

THE BUZZ

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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



Congratulations to 4th year Radu Pamfil who was recently selected by Swim Ireland to join the National Athletes Programme in the Junior Pathway Cohort this year. Athletes are selected to join the National Programme based on their results in the previous season. Radu has reached this level at just 15 years of age through hard work and dedication, managing to juggle school with his training, which is currently 8 times a week. Athletes chosen for the Swim Ireland National Programme should be on a performance trajectory for a 2028 and/or a 2032 Olympic Games qualification. We wish Radu the very best of luck with his current training, his upcoming international competitions and in all his future sporting endeavours.



4TH YEAR INITIATIVE



Well done to all our students who took part in the Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal. We collected 66 boxes this year, despite having only three weeks' notice before collection. We were delighted to see contributions from 5th and 6th years - especially as 6th years were in the middle of their exams! Research shows that the part of the brain linked to a sense of satisfaction becomes active when we give to others as we share an intrinsic motivation to make the world a better place. We could see that satisfaction amongst our students dropping off their shoeboxes. Thank you to our 4th years for organising the collection, these shoeboxes are often the only gift that a child living in poverty will receive this Christmas - a truly worthy cause.



GUIDANCE

HI STUDENTS



CAO & HPAT REGISTRATION

All 6th year students should have registered for their CAO number. All aspiring undergraduate medicine students also require their CAO number to book the HPAT exam now, so please do not delay in registering! If you need help with registration or your CAO course listings, please contact the guidance team to arrange a meeting.

UCAS DEADLINE TODAY!



The school deadline date is today Monday 1st December for 6th years applying for UK courses. Contact the 6th year office immediately if your UCAS application has not been assigned to a guidance counsellor.

LUNCHTIME TALKS



Tuesday 2nd December: 4th & 5th yrs / 11am - 12pm in H1-0

Cantor Fitzgerald will host a talk on careers in investment banking, capital markets, prime services, research & asset management.

Wednesday 3rd December: 6th yrs / 12:30pm - 1:20pm in HG-1

Victoria Wilson, School Engagement officer, will host the Lunchtime Talk on Physiotherapy and will also briefly talk about a new undergraduate Veterinary programme and Pharmacy.

Thursday 4th December: 6th yrs / 12:30pm - 1:20pm in HG-1

Prof. Maria Meehan and Dr Orla Dohoghue will co-host the Lunchtime Talk on Actuarial, Financial Maths and Maths & Statistics.

DARE 2026



Attention all Dare applicants! Now is the time to book that DARE appointment with Helen Casey in 2-6A. You would be wise to get this sorted, this side of the Christmas break.

OPEN DAYS & EVENTS



Monday 1st December at 6:30pm

Shannon College of Hotel Management - Virtual Information Session

Wednesday 3rd December at 6:30pm

University of Limerick - Law Webinar & Overview of New LLB Law & Cyber Security. (Also LM020: BA in Law and Accounting, LM028: BA in Criminal Justice, LM029 Bachelor of Laws (Law Plus) and LM027 Bachelor of Laws in Common and Civil Law).

Saturday 6th December from 10am - 2pm

TU Dublin On Campus Open Day, Grangegorman Campus

**Students must register online to attend these events*

Best of luck to all of our students sitting the International SAT Tests this weekend! Have a lovely week ahead,

Liz, John, John, Sarah & Helen



CANTEEN SPECIALS



Mon: Pepperoni or Margherita Pizza with Fries €6

Tues: Buttermilk Chicken Burgers with Ranch Dressing Cos, Brioche Bun & Golden Fries €6

Wed: Chilli Beef Tacos, Salsa Guacamole & Mexican Fried Rice €6

Thurs: BBQ Pulled Pork with Macaroni & Cheese €6

Fri: Mexican Beef Cheese Burgers with Fries €6



ROAD SAFETY FIRST



A reminder to students to stay safe: ALWAYS cross at the green man when crossing Leeson Street between the Library Building and the Main Building. Please do not rush across the street to class. Take your time, be mindful, stay alert and pay attention to our traffic monitor. A traffic monitor is on duty at the lights every day from 10am to 3pm, helping students cross safely - please listen to their instructions.



MASTERCLASSES



This Monday, December 1st, we have a Masterclass in French with Nicky Dowling. It is for 5th & 6th years and is in person, in room G-7 at 5pm.



This Wednesday, December 3rd, we have a Masterclass in History with Sean Delap. It is for 5th & 6th years and is in person, in room G-7 at 5pm.



This Thursday, December 4th, we have a Masterclass in Irish with Rachel Mahon. It is for 6th years only and is in person, in room G-7 at 5pm.



REVISION CLASSES



Every Mon, Tues, Wed & Thurs we have drop in revision classes in HL Maths with Hilary. For 6th years from 7:55-8:27am in 2-3 & for 5th yrs 8:30 - 9am in L2-2.



Every Monday we have a drop in revision class in Economics with Rob. It is for 6th yrs in HG-0 / 4:30-5:30pm. Rob covers a new topic each week.



Every Tues & Fri we have drop in revision in Biology with Roisin in G-4. For 6th yrs from 7:57 - 8:27am. This week's topic is Human Reproduction. **Bring a set of Biology past papers with you.**



Every Wednesday we have a drop in revision class in HL Maths with Aidan. It is for 6th yrs in H1-0 / 3:30-4:30pm. Aidan covers a new topic each week.