



# Transition Year Information Evening

Wednesday October 16<sup>th</sup> 2019



# Outline – Why?

- To ensure Parents/Guardians were aware of the structures of TY for those who have never had a student through it before AND to inform those who have about the changes and developments we have made.
- This presentation is up on the web site in the Transition Year section.

# Start of the year – 2019/20

It has been an incredibly busy time of year for all of the students.

Everyone has settled into all of their various activities and different subjects well and should be working hard at this stage.

We have had managed to offer a really wide range of things this year including:

Russian, Surf-dock, The Wall, Japanese, Zumba, Photography, Film, Catering, Mini Company, Film and many more.

Most students got nearly all of their first choices. If anyone wants to change for module 2 they should let their Form Teacher know by Friday





## Start of the year - 2019

- Attendance has generally been very good BUT has started to wain a little

However the Form Tutors are reporting about a 20% absence or late rate recently.

- 'one-day-a-weekers'
- information given in reg


Must emphasize where a student applies for TY Leave to ensure they can be marked absent with leave on the rolls, the trip must have an educational aspect, e.g. RCSI and Trinity Programmes, extra work experience etc.





# Start of the year - 2019

- Special mention to all those students so heavily involved in all sorts of ECA:
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- Hockey – Build up to the All Ireland's
- Basketball – Girls and Boys
- Rugby – Reaching semi final of Leinster Schools league
- Drama
- - Techsperts – a real highlight!!
- - Community Action



# General Information

1. Can appointments be made outside of regular school time please as it tends to be quite disruptive when students are missing classes. TY timetable allows time especially on Monday afternoons, Tuesday afternoons and Wednesdays for appointments to be made outside of school time.
2. Think Languages takes place on December 6th in The National Convention Centre – the whole year are attending
3. Parent Teacher Meetings happening:  
Tuesday December 10th  
Friday December 13th

Please get your student to do some work around their work experience etc. TY is about independence – don't soak up all of the stress!

# General Information

- We would request that anyone in either of the form groups travelling to Gartan OEC in November please ensure they have paid their TY Fee as the bulk goes to pay this invoice.
- Ms Cooper (TC)
- Ms French (SFR)





# End of Module Assessment

- Total of 450 credits (1350 overall)
- Awarded for everything participated in, work completed, in class assessments.
- Reports are balanced to reflect evenly; participation, effort, academic ability and enable ALL students of ALL abilities to achieve high grades in TY.
- Grades:
  - 60 – 69% = Pass
  - 70 – 85% = Merit
  - 86 – 100% = Distinction



# End of Module Assessment: Due to be online before the P-T meetings

- Reports (in most cases) will be awarded out of 450  
All subjects are /20 (generally 10 for course commitment and 10 for assessment)
- Some adjustments may be made for those not doing a subject etc.
- 3 reports during the year.  
November, February and May



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Transition Year 2017 – 2018  
Module 1/2/3

Name:      Form Group:  
Absence:      Late:

Subject	Course Commitment	Attainment	Teacher Comment
English	/10	/10	
Irish	/10	/10	
Maths	/10	/10	
Language (French / German)	/10	/10	
Science (Option A)	/10	/10	
Social Studies (Option A)	/10	/10	
Option B:	/10	/10	
Arts:	/10	/10	
Lifeskills 1:	/10	/10	
Lifeskills 2:	/10	/10	
Work Area:	/20		
Leisure and Recreation:	/20		
Community Action	/30	Signatures / 7	at
Work Experience	/30	At	
Activity Week	/30		
Form Teacher Assessment	/50		
Portfolio	/40		
Attendance	/30		
Total Credits	/450		
Percentage			
Total overall credits			
Total overall percentage			



## End of Module Assessment:

## Two Types of credits.

### Form Teacher Credits:

Community Action	30
Work Experience	30
E-Portfolio	40
Attendance / Lates	30
Activity Weeks	30
Extra Credits -	50
ECA	
Cooperation	
Extras	

### Other Credits:

Core Subjects  
Work Area  
Arts  
Option  
Leisure and Recreation  
Science  
Social Studies  
Lifeskills



# Form Teacher Credits

- Folder due in October 23rd (NEXT WEDNESDAY)  
To be uploaded to their One Note by this date.
- Work Experience and Activity Week write ups are due the Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November after activity weeks finish and will be awarded credits after this.
- Many of these credits are based on participation and attendance throughout the weeks.
- STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO BE PRESENT AND ON TIME.





