

Manor House

Transition Year 2015/16



TY TEAM 2014/15

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Why do Transition Year?



Transition Year is a one year school based programme between Junior and Senior Cycle . It is designed to act as a **bridge** between the two by facilitating the smooth **transition** from the more **dependent learning of the Junior Cycle** to the more **independent learning required for the Senior Cycle**.



The Mission

“To promote the personal, social, educational and vocational development of the students and to prepare them for their role as **autonomous, participative and responsible** members of society”.

The Aims



- Education for maturity, with emphasis on social awareness and increased social competence.
- Promotion of general technical and academic skills, with an emphasis on interdisciplinary and independent learning.
- Education through experience of adult and working life as a basis for personal development and maturity.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

- SMILE committee – promoting positive mental health in the school community
- TY committee – two representatives from each class to liaise with the TY team
- Sport and Leisure management

TY Course Programme

- **Students follow an academic programme of study to help them develop skills in preparation for the Leaving Certificate and to help them choose their Leaving Certificate subjects**
- **One Activity week per month when students participate in trips and workshops and have guest speakers, as well as some academic classes.**

CORE SUBJECTS

- English
- Irish
- Maths
- Religion
- Careers
- Physical education

SAMPLE SUBJECTS

- Languages – French, Spanish, German
- Sciences – Biology, Physics, Chemistry, Agricultural Science
- Business – Accounting/ Business/Economics
- History / Geography
- Art/ Music
- Home economics

Choosing Subjects to Sample

- Sample three subjects in first term and three subjects in second term
- Talk to teachers
- Choose subjects they might need for future college courses/careers
- www.careersportal.ie
- www.qualifax.ie

TY SPECIFIC MODULES

- Enterprise
- ECDL
- Log on learn
- Drama
- Aromatherapy
- Young Social Innovators
- Sport and Leisure Management
- Modules change depending on teacher availability and resources

Sport & Leisure Management

- Designed with the intention of delivering first-hand experience of coaching to students, with a sporting background, who are thinking of pursuing a career in the sport and leisure industry.
- **Module 1:** Coaching
- **Module 2:** Sporting event – Health & Safety
- **Module 3:** Outdoor Adventure Activities/Orienteering and community action
- **Module 4:** Sports Day organisation
- **Module 5:** Health related fitness



TY In-school Activities

- Guest Speakers – eg AWARE; Road Safety; An Oige; Career talks
- Activities – eg Drumming and Dance; Public Access to Law; Study skills; Accord Relationships seminar; Driver Education

MUSICAL

- There will be a Musical next year. Name of show to be confirmed.
- Rehearsals every Thursday from Sept to Dec.
- Show will be performed in December
- All students are expected to be involved – either as performers, enterprise team, art team, front of house or backstage on performance days

TY Out of School Activities

- Visit to Zoo , with workshops
- Ice skating and Cinema
- Butlers Chocolate Factory
- Walking tour of Dublin
- St. Mel's Cathedral, Longford
- Glendalough



An Gaisce President's Award

- Ireland's National Challenge Award
- Young people aged between 15 and 25 years of age
- Bronze award:
 - ☐ Community involvement
 - ☐ Personal skill
 - ☐ Physical recreation
 - ☐ Adventure journey
- 2 of the above for 13 weeks/1 for 26 weeks
- Personal challenge set by the participant
- P.A.L.



Carlingford



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- Carlingford Adventure Centre, Co. Louth
- Sept/After JC results
- 3 days/2 nights
- €180
- Bonding, team-work, develop social & interpersonal skills & adventure activities



Optional Trips

- Ski Trip to USA
- Space Camp Brussels

Ski Trip



Ski Trip

- New Hampshire, Boston, USA
- 3rd Jan to 10th Jan 2016 -deposits already collected
- Ski Lessons-day time
- Varied activities in the evening-cinema, bowling, games
- Shopping

Space Camp, Brussels



Space Camp

- Brussels, Belgium
- €700
- March 2016
- First deposit €100 due on April 30th.
- European Space Centre-Educational
- Waterpark
- City visit & shopping
- Bowling
- Challenger Course
- Paris Trip-Euro Disney

Work Experience & Community Action

- Integral element of TY Programme
- All Students **MUST** participate
- Work Experience/Community Action to take place every **Thursday** in the second and third terms
- Students must secure placement themselves
- Students will be covered by school public liability insurance on all approved placements
- Students must submit forms giving details of placement, and signed by parents, to the TY office by **Fri. 11th Nov 2015**



Work Experience and Community Action

- Block One - 9 Thursdays from 7th January – 10th March 2016 (excluding Thurs 18th March)
- Block Two – 6 Thursdays from 7th April – 12th May

Students may choose to do either

9 days of Work Experience and 6 days of Community Action
or

9 days of Community Action and 6 days of Work Experience

Work Experience and Community Action

- Prepare cover letter and CV
- Start looking now!
- Choose a placement of genuine interest
- Network – use your contacts

Some Useful websites

- www.careersnews.ie/transition-year-courses
- www.raheny.com
- www.mytyireland.com
- www.transitionyearhelp.com
- www.careersportal.ie – follow links to work experience

Additional placements

- Hospital placements – eg Rotunda Mini-Med programme, Mater – Introduction to Hospital Life.
- College courses – Trinity , UCD etc
- Engineering your future/Women in Engineering
- Leadership training courses
- Intel
- Gardai

Students must do their own research. I will email/post on TY noticeboard any information I receive about opportunities.



Assessment

- Portfolio assessment – sample pieces of academic work
- Weekly reflections
- Evaluation of Activities and Guest speakers
- Work Experience reports and diaries
- Community Action reports and diaries
- Attendance
- Project work
- Self-assessment
- Peer-assessment
- Written/Practical class tests
- Oral/Aural assessment
- School exams – Christmas and Summer

Costs!

- Total fee for Transition year including Activities(including Musical), Trip to Carlingford and Amenities – 500 euro
- Deposit 250 euro due by 30th May 2015.
- Balance to be paid by 30th September 2015.
- Can be paid in instalments using easy pay plan on the website.

Additional activities

- Additional costs for optional activities eg Compute TY in DCU cost 35 euro for one week in January
- Expenses for subject specific trips eg Science trip to W5 in Belfast
- DART fares for trips in Dublin

Students

To be included on the students TY database and receive information about TY activities/opportunities throughout the year please email

manorhousety@gmail.com

Write Student 2015/16 in the subject line and your name in the body of the email.

Parents

To be included on the parents TY database and receive information about TY activities throughout the year please email

manorhousety@gmail.com

Write Parent in the subject line and your daughters name in the body of the email.



Questions?