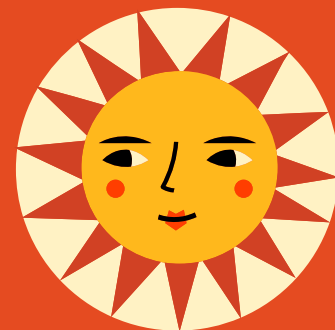


THE BUZZ

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MESSAGE FROM THE TEAM

I am sure we have all heard the adage that “a good start is half the work”. September comes with so many fresh starts that the start of term is always a hurricane of activity - new school, new subjects, new teachers, new friends. We know it can be a tiring mixture of excitement and nerves. Yet, with two full weeks complete, everyone is becoming more confident and settled. Friendships are kindled in lunchrooms and activities. Once unfamiliar faces are becoming smiling beacons welcoming us to our classes. The warren of winding corridors and stairs animate and become a school. Your school.

Now, with so much done, we set our sights to what lies ahead. We want you to feel empowered in your subjects, secure in the knowledge of the steady progress you will make. But that momentum requires consistency and commitment. Settle into your timetable and attend all your classes. Our hopes are shaped by our habits, our rewards by our routines. You have achieved so much already, so let's build a bright future upon it.

Yvonne, Hugh, Aideen & Dee

STUDY SKILLS



All students will have access to Orla's study skills book and supplementary material on their Moodle page this week from Tuesday 17th of September. Blank timetable templates will also be in the study halls this week for all students.

Orla will also be delivering this year's Study Skills Seminars:

5th Yrs / Wednesday the 25th Sept / 4:15 - 5:15pm in HG-1

6th Yrs / Thursday the 26th Sept / 4:45 - 5:45pm in HG-1

4TH YEAR SCHOOL TRIP



Our first 4th year trip was a huge success. We were blessed with a sunny day - which as we know makes all the difference. From bog-jumping to bread-making, dancing to bodhran playing - there was something for everyone. Congratulations to Sarah Gordon pictured above, who beat Causey Farm's record of 'Most chickens on one person'! The previous record was 8 and Sarah, with the physical support of her fellow students, managed to get 8 chickens and a rooster. A proud moment for us all :-)



GUIDANCE



HI STUDENTS,

GUIDANCE APPOINTMENTS



Here at The Institute, you are welcome to make as many guidance appointments as you wish. You should not miss class to attend appointments but rather make an appointment for a time when you have study or lunch. There are QR codes outside each guidance office. We also have a drop-in clinic every morning from 8.30-9.30am for quick queries with no appointment necessary. If for any reason you can't make an appointment, **please don't forget to cancel so someone else can avail of the slot.** We have an open-door policy so if you would find it helpful to bring a parent/guardian with you to any appointment, you are more than welcome to do so. Thank you.



UCAS

All 6th years applying to any course in 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 that you have registered for admissions test if applicable (deadline is fast approaching) and that your UCAS account is linked to the school as soon as possible by making an appointment with a guidance counsellor. This deadline does not apply to students applying for the second deadline.



THURSDAY TALKS

For our Thursday Talk last week we were joined by Queens University Belfast, a Russell group university only two hours from Dublin. Belfast Grand Central Station will open soon with hourly trains to and from Dublin. While some courses are still extremely competitive, others have lower entry requirements than Irish universities. Also worth noting, the Irish Government are currently paying the difference between the student contribution rate (€3,000) and the undergraduate tuition fee in Northern Ireland to QUB (£4,750) for 25 medical students. This week we're discussing Medicine. As always, 12:30 in HG-1.



OPEN DAYS

Well done to everyone who visited Northern Ireland over the last couple of weekends. The University of Ulster Coleraine campus, very popular with our students wishing to study Pharmacy, Psychology and Biomedical Sciences is holding their open day this Saturday 21st of September.

4TH YEARS

One of our guidance counsellors, Liz Carey has been visiting all 4th year students at their tutorial classes to talk to them about subject choices, work experience, extracurricular opportunities and the accessible guidance support we provide. Any 4th year who would like to follow up with Liz, please make an appointment using the QR code.

Have a great week, your Guidance team



LOVE ATHLETICS?



If there is sufficient interest in Athletics we will add it to the extracurricular time-table. Please scan the QR Code on the Athletics sheet on the noticeboard outside the 1st floor office. If you don't register your interest the class won't be created - so if track and field events are your jam - pop up to the office and sign the sheet. Thank You!



MASTERCLASSES



This Monday, Sept 16th, we have a Masterclass in English with Emma. It is for 5th & 6th years and is live online at 6:00pm. *The link is on your Moodle.*



This Monday, Sept 16th, we have a Masterclass in Biology with Emily. The topic is food. It is for 5th years and is live online at 7:00pm. *The link is on your Moodle.*



This Tuesday, Sept 17th, we have a Masterclass in Economics with Rob. It is for 6th years and is live online at 7:00pm. *The link is on your Moodle.*



REVISION CLASSES



Every Monday we have a drop in revision class in Economics with Rob. It is for 6th years in HG-0 / 4:30-5:30pm



Every Tuesday, we have a drop in revision class in HL Maths with Aidan. It is for 6th years in H1-0 / 3:30-4:30pm. This week's topic: Functions: injective, surjective, bijective.



Every Thursday, we have a drop in revision class in Geography with Lesley. It is for 6th years in L1-0 / 3:30-4:30pm. Lesley covers a new topic each week.



Every Mon, Tues, Wed and Thurs we have drop in revision classes in HL Maths with Hilary. It is for 6th years in HG-1 / 7:55-8:27am.