# TRANSITION YEAR PROGRAMME





# Scoil Phobail Bhéara

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### TY PROGRAMME

- > What is Transition Year?
- > Our TY Team
- > Why opt for Transition Year?
- > What subject/activities are available to students
- How are students assessed?



### TRANSITION YEAR

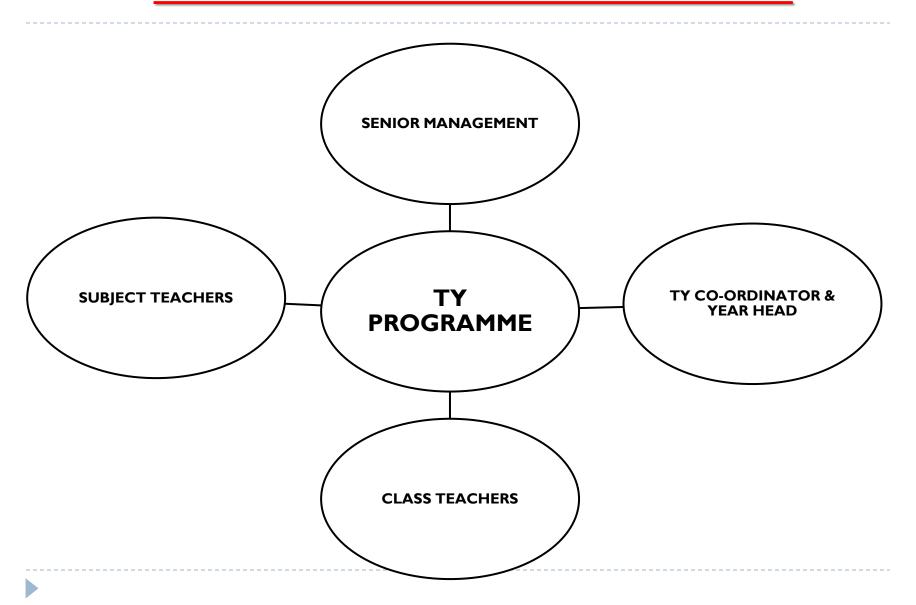
#### What is Transition Year?



- > A highly structured one year school-based programme with 42 timetabled periods per week.
- > An educational bridge between Junior and Senior Cycle.
- Smooth transition to the more independent, selfdirected learning required for the Senior Cycle.



### TRANSITION YEAR TEAM



# TRANSITION YEAR

### Why opt for Transition Year?

- 1. Time to mature and develop greater self-awareness, self respect and self esteem.
- 2. Active teaching and learning methods.
- 3. TY facilitates skills based learning e.g. interpersonal, communication, teamwork.
- 4. Opportunity to sample Senior Cycle subjects to inform subject choice decisions.



# SUBJECTS/ACTIVITIES IN THE T.Y. PROGRAMME

1. CORE SUBJECTS

2.SUBJECT SAMPLING

3.CORE ACTIVITIES

4.ACTIVITIES THAT ENHANCE LEARNING



# **CORE SUBJECTS**

English	
Irish	
Maths	
Enterprise	
Cookery	
ECDL	
PE	
Art/Drama	

# **SUBJECT SAMPLING**

Agriculture	Engineering	History
Business	French	Physics
Chemistry	Geography	ECDL
Construction	Guidance	Technology
Tech. Drawing	Communication	Future Leaders

### **CORE ACTIVITIES**

Community Placement BIM- Engineering

Foróige Radio Broadcasting

Gaisce BIM- Basic First Aid

Mini Company CPR Training

Volunteering Interviewing Workshops

Work Experience Young Social Innovators

Junk Couture Green Schools

RTE Placement iWish

Referee Training PsychSlam

Young Scientist UCC/CIT Placements

YSI Build a Bank

# OTHER ACTIVITIES

- > SAILING
- > OUTDOOR PURSUITS
- > FILM MAKING
- > GAA COACHING COURSE
- > DRIVE FOR LIFE
- > PLOUGHING
- > I WISH PROGRAMME (STEM)
- > KICKBOXING
- > RUGBY COACHING
- > FRENCH EXCHANGE
- > YOUNG SCIENTIST





### **MINI COMPANY**

- > A group of students create a business of their own and produce a product/service.
- > The group market this product/service and sell it to the target market and hopefully make a profit!





