

# THE BUZZ

NEWSLETTER @ THEINSTITUTEOFEDUCATIONDUBLIN

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



## WELL DONE!

It is now the second full week of online learning and I would like to congratulate all students for adapting to life in our virtual school. Your resilience and dedication to your studies are to be applauded. Attendance at classes is excellent and teachers have reported that student engagement is also excellent. Well done!

With that being said, it is important to acknowledge that distance learning can be challenging. Make sure you take breaks where you allow yourself to revel in something special to you. It can be a moment of calm where you walk the dog or connect virtually with friends. Give yourself routine and use it to allow yourself to step away from work, for a period of time each day. Be kind to yourself if you feel it is tough. You are not alone in this feeling and you need not be alone in coping with it. The entire team is here to support you. If you need an empathetic ear, some steadying reassurance or informed advice, talk to us. I am available, as is Liam, Hugh, Aoife, Margaret, Ingrid, Lorraine and our office team - please feel free to contact us.

I look forward to seeing you again, when circumstances allow, but in the meantime know that we are here to support you. We will always put you at the centre of everything we do - whether we are together or apart.

## CONTACTS

Our Office Team 08:00 - 16:30

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Year Heads & Principal 07:30 - 17:30

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## HELPDESK

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Our Guidance Team

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# GUIDANCE

## HI STUDENTS



### 5TH YEARS

Not sure what you want to do after school? An interest test is a great place to start. The Guidance Team offer 'My Uni Choices', 150 questions about your likes and dislikes. You'll receive feedback and suggestions of university courses that are likely to be of interest.

If you're finding choosing 3<sup>rd</sup> level courses daunting, you should find completing 'My Uni Choices' very helpful. This is offered to 5<sup>th</sup> year students only: please Email Lorraine on [lryan@instituteofeducation.ie](mailto:lryan@instituteofeducation.ie)

### HPAT REGISTRATION DEADLINE

**HPAT Ireland 2021** closes at 17:15, 20<sup>th</sup> January

**HPAT Ulster 2021** closes at 17:00, 23<sup>rd</sup> January

### CAO FINAL REMINDER

A final reminder that the discounted application fee of €30 is only available until 17:15, 20<sup>th</sup> January. There is a free change of mind facility so opening your CAO now makes sense!

## EVENTS/OPEN DAYS

IADT are kicking off their series of Spotlight Sessions on courses today at 17:00. These sessions will take place at 17:00 every day, for the next few weeks. To view the full schedule and register visit: [iadt.ie/spotlight-sessions](http://iadt.ie/spotlight-sessions)

21<sup>st</sup> January - NUI GALWAY CAO Information Evening

PLC Colleges are now open for applications and many are having Virtual Open Days: 20<sup>th</sup> Jan: Killester College, Ballsbridge CFE, Inchicore CFE, Dun Laoghaire Further Education Institute, Marino CFE. 21<sup>st</sup> Jan: Sallynoggin CFE and 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan: Marino Institute of Education

## HEAR/DARE/RACE

If you need to talk to someone about the DARE, HEAR or RACE routes for college entry in 2021, please contact Helen Casey at [hcasey@instituteofeducation.ie](mailto:hcasey@instituteofeducation.ie)

## WEEKLY WEBINARS

Weekly webinars continue this week with Art & Design. As always, Wednesday at 16:00, link is on Moodle.

*Have a lovely week*

## TUTORIAL - ACCOUNTING

A 6<sup>th</sup> year tutorial in Accounting is starting with ROL and will be especially helpful for students who may be struggling with Q1 - Final a/c's. Tuesdays at 17:00, starting this Tuesday the 19<sup>th</sup> Jan. Link is on Moodle.

## EXTRACURRICULARS



The extracurriculars can be accessed via the "Additional Resources" group on Moodle. No experience is necessary, simply drop in and see if you enjoy them.

This year saw the addition of Coding to the extracurricular roster and it proved so popular we had to limit numbers due to social distancing requirements. However, due to it currently being online there is no number limit for these sessions - feel free to drop in!

## POETRY CORNER



### The Dust of Snow

The way a crow  
Shook down on me  
The dust of snow  
From a hemlock tree

Has given my heart  
A change of mood  
And saved some part  
Of a day I had rued.

— Robert Frost