



Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope you are keeping well and I look forward to communicating with you throughout the year. Your child has now completed the induction programme for Transition Year, the long awaited trip to Carlingford Adventure Centre and various other workshops. They have also completed a driver education course where they got the opportunity to learn to drive a real car, change a tyre and much more. I hope they are enjoying the experience of Transition Year so far.

We have a very busy schedule between now and Christmas. The musical will take place in November in conjunction with St. Kieran's College. We will also be organising a 'mystery tour' in the lead up to Christmas. The students will engage in a number of workshops over the coming weeks including a certified first aid course and barista coffee making course.

The first block of work experience will take place from 16th October to 20th October. Well done to all students who have secured a placement for work experience.

Transition year fees will be paid in 2 Instalments, and in order to facilitate the TY programme this funding is essential.

Instalment 1	€200	13th October
Instalment 2	€150	17th November

Each student has set-up an ePortfolio which they will work on each week in their tutor class. This will contain a record of everything they have done including photographs, trips/workshops, evaluations, assignments etc. It might be a good idea to have a look at your child's ePortfolio regularly so you can see what work they have been doing. Every student should now have received a handbook which contains all the information about our TY programme including important dates and how the year will be assessed. It is very important for parents/guardians to look through this handbook so you can keep up to date with what is happening. There is also a calendar of events online which has been shared with your child. Please note that this is a working document and workshops/activities are constantly being added. A newsletter will be sent out before the end of term.

Looking forward to a busy couple of months ahead.

Yours sincerely,
Stephen Murphy
Programmes Coordinator