THE BUZZ

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STUDY BLITZ DAY

Next Monday Orla is holding a Study Blitz for 4th and 5th years from 8:30am - 3:30pm, in order to give all students a chance to attend during their study period.

Orla will be covering 1. Classroom Skills, 2. Improving Concentration, 3. Motivating Yourself, 4. Setting Goals, 5. Revision Skills, 6. Taking and Making Notes, 7. Homework Skills, 8. Revision Techniques, 9. Exam Techniques, 10. Memory Techniques, 11. Reading Skills, 12. Stress management and will supply a comprehensive Study Skills book for each student. *Not to be missed!*







LUNCHTIME CLUBS

11:30am

Tue: Circuit Training (Convent Pl.) / Music App. (Music Rm.)
Coding (Comp Rm.)

Wed: Circuit Training (Convent Pl.) / Table Games (Art Rm.)
Thur: Circuit Training (Convent Pl.) / Film Club (LG-2)

12:30pm

Mon: French (LG-3) / Tues: Spanish (LG-3) / Thurs: Irish (LG-3)



EXTRACURRICULARS

3:30pm - Starting next week 06.09.2021

Mon: Film Studies (LG-2) / Table Tennis (Music Rm.) /
Entrepreneurship (1-0)

Tue: Graphic Design (Comp. Rm.) / Life Coaching (1-0)

Wed: Creative Writing (LG-2) / Bridge (G-4)

Thur: Philosophy (LG-2)

Fri: Debating(LG-2) / Football (Meet at G-8 - starts 17th Sept)

Coming Soon: Basketball, Athletics, Badminton, Chess, Drama

LET THE CLUBS BEGIN!

Last week, as you wove through the warren of corridors and stairs to find your classes you brought the school to life. The halls that were once silent in anticipation thrummed with first introductions and joyous reunions. Now that you have found your classrooms and met your teachers the next phase of your school life becomes available.

This week the lunchtime and afterschool extracurriculars clubs begin and there are more of them than ever before! These are free for any student to join and sitting in on one session does not commit you to the whole year. Sample anything that catches your eye or imagination. Love film? Meet fellow cinephiles over lunch with Film Club or learn to analyze the techniques of the silver screen in Film Studies. Do you have a competitive streak? Outthink your opponent in Bridge or Tabletop Gaming or best them with nimble maneuvers in Table Tennis. Maybe you want to indulge a passion for creativity and culture? We have Creative Writing, Music Appreciation and Graphic Design. Perhaps you see yourself as a new online tycoon, in which case we should see you in Entrepreneurship and Coding. These are just a few examples of what is on offer and you should pick whatever kindles a spark of excitement in you.

The afterschool clubs are available to all years, while the lunchtime clubs are limited by your timetable. If you are in 6th Year and wish to hone your language skills in a relaxed and informal environment the lunch clubs are perfect for you and will have you feeling more assured for Orals later in the year.

In order to ensure everyone has access to Coding and Graphic Design, please register your interest with dconnolly@instituteofeducation.ie.

More activities will be introduced throughout the year so keep an eye on the noticeboards and here in the The Buzz.

We look forward to meeting you all!



















HI STUDENTS.

We hope you're settling in well and enjoyed your first week. We're really enjoying meeting you all. Don't forget that whatever year group you're in or whatever you need help with, you can sign up for an appointment with Aoife or Brona. No query or question is too big or too small; we will always do our very best to help.

HOW TO MAKE A GUIDANCE APPOINTMENT:

Here at the Institute you are welcome to make as many guidance appointments as you wish. There are sign up sheets on the Guidance Noticeboard outside office 2-6A. We also have a drop in clinic every morning from 8.30-9.30, with no appointment necessary. If for any reason you can't make an appointment, please don't forget to cancel by either crossing your name off or emailing your guidance counsellor. *Thank you*

UCAS

All 6th years applying to Oxford and Cambridge, as well as Medicine, Veterinary and Dentistry all over the UK should have their UCAS applications well under way to make the October 15th deadline. Please make sure to come see one of us if you haven't already. There is also lots of information on the guidance noticeboard:

- * aptitude test info (for your immediate attention)
- * personal statement help sheet
- * predicted grades sheets
- * UCAS application checklist (including buzzword)
- * references information

Due to COVID restrictions, places at aptitude test centres are limited and we urge you to register as soon as possible.

WEEKLY WEBINARS

The guidance department run weekly webinars every Wednesday at 4.00pm. These will be starting next week on the 15th with a talk on UCAS applications. If there's any topic you'd like to hear more about this year, please let us know in the guidance department.

Have a great week, Aoife & Brona





HOODIES



Our bespoke school hoodies have been created by Wolfhound & Elk, with the help of our students, who we consulted on the design and colour.

Wolfhound & Elk are a fully owned Irish company, whose vision is to deliver no compromise quality, ethical and sustainable fashion. They are dedicated to developing and providing a platform for bespoke sustainable clothing that is based on respect for people and respect for our planet. They source 100% organic cotton to produce their products using only biological fertilizers and natural pesticides. All processes (e.g. dyeing and printing) are environmentally friendly. They also use recycled polyester, taking plastic bottles from our oceans and landfill and transforming them into high performance fabrics.

By wearing this hoodie, one is doing one's bit in contributing to the sustainable clothing movement. We hope you love them! You can call into Karen in the school office on the first floor to get one.





A very important date on your calendar is Wednesday the 15th of September. It is the final date for submitting timetable changes. Please ensure to get in touch with guidance and the office team before then if necessary.