

THE BUZZ

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The buzz is a weekly newsletter for all students at the institute

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6th Years Only



Date: 11-03-2020
Event: Enrolment Day Ballsbridge College of Further Education.
Contact: Vivienne.bates@ballsbridge.cdetb.ie.
Some very useful courses there with links to University degrees.

Date: 12-03-2020
Event: Killester College of Further Education Walk in Interviews and Information from 4.00pm to 7.00pm.
Contact: guidanceoffice@killestercollege.ie
Useful courses that are also linked to university degree.

Date: 15-03-2020
Event: Hear/Dare supporting documents to arrive in CAO office by 5.15pm.
Contact: www.cao.ie

Spanish Club



An interesting and educational new Spanish speaking club is start for 5 th Year - everyone is welcome. It takes place every Wednesday at 11:45 in Room 3-8.

It provides a great forum for Spanish practice, especially now coming up to the summer exams! Call in and join, it'll be fun!

Health and Wellbeing



You will notice that there has been an increase in the number of hand sanitizers around the school. We have also place lots of information on the notice boards about how best to prevent the spread of illness.

In order to help ensure a healthy environment for everyone it is asked that you familiarize yourself with this information and use the hand sanitizers when relevant.

If you have any health concerns, you can talk to someone in the office.

5th Years Only



Guidance Talks for 5th years will be given during the coming weeks. These are about applying to university for September 2021.

UCAS, which means the Universities and Colleges Application Service for the UK (England, Scotland, Wales, N.Ireland). It is a facility similar to CAO which processes applications and is based in Cheltenham.

The Guidance Counsellors will give 2 talks in March. The first will take place on Wednesday March 18th at 11.30 and the second on Tuesday March 24th also at 11.30.

- If you have any idea that you may consider applying through UCAS it is really important that you attend these talks. Why?
- The application process is long and requires time and reflection.
- The first deadline is on October 15th -for those applying for Med/Vet/Dent and or Oxford and Cambridge.
- Time will need to be spent on your Personal Statement, one important feature of the process, and preliminary tests may need to be done.
- It is not wise to leave all this work until September when the demands of 6th year require your time and energy.

CAO talks will also be given. The CAO is the Central Applications Office and is based in Galway. Although the process is less complicated it is strongly recommended you start to consider what you may want to study after the Leaving Cert.

- The really important thing to do is research as much information as you can before making your choices.
- This means looking at entry requirements both minimum and specific; reading the course content, checking out work placements and/or Erasmus and considering possible careers.
- The talks will take place on Thursday 26th March at 11.30 and again on Wednesday April 1st also at 11.30.

Around The School



Thank you to all the students that volunteered to be ambassadors for the opening evening last week.

The parents and potential students were thrilled to meet such passionate and engaged individuals. You really showed how great the students here can be!