar with workplaces outside school and possible career paths.
- ▶ **Social:** To become more informed about society and more skilled at dealing with people.

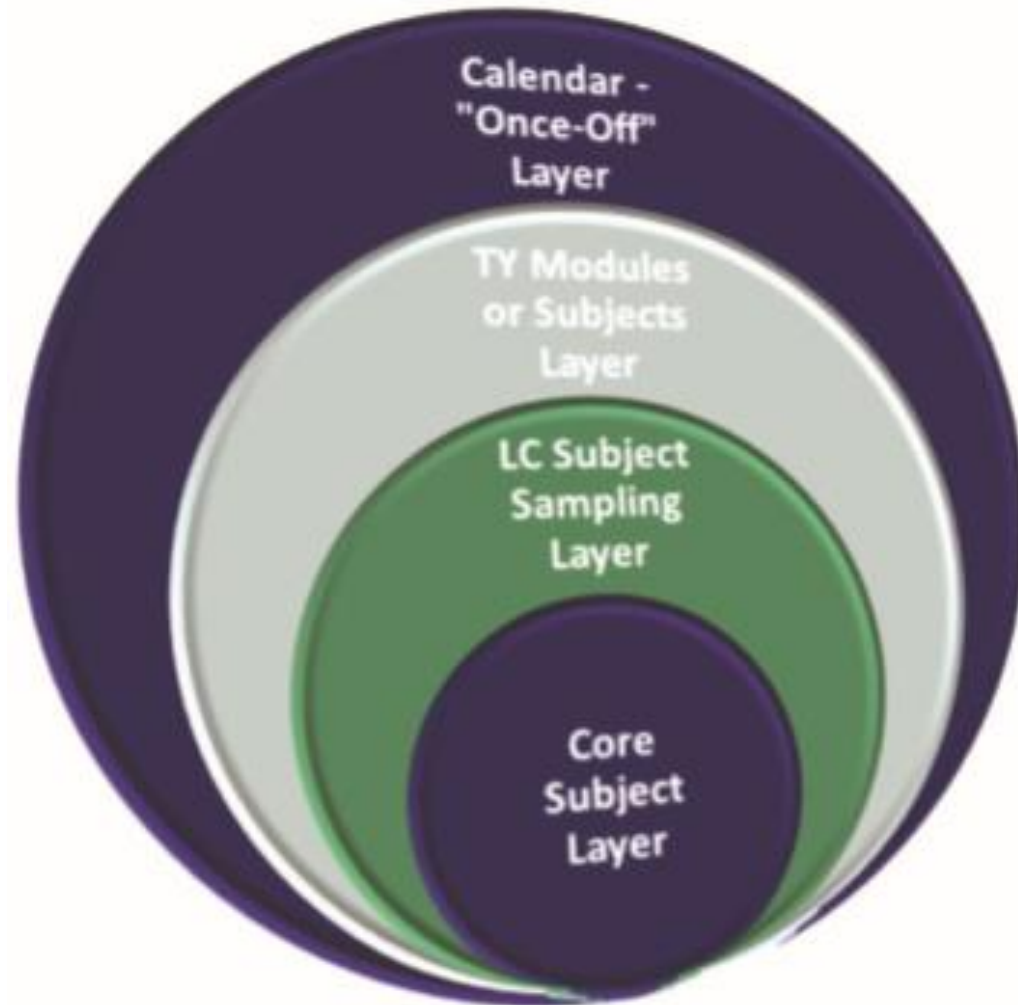
Transition Year 2023/2024

- ▶ 118 students for the coming year
- ▶ 3 classes of 24 students
- ▶ 2 classes of 23 students
- ▶ 5 base classes for English, Religion, Tutor, Careers, and Leaving cert Sampling

Transition year structure

- ▶ The structure of TY differs from other years in the school and offers the students a wide variety of choices and experiences
- ▶ The time table is broken into 3 strands
- ▶ 1. Core subjects
- ▶ 2. Leaving cert choice subjects
- ▶ 3. TY specific modules

Transition Year Structure



Core subjects

- ▶ Core subjects (studied all year)
 - English
 - Irish
 - Maths
 - Careers
 - Religion
 - Tutorial

Leaving Cert choice subjects

(All subjects will be sampled throughout the year for 7 weeks)

- History
- Geography
- DCG
- French
- Construction Studies
- PE
- Engineering
- Business
- Accounting
- Ag Science
- Biology
- Physics
- Chemistry
- Art
- Music

