# THE BUZZ

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Interested in taking part in Model United Nations next year? If so then please call into LG-2 this Thursday at 11.30am. No experience necessary, just come along and get a sense for the activity. Jeremy Browne (5<sup>th</sup> year) had this to say about MUN: "I would recommend the Model UN conferences to anyone that enjoys things like current affairs, public speaking, or even just a fun weekend, because at the end of the day, that's the whole goal of the event, fun!"

Above are pictures of students enjoying a MUN event this year.

# **STUDENT SPOTLIGHT**



Congratulations to 5<sup>th</sup> Year student Megan Xi-Ran Piao who has been selected for the Fencing Ireland squad which will compete at the ISF Gymnasiade 2022 School Summer Games. Taking place in Normandy from 14<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> May these Games represent the largest international multi-sport event for 16-18 year old students. We wish Megan all the very best!



Graduation Ball 2022: Sat 24<sup>th</sup> September, Aviva Stadium, 7:30pm. Tickets are still available for 6<sup>th</sup> year students from the reception on the ground floor. Tickets are €90 and students can pay by cash or card.







## HI STUDENTS,

Remember the guidance counsellors are always here to support you with any challenges that you may be facing. Please sign up for an appointment or drop in any morning 8.30-9.30am.



#### **6TH YEARS**

CAO change of mind opens on Thursday at noon so you can make any changes to your CAO (except introducing restricted courses) right up until July 1st 2022.

Applications for the SUSI grant 22/23 opened last week. Check out the eligibility reckoner to see if you might be eligible on susi.ie



#### **5TH YEARS**

Planning on applying to UCAS next year? Aoife will hold a talk on Thursday in 2-3 at lunchtime on how to prepare and what you need to do.

Have you applied for University Summer school yet? Book now to avoid disappointment.



## **4TH YEARS**

Have you made sure to observe any subjects that you're considering for next year? Please speak to a guidance counsellor if you need any help with your decision.





This Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, our Masterclass in Biology with Wesley Hammond is **for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> years** and will be live online at 7pm. *Links is on Moodle*.



Well done to our entrepreneur Aishling Wood who apart from studying hard for her upcoming Leaving Cert exams, has been busy developing her new start up business 'Bean Around'. The new company makes sustainable exfoliating skincare products using coffee grinds that are collected from coffee shops.

Describing her business journey, Aisling who plans to study Business and Japanese at DCU 'I have always been very aware of environmental and sustainability issues and I try to do everything that I can to prevent waste and reduce my impact on the planet. At the start of Covid, me and my family started to develop a number of exfoliating skincare products using coffee grinds that we collected from coffee shops. We received initial research funding from Enterprise Ireland which allowed us to work with scientists from the Technological University of Dublin to further develop and test our exfoliating soap and body scrubs. Our products come in a range of great smelling fragrances and are perfect for removing fake tan and leaving skin feeling silky smooth. Our exfoliating soap bars are on sale in coffee shops in Dun Laoghaire and in May our Bean Around coffee body scrubs will be on sale in all of the stores of a well-known supermarket across the Country.'

Keep a look out for Aisling and 'Bean Around' in the press over the next few weeks as they will be featured in a nationwide advertising campaign. You can follow Aisling and her company Bean Around on instagram at beanaround\_ie