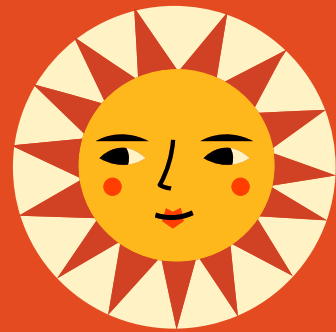


THE BUZZ

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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



After four days the 2025 Irish Sailing Youth National Championships wrapped up on Sunday, the 27th of April, off Dun Laoghaire, crowning youth champions in six classes. Congratulations to 5th year Sean Cronin who came first in his category. The 420 class saw Sean Cronin and his team member Cora McNaughton take the top two person boat spot, winning the overall competition with two first-place finishes. The Championship featured over 160 young sailors from across the country. It was hosted this year by the Royal St George Yacht Club. The Irish Sailing Youth National Championships are the biggest youth sailing event held in Ireland with the majority of competitors aged between 12 and 18. Photo credit @afloat.ie



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We are delighted to share that the Irish 2025 World Junior Championships U19 Badminton team has been announced and an incredible 4 out of the 6 players selected are our very own Institute of Education students. Pictured above from left to right are 6th year Pranav Erukattil, 5th year Nicole Joy and 6th year Fionn Dowling. 5th Year Senan O'Rourke (not pictured) has also been selected.

They will travel to India to compete in the prestigious World Championships at the National Centre of Excellence, Guwahati, Assam, India from the 6th to the 19th of October 2025. Inaugurated in August 2023, the state-of-the-art venue boasts 14 courts, an international standard gymnasium and a seating capacity of 4,000 spectators. We wish them the very best of luck in the Championship.



**Badminton
Ireland**



GUIDANCE



HI STUDENTS!

Welcome back to a short week after the Bank Holiday! As we draw closer to the summer and Leaving Certificate exams, please be assured that the guidance and pastoral team are on hand to lend our support with our appointments and drop-in service.



IMPORTANT NOTE 6TH YEARS

Today, Tuesday 6th May from 12pm (midday) the CAO Online Change of Mind facility becomes available (Free) and closes on the 1st of July at 5:00pm. *Students are advised to make any changes to their CAO list by the end of May, before the Leaving Certificate examinations begin.

UPCOMING OPEN DAYS AND EVENTS:



Griffith College Dublin - Open Day (On campus):

Tuesday 6th May 2025: 5:30pm - 7:00pm

DCU Transition Year (TY) Open Day (Glasnevin campus):

Thursday 8th May 2025: 9:30am - 1:30pm

This event will include course presentations delivered by current DCU students, talks about student life, how to make friends and get involved, free campus tours to explore facilities & food trucks and live entertainment

ATU Sligo and St. Angela's Open Day:

Saturday 10th May: 10:00am - 1:00pm

ATU Sligo & ATU St. Angela's Academic and Student Support Teams will take you on a campus tour, where you will meet the students and learn more about their programmes.

SETU - (Carlow Campus) Spring Open Day:

Saturday 10th May at 10:00am

SETU's Open Day provides an opportunity for students to explore their educational facilities, and to learn more about the courses and student life at SETU.

National College of Ireland (NCI) - Open Day (On campus):

Saturday 10th May at 10:00am

Students will learn what it's like to be a student at NCI, find out more information about the courses and see where they would be studying if they chose NCI.

**Please register online for these events to secure your place*

Have a great week, The Guidance Team



SCHOOL CANTEEN

Daily Grab & Go service on the 2nd floor beside 2-3

Main Canteen

TUESDAY

Chicken Thai Red Curry, Coconut Coriander Rice €6

Salad Special: Roasted Med Vegetable with Pesto Chicken

Sandwich Special: Cuban Panini

WEDNESDAY

Cheese Burger and Chips €6

Salad Special: Chipotle Chicken, Crispy Potatoes, Lime Yogurt Dressing

Sandwich Special: Chicken Fillet Roll

THURSDAY

Buffalo Chicken Wings and Chips €6

Salad Special: Chicken, Feta Pasta Salad

Sandwich Special: Chicken and Chorizo Melt

FRIDAY

Big Mac Loaded Fries €6

Salad Special: Chicken and Bacon Caesar Salad

Sandwich Special: Club Sandwich

Lemonade Special: Elderflower and Cucumber

Iced Tea: Raspberry and Passion-fruit



6TH YEAR STUDY



6th years: please contact Orla if you need any support for revision or study plan etc. Call to room LG-1 or email onishuilleabhain@instituteofeducation.ie



REVISION CLASSES



Every Tuesday, we have a drop in revision class in HL Maths with Aidan. It is for 6th years in 2-3 / 3:30-4:30pm. Aidan covers a new topic each week.



Every Thursday, we have a drop in revision class in Geography with Lesley. It is for 6th years in L1-0 / 3:30-4:30pm. Lesley covers a new topic each week.



Every Mon, Tues, Wed and Thurs we have drop in revision classes in HL Maths with Hilary. It is for 6th years in HG-1 / 7:55-8:27am.



GOLF OUTING



We held a golf outing for Institute students on Monday, April the 14th at Lucan Golf Club. The weather was good and the course was in excellent condition. The golf was followed by lunch in the clubhouse.

Congratulations to our winners:

First place: Conor O'Neill (Pictured top left) 44 Points

Second place: Stellan Frost (Pictured top right) 41 Points

This was our second subsidised golf outing of the year for students (the first was in Grange Golf Club, Rathfarnham in September). Twenty students participated from 4th, 5th and 6th year between the two outings and some great golf was played on both days. The students enjoyed the experience of playing new courses and the new friendships they built up. The feedback was excellent, the students enjoyed the day immensely and are looking forward to next year's outing. Thanks also to John Taylor for organising both events.



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Congratulations to 5th years Prabhav Nayak and Namuun Natsagdorj who were very successful at UCD Cube Days 2025 which were held in April 2025. Speedcubing is a competitive sport in which the aim is to solve a Rubik's cube as fast as possible. Prabhav came 2nd in the Megaminx event in UCD with an average solve time of 32.82 seconds, which is 29th in the world.

There are many variants that are held at official World Cube association (WCA) competitions and both students have had success throughout the year. Here are a few of their best statistics from other previous competitions:

Prabhav previous bests:

- Megaminx: Set a time of 29.48 seconds, placing him 2nd nationally and 25th globally.
- Square-1: Set a time of 6.78 seconds, placing him 1st nationally.

Namuun previous bests:

- Clock: Average solve time of 3.83 seconds, placing her 1st nationally and 14th in the world.
- 4x4x4 Blindfolded: Average solve time of 9 minutes and 15 seconds, placing her 1st nationally and 270th in the world.
- Clock: Fastest solver of the clock event in Mongolia with an average time of 3.79 seconds.