TY Specific modules

- ▶ Local History, Road Safety, Prep for work, PE, Microsoft training, Green Schools, Applied Maths, Self Defence, GAA Foundation Coaching, Active Leisure, IT, Nutrition, Life Skills, Safety, Typing, Public speaking, Car maintenance, Strength & Conitioning, Computer programming,
- ▶ These will on a 6 week rotation between the 5 TY classes
- ▶ **Area of Specialism**
- ▶ Young Scientist, ECDL, Mini Company,
Students will choose 1 and study that for the year
(Elective subjects will be chosen upon return in Sept)
- ▶ Work experience 3 x one week

TY Specific modules

| TY Specific Modules | (6 Weeks) 4A | (6 Weeks) 4B | (6 Weeks) 4C | (6 Weeks) 4D | (6 Weeks) 4E |
|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 4. 2 Periods | Typing | PE | Road Safety | Public Speaking | Car Maintenance |
| 5. 2 Periods | Farming (Elective) | Filming and Editing (Elective) | Drama (Elective) | Marketing/ Journalism (Elective) | Gaa Future Leaders (Elective) |
| 6. 2 Period | Safety | Self Defense | Applied Maths | Prep for work | Computers |
| 7. 3 Periods | GAA Coaching | Sports and Rec | Nutrition Studies | PE | Strength and Conditioning |
| 8. 3 Periods | Young Scientist (Elective) | ICDL (Elective) | Mini Company (Elective) | Mini Company (Elective) | Community Care |
| 9. 2 periods | Life Skills | Desktop Publishing | Green School | Local History | Programming |

Optional courses run in TY

- ▶ Gaisce presidents award
- ▶ Safe pass
- ▶ DCMUN
- ▶ ICDL
- ▶ Mini Company
- ▶ Drama
- ▶ Build a bank
- ▶ Young Scientist/Scifest

Assessment in TY

- ▶ All TY students will sit exams in their core subjects in Dec and again in May. Detailed reports will follow these exams
- ▶ Each student will be given a credit rating in each module at the end of each 6 week cycle. These credits will add up at the end of the year to give an over all TY result. These will be reported on at Christmas and Summer (2 reports only)

TY Credit system

TRANSITION YEAR CREDIT SYSTEM:

| SUBJECTS/ MODULES: | CREDITS |
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| SUBJECTS: English, Irish, Math's, Religion, Careers. | 10 credits for each subject |
| MODULES: Local History, Road Safety, Prep for work, Green Schools, Applied Maths, Self Defence, GAA Foundation Coaching, Active Leisure, IT, Nutrition, Life Skills, Safety, Typing, , Public Speaking, Car maintenance, Programming, Computers, S&C, Portfolio, Work Experience, History, Ag Science, Geography, Biology, DCG, Physics, French, Chemistry, Construction Studies, Art PE, Music, Engineering, Business, Accounting | 5 credits for each module |
| Area of specialism ECDL, Mini Company, Young Scientist, GAA Future Leaders | 5 credits per report (10 credits Total) |

Credits are given on a Performance Rating of:

Very Good = 5 Good = 4 Satisfactory =3 Fair = 2 Weak = 1

OVERALL RESULT: 100-169 = Pass 170-229 = Merit 230-260 =Distinction

Outdoor activities and trips

- ▶ TYs generally participate in 4 outdoor activity days. Typical locations are Ballyhass lakes, Zip it, Fota adventure, Trabolgan
- ▶ There are numerous other trips to career fairs, History trips etc. throughout the year
- ▶ These dates will be confirmed in Sept
- ▶ Gaisce overnight trip in May for those who choose to participate in the course.

Outdoor Activities



Cost

Due to the nature of TY, there are some extra costs in running the year. We do endeavour to keep the cost down as much as possible

| Student | Transition year Levy |
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| Annual TY Registration: covers house exam papers, photocopying costs, 24 hour pupil Insurance cover, IT provision, postage, TY specific School Journal, extracurricular activity bus costs, Careers day, Active Leisure course, annual production tuition, cinema trip, Young Scientist competition, Young Social Student enterprise, DCMUM, R.S.E. programme, Gaisce, S&C training | €160 (to be paid by 30-8-2024) |
| Outdoor activities | |
| Outdoor activities will be pay as you go and these activities are optional | Average € 40 per trip paid though Way2 Pay |
| Optional Courses: | |
| E.C.D.L. (to be paid by 30-9-2023) | €125 |
| Safe Pass (Date TBC) | €90 |

Work Experience

- ▶ Students will do 3 weeks of work experience where they will choose where they would like to go themselves and explore a possible career path.
- ▶ The work experience will be a week long and will run in November, February and May

Dates for Work Experience

Week 1: Monday Nov 25th to Friday Nov 29th inclusive

Week 2: Tuesday Feb 10th to Friday Feb 14th inclusive

Week 3: Monday May 26th to Friday May 30th inclusive