

# THE BUZZ

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## MESSAGE FROM THE TEAM



The Festive holidays are nigh! It is time to take a break from the books for a spell. We encourage you to take advantage of the hiatus in your hectic schedules and move away from the books for at least some of the holidays. It has been a wonderfully interesting and productive first term and we would like to take the opportunity to congratulate you all on your efforts thus far. Your dedication to achieving your goals through hard work and diligence is exemplary. Participation in the various extra-curricular activities has been enthusiastic and galvanizing to witness and the inaugural Institute Christmas Fair proved to be a fitting testament to the sense of community in our school. To cap off an exceptional first term, the school was awarded the "Dukes Education School of the Year Award". We wish you the very best over the festive season. Enjoy the time off and we will see you back in harness on Monday, the 8<sup>th</sup> of January. A very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Warm regards,

*Yvonne, Hugh and Liam.*



## STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Congratulations to 5<sup>th</sup> Year student Estella Morrissey who came first in the 12-15 year category of the Zurich Young Portrait Artist of the Year 2023. Estella was awarded the prize at a formal reception at The National Gallery of Ireland last week for her incredible portrait of her grandpa titled *Travel with Optimism*.

*Estella Morrissey  
2023*



# GUIDANCE

## HI STUDENTS



Well done students, you've made it to the last week of 2023! Make sure to take some well-deserved time off over the holidays. It's so important to catch up on your sleep, rest, recharge your batteries and most importantly, to enjoy yourselves.

## COURSE RESEARCH



The holidays are an ideal time to do some course research. Spending time with friends and family is an ideal opportunity to do some informal course research too!

## UCAS REMINDER



The final deadline to pay and submit your UCAS application is January 8<sup>th</sup> 2024. This is to allow the centre (school) time to add references, predicted grades and check applications for errors. Aoife is available for feedback on personal statements and to answer any UCAS related questions this week.

## AD ASTRA



Anyone applying for UCD Ad Astra Elite Sports or Performing Arts scholarships should be working in their applications in advance of the 31<sup>st</sup> January closing date.

## COLUMBIA/DUAL BA



A reminder that the closing date is January 2<sup>nd</sup> so if you're applying make sure to touch base with Aoife this week.

## CAO



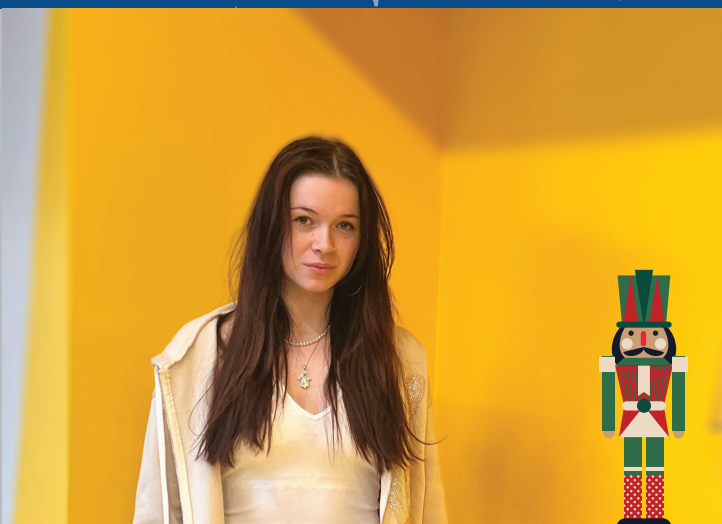
Please open your CAO account and make a first pass at the courses you are thinking about applying to at Level 8 and Level 7/6. It is very important to insert any restricted courses you may be interested in before February 1<sup>st</sup>. Non-restricted application courses can be changed when the CAO change of mind opens between early May and July 1<sup>st</sup> 2024.

## DARE



Helen has drop in (no appointment necessary) for all DARE applicants this week.

*Aoife, Helen & John*



## STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Well done to 5<sup>th</sup> Year student Edie O'Brien who recently recorded a piece for the Dublin South FM Podcast 'An Entrepreneur Like You'. Edie's essay was originally written for Clodagh Havel's English class for the theme 'Wonder and Excitement' and was then recorded in Studio in Dundrum for the Podcast - which rounded off the year with their podcast's theme as 'Wonder and Awe!' with Niamh Shaw. It is currently on Spotify, listen to Edie's spoken word at the following: [spotify.com/episode/5BZwr04OWACwa4sbhtk520](https://spotify.com/episode/5BZwr04OWACwa4sbhtk520)



## MASTERCLASSES



This Monday, Dec 18<sup>th</sup>, we have a Masterclass in Chemistry with Chloe **It is for 5<sup>th</sup> years** and will be live online at 5:30pm.



## REVISION CLASSES



Every Monday we have a revision class in Economics with Rob. **It is for 6<sup>th</sup> years** in HG-0 at 3:30. Topic: Microeconomics Material.



Every Monday we have a revision class in Geography with Lesley. **It is for 6<sup>th</sup> years** in L1-0 at 3:30. This week's Topic: Revision quiz.



Every Tuesday, we have a revision class in Maths with Aidan. **It is for 6<sup>th</sup> years** in H1-0 at 3:30. This week we will cover: g, f, c method, lines and circles.