### YOUNG SOCIAL INNOVATORS- YSI

- > YSI encourages, motivates and creates new opportunities for young people to actively participate in the community/world around them.
- > Students learn to grapple with different social issues, advocating reform and advancing change.
- > Students work on an innovative project of their choice with the general aim of making a difference in our society







### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

- > <u>Two weeks</u> of work experience before the Christmas holidays in <u>December</u> & two further weeks in <u>May</u>
- Provides the students with an opportunity to sample different jobs
- Students develop skills such as team building, communication skills and commercial awareness.
- Work experience helps students to decide what do to after school



### **COMMUNITY PLACEMENT**

- Every Wednesday students volunteer from 11-1 in local organisations like Tidy Towns, CDA (painting projects), SACRN (GAA training and poly tunnel work), Beara West (Wellbeing Project) Library, Lifeboat station etc.
- > Great way for students to give back to their local community.
- Students attend Community Placement every Wednesday for the duration of one school term











### **ASSESSMENT**

- > Oral/Aural assessment-beyond just language subjects
- > Project Work-written and creative
- Written/Practical class tests
- > Skills assessment-practical demonstration of learning
- > Credit System- in student diary
- Regular <u>written evaluation</u> of activities and learning outcomes from trips
- Christmas and Summer <u>reports</u>
- Certification for all completed modules and short courses at the end of Transition year





### TRANSITION YEAR

ATTENDANCE IS AN ESSENTIAL ELEMENT OF TY AND WILL AFFECT CERTIFICATION AT THE END OF THE YEAR.

The DOSS Year Myth-

Developing
Other
Skill
Sets





"WHAT YOU PUT INTO TRANSITION YEAR YOU WILL GET OUT OF IT".



### TY STUDENTS

- "TY was a roller-coaster of hard work, fun, stress, laughter and friendship"
- "I have changed so much over the year and learned important life skills. Take chances and get involved"
- "I learned a lot about my subject choices for LC. and TY has helped me to decide what I want to do in the future"



### **TY STUDENTS**

- "You get out of the year what you put in, challenge yourself and take advantage of the chances in TY. Step outside your comfort zone. You get to experience a different way of learning. It brings the year closer"
- "I was very shy when I was in Junior Cycle and I became a lot more confident during TY because of everything I got involved in. I think most students matured during TY"
- "It was the year of a lifetime"



#### **APPROX. COST OF TRANSITION YEAR**

Sailing/ Kayaking €175

Ploughing €40

Gaisce €15

Bantry Driving Academy €55

School Tour €215

BIM €75

BIM First Aid €75

GAA Coaching Course €10

Kickboxing €52 (9 weeks)

Ecdl €99

Horseriding €45 (3 weeks)

- Price is an estimate- will depend on numbers participating
- •Students usually pay in €400 in September and then pay further instalments as necessary
- •A statement of account with details of payments and courses completed is sent home at the end of each term



# Sample Calendar of Events

TY January			
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Return to school		
Friday 7th	Sorensen Talk (4k 10am 4Y 10.30 am) rescheduled		
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> Jan	BIM GROUP 2 ALL WEEK		
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Kickboxing and Placement returns (no foróige)		
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	SparkED UL Workshop @ 2.30 pm (virtual)		
Friday 14th	Young Scientist Awards		
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Sorensen Talk @ 9.35am		
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Circus Skills (4K) 9.12.10pm (4Y)12.30-3.50pm		
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>	BIM GROUP 2 ALL WEEK		
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Radio workshop -BIGP		
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Present Health Talk 4k @11 4Y@11.45		
Monday 31st	BIM GROUP 2 ALL WEEK		
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup>	RSA talk 9.10am-9.55am		
TY February			
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> - Friday 4 <sup>th</sup>	GUIDE DOGS VIRTUAL WORK EXP 10-11.30 daily		
Thursday 3rd Feb	Spark Ed Zoom presentation @ 12pm		
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup>	iWish (all girls in TY)		
Thursday 17th	LGFA GAA Coaching Online – 28 students		
Monday 28 <sup>th – Friday</sup>	RCSI Mini Med Programme		
TY March			
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Guide Dogs Fundraiser		
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Lego Workshop 9.30-12.30pm		
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup>	BIM Group 3 All Week		
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	International Women's Day – Zoom Workshop		
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup>	CPR Training and First Aid- practical in school		
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Guest Speaker from Breast Cancer Ireland @ 9.30am		
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Engenius Workshop 10.30 am- 2.30 pm		
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Class Twinning Zoom Call (Montana Project) @ 2.30pm		
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Fire Safety Workshop with		
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> + Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Beara Forest Utd Camp- Finaha Forest		
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup>	BIM Group 3 All Week		
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Montana Project Twinning Call 2 @ 3.30pm		