# What happens if you fail / pass narrowly?

- Support structures:
  - The Learning support department have in place structures to help students who fail / pass narrowly.
  - Students will be placed in a support group to help with organisation and folder work.
  - Maximum of 6 students and they will be chosen by the TY team as to who may benefit most from this support
- Missing work:
  - Students who are missing large amounts of work will be expected to complete it and hand it in
  - Access to class during Module 2/3 may be restricted until students have completed the missing work. This will be at the discretion of the Year Leader, DP and Principal.



# Activity Week Information: General Information

- Punctuality and attendance.
- Students are expected to attend on time for all scheduled activities.
- Rules are same as if they are in school.
- Dress Code
- If a student is going to be absent / late for any reason please let the front office know immediately.



# Activity Week Information: Work Experience



- Work Experience Forms are due in this Friday October 18<sup>th</sup>, these should be handed to Form Teachers.
- Documentation relating to insurance can be found on the Web Site, , under Student and then Transition Year.
- [http://www.newparkschool.ie/transition Year](http://www.newparkschool.ie/transition%20Year)
- STATE INDEMNITY AND WORK PLACEMENT GUIDELINES HAVE CHANGED – IF SOMEONE IS LOOKING TO DO SOMETHING OUT OF THE ORDINARY ML MUST BE CONTACTED AS THE DESIGNATED PERSON FOR TY.
- Please dress appropriately for all work experience.
- Students must bring their Work Experience Assessment forms and upload their write ups back to their Form Teacher on the first Monday after Activity Weeks. (Monday November 19<sup>th</sup>)

# Activity Week Information: Arts Week



- Arts Week activities happen in school. The students have been given a the information in their OneNote all the times and venue. This info is available on the App and the web site.
- This year again we are theming our Arts week to give it cohesion and everything produced will be on display on TY Graduation at the end of the year.  
Thursday May 22nd 2020
- Please be punctual and attend EVERY day otherwise you and your group will miss out.

# Activity Week Information: In Dublin Week



- In Dublin Week has a variety of exciting activities this year.
- Students **MUST** note different times, meeting places and locations. This information is already on the App, the web site and they have it in OneNote.
- Please dress appropriately where it is necessary, e.g. the Courts, Leinster House, this is important as we do not have a uniform.
- **It is imperative that all TY students have a Leap Card as they will be travelling around the city on LUAS, DART and Bus. It saves time and money.**
- If a student is late please let the school know **IMMEDIATELY** so that groups are not waiting for someone who is not coming / can make arrangements to wait for someone.



# Activity Week Information: Outdoor Pursuits – Gartan OEC



- Bus departs from school at 7:30am on Monday morning.
- Returns to Parnell Square at 3:30pm approx. on Friday.
- Form Teachers will have filled in dietary, medical and other requirements and sent through booking forms.
- Students will be given a list of what to bring in the coming week.
- There is NO need for students to have large amounts of cash with them, spending access will be very restricted.
- If someone is not going to travel due to illness etc please send an email to myself and the students Form Teacher ASAP.

# Activity Week Information: Outdoor Pursuits – Gartan OEC.



- Rules are set in place as per Newpark's Trips Policy which can be found at <http://www.newparkschool.ie/policiesprocedures>
- PLEASE REMIND AND GO THROUGH WITH THE STUDENTS THE CONSENT FORM SIGNED IN THEIR BOOKLETS AT THE START OF THE YEAR
- As set out in the rules, no misuse of any substances will be tolerated and consequences will ensue.
- Discipline is in the hands of the Centre staff and the Newpark staff.  
While away all students are expected to show respect in all interactions they have with other students, staff and other adults.



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Thank you  
for  
coming in  
tonight!!