

# TRANSITION YEAR UPDATE

## WELCOME TO TY 2020 -2021

Our year began with great uncertainty but our TY students have shown great patience, resilience and enthusiasm to get involved in everything that has been offered to them. As co-ordinator, I have been impressed and touched with the very many 'THANK YOUs' I have received as students recognise the efforts that are being made to overcome the challenges of organising the programme this year. I must offer sincere gratitude to the students, parents, teaching staff and the wider community for the support that they are offering in generating ideas, resources and venues for us.



TY students have been engaging with new and traditional subjects. In line with the government's 'Roadmap to Re-opening our Schools', teachers have been working to bridge the gap between Junior and Leaving Cert. In English classes for example, the poetry of Eavan Boland has been introduced as a foundation for studying Leaving Certificate poetry. Our students have started to come up with wonderful enterprise ideas and we are looking forward to seeing the finished products. Our Cairde groups cannot go ahead as planned but our students will be writing to our more senior students and will be preparing a video of song, dance and story telling to share with nursing homes throughout the county. Our more senior students will be



involved, remotely, with this production. We are in the midst of Wellness Week at present, and our TYs will be trained on hands only CPR. We are running project 165—a project where we hope to gather 165 photos of positive, happy or beautiful things associated with our school community and our area. Every TY student is expected to contribute at least one photo. Families are welcome to become involved also.

### Are you getting involved?

#### What have TY students been doing?

'Knit for Raheen' Project

Environmental and sustainability workshops

Film making

Forensic Science

GAA Future Leaders

Kayaking

Line dancing

Orienteering



Portfolio Preparation

Project 165

Retreats

Sales skills online course

Show racism the Red Card

Social Media for my business

Solo waltzing

Stress Management

Time Management

Trip to Derg Isle Adventure centre

St. Joseph's, Tulla

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### In Brief — just a few things in the pipeline

Young Entrepreneur Workshops

Yoga

Boxercise

Science Week Workshops on

-The Science of Maths in a Pandemic

-The Amazing Cosmos Journey

Ecology field Study (weather permitting)

Further online courses

We wish our students and their families a safe and enjoyable midterm break.

