



# General Aim of the Transition Year

- “Transition year programmes are intended to facilitate the integrated development of the intellectual, emotional, spiritual, physical, social and vocational capabilities of each individual student through structured learning experiences. The general aim of the Transition Year is the preparation of young people for their role as autonomous, participative and responsible members of society”.

# St Joseph's CBS School Aims for TY

- St Joseph's CBS TY curriculum is one that will:
  - ◆ Provides students with opportunities to develop their personal, intellectual, spiritual, social, physical and emotional life in a caring, stimulating and varied learning environment.
  - ◆ Provide a transition between Junior and Senior cycles.
  - ◆ To encourage students to achieve their potential in subject areas and learning experiences within the programme.
  - ◆ To provide a broad and balanced curriculum including the provision of additional support in the core subjects where possible.

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- ◆ To provide students with opportunities for personal and social development.
- ◆ To help students to discover their inherent talents, skills and to foster a spirit of leadership amongst the cohort.
- ◆ To facilitate students in making better-informed subject choices for Senior Cycle.
- ◆ To assist students in taking greater responsibility for their own learning and decision making.
- ◆ To prepare students for the world of work, further education and life-long learning.
- ◆ To provide students with the supports and skills necessary to grow in self-confidence and develop a range of interpersonal and communication skills.

# The Transition Year Opportunities

- ✓ Make informed choices about Leaving Certificate subjects.
- ✓ Develop a variety of new skills
- ✓ Learn more about the working world through work experience.
- ✓ Catch up on learning missed out during the Junior Cycle.
- ✓ Take part in outdoor pursuits.
- ✓ Learn about working as part of a team.
- ✓ Undertake projects on various topics.

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- ✓ Practice meeting deadlines for assignments.
- ✓ Become a more independent learner
- ✓ Develop more understanding and confidence about yourself as a person.
- ✓ Learn about leadership, co-operation and dealing with conflict
- ✓ Learn through meeting people beyond the classroom.
- ✓ Awareness of social issues.
- ✓ Discover more about your own personal strengths – what you are good at.

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- ✓ Discover more about jobs and career opportunities.
- ✓ Enhance ICT skills.
- ✓ Become a more mature person
- ✓ Add a valuable set of experience to your CV
- ✓ Sample and discover new subjects
- ✓ Engage in experiences that will take you out of your comfort zone

# The TY Programme will offer the following

## subject areas:

- Gaeilge
- English
- Mathematics
- Art/Craft/Design
- Business Studies/Enterprise Education
- Robotics
- CAD (Computer Aided Design)
- Performing Arts
- Guidance/Work Experience



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- Environmental Social Studies – Geography/History/Archaeology
- Home Economics
- ICT
- Physical Education
- Religion/Advocacy
- Science
- Woodwork/DCG
- SPHE/RSE
- Music

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- First Aid
- Wellbeing
- Russian
- French/German/Spanish
- Politics and Society/Law
- Touch Typing
- Coding
- Car Workshop

# Assessment and Certification

- Reflective Journals
- Portfolios
- Class homework
- Various different Certificates for online and physical courses
- Regular reporting as per other years
- Work Experience

# TY Finances

- Our TY fees are decided at board of management level. Parents will pay the fee in two instalments normally on acceptance of their TY place and at the start of the academic year. Various trips and activities may be extra as the year progresses but we try not to put too much pressure on parents.