

THE BUZZ

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MESSAGE FROM THE TEAM



We warmly welcome all our students back to the academic year 2023/2024. We trust that you have had a rejuvenating summer break and that you are eager and enthusiastic to return to classes for what promises to be another great year for all. It is vital to begin the new school year as you wish to proceed. Steady and organized study is of the essence as you lock onto your objectives for the coming year. We encourage you to avail of all the extra learning opportunities which will be part of your experience with us in The Institute of Education. Our guidance team has been augmented with John McGinnity, late of Maynooth University, joining the team. We welcome Deirdre Kelly in her role as Head of Pastoral this year. We wish our tutors Orla Ní Shúilleabháin, (6th year tutor) and Nicky Dowling (4th and 5th year tutor) the best of luck as they begin their roles as further support to the students over the coming year. Susan Kavanagh is settling into her role as Office Manager for the full time school in the first floor office. We welcome Susan to the office team and wish her well in the role.

As ever, communication is of the essence. Keep your eyes on the school's communication channels; the weekly 'Buzz' newsletter, the monthly calendars, email communications, texts and the digiboards and noticeboards around the school. Via these channels you will be kept abreast of school activities across the range of academic and wellbeing and extracurricular activities on offer in the school. NB! We encourage students to settle into the rhythm of their timetables early in the year in order to promote stability where learning and study is concerned. Students seeking timetable adjustments must do so by Friday September 15th. We will endeavour to accommodate such requests, however, we cannot guarantee that all timetable adjustment requests will be met due to timetabling constraints. Timetable requests should be made via the timetable@instituteofeducation.ie email.

As always, if you have any queries or questions about your timetable or any other subject, please call into the first floor office or make an appointment with your year tutor.

Tús maith, leath na h-oibre as the Irish proverb tells us; a good start is half the battle!
We wish every one of you the very best for the coming year. The future is yours to forge!

Kind regards,

Yvonne, Liam & Hugh

TIMETABLES



DEADLINE

The final deadline for timetable changes is **Friday the 15th of September**
Please email timetable@instituteofeducation.ie with any changes

WELCOME BACK



A warm welcome to our new students and a warm welcome back to our returning students. The guidance team is really looking forward to working with you all in the year ahead. Our team is delighted to be joined this year by Dr. John McGinnity. John is joining us from Maynooth University, where he held the role of Admissions Officer and Assistant Registrar. He has been a friend of The Institute of Education for many years, is a very experienced guidance counsellor and has a wealth of expertise.

A unique feature of the guidance counselling service at The Institute is that you can drop in to see any of the team, every morning between 8.30-9.30 with no appointment necessary. For a half hour appointment from 9.30-3.30 please sign up on the noticeboard outside the office of the appropriate guidance counsellor. Please don't miss class to attend appointments - sign up for a time during a study period or lunch instead.

Aoife is in office 1-6A and is a dedicated 6th year guidance counsellor for the first term. She will be working with all the students applying to UCAS.

Helen is in office 2-6A and is our learning support, DARE, and Race expert. Helen will also be working with all 4th and 5th years in the first term.

John will be based in office 3-6A and is also a dedicated 6th year guidance counsellor for the first term.

Please feel free to make an appointment with us if there is anything we can help you with, whether that's tying down your subject choice, help with college applications or indeed if you'd like a confidential listening ear for any other challenges you may be faced with. We are happy to help and look forward to meeting you. See you soon.

Aoife, Helen & John



UCAS

6TH YEAR UCAS

Are you planning on applying to UCAS for the **October 16th deadline**? UCAS applications are a time-consuming process, so please pick up a checklist from the guidance noticeboard and make an appointment with Aoife in room 1-6A if you need any assistance. If you are applying to study medicine, dentistry or veterinary in the UK you need to take an aptitude test (UCAT for most Universities/BMAT for some). Please note that it is important to register for the appropriate test as soon as possible. For further information about the tests, check the guidance noticeboard.



6TH YEARS - SAVE THE DATE

Save the date for the The Institute of Education's Futures Fair on Thursday 26th of October from 5-7pm. There will be stands from Ireland's top universities and colleges as well as fantastic informative talks.



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