

# Transition Year Programme

Coláiste Dún an Rí provides an optional one-year transition programme between Third and Fifth Year. Please see [Policies | Colaiste Dun An Ri](#) for a copy of our TY Admissions Policy.

## Transition Year 2023-2024

Applications for TY for 2023-2024 will be issued at the end of January 2023 and places will be offered in February. The TY Information Evening for prospective applicants and parents will take place in school on Tuesday 31 January at 7pm. Coláiste Dún an Rí will offer 96 places for TY for the 2023-2024 academic year.

## Transition Year 2022 - 2023

### Transition Year Calendar

<b>WK 1</b> <b>AUGUST/SEPT</b>	Block 1 29	30	31	1	2 Ty's back to school
<b>WK 2</b>	5 LCA Causey Trip	6 TY Causey Farm Trip	7	8	9 LA519 fundraising
<b>WK 3</b>	12 Movie Magic	13 Movie Magic	14	15	16
<b>WK 4</b>	19	20	21	22 Gaisce Talk @9am	23
<b>WK 5</b>	26 TY Business Guest speaker Ms. Rahill class only	27	28	29	30 <b>School Day off</b>
<b>WK 6</b> <b>OCTOBER</b>	3	4 SVP workshop  PE Modules, period 5 & 6	5 Referee course periods 3 & 4 for Future Leaders class	6	7 Circus Skills
<b>WK 7</b>	10 Heather Humphreys /Helen McEntee visit @10am 4B	11 SVP workshop  PE Modules, period 5 & 6	12	13 Bake sale- Wells of Life	14 Manual Handling -P Rooney TY Business Class only to Butlers Chocolate Ms. Rahill 11am-4pm
<b>WK 8</b>	17	18 SVP workshop  PE Modules, period 5 & 6	19 Referee course periods 3 & 4 for Future Leaders class Breast Cancer Fundraiser 4B	20 Firearms Safety Course	21 Firearms Safety Course
<b>October</b>	24 TY Work Experience	25 TY Work Experience	26 TY Work Experience	27 TY Work Experience	28 TY Work Experience

<b>WK 9 NOVEMBER</b>	31 Mid-Term	Mid-Term	2 Mid-Term	3 Mid-Term	4 Mid-Term
<b>WK 10</b>	7 4B @10am – Brendan Smith Visit	8 SVP workshop  PE Modules, period 5 & 6	9 TY future leaders: Referees course P3 & 4 and Coaching course P4	10 English Trip – Seamus Heaney & Garda Operational Day-	11 First Aid 9-12am 4A
<b>WK 11 Science Wk &amp; Stand UP Week</b>	14 Forensic Fun CSI	15 <b>JCT CLUSTER DAY</b> – School closed for students	16	17 Special Effects Make up	18 First Aid 4B – 9-12pm
<b>WK 12 College Awareness wk</b>	21 4B @ 10am - Niamh Smyth visit  GYP ROC – careers and scholarships at 1.50	22  PE Modules, period 5 & 6	23 TY future leaders: Coaching Course P4	24	25 First Aid 9-12am 4C
<b>WK 13 Block 2</b>	28 George McMahon Drama	29 LCA 1& 2 Ikea Trip  PE Modules, period 5 & 6	30	1 Supply chain logistics & procurement TY course CMETB	2
<b>WK 14 DECEMBER</b>	5	6  PE Modules, period 5 & 6	7	8 LCA -Supply chain logistics & procurement TY course CMETB	9 School Day off
<b>WK 15</b>	12	13 TY Business Guest Speaker Kingspan 11.10 - 12.12 C.Rahill  PE Modules, period 5 & 6	14 Festive Wear to show you care- Wells of Life.  Christmas quiz for 1 <sup>st</sup> years period 2. Pieta House- TY L. Smith Community Care students	15 Xmas Concert	16 Xmas Trip Leave at 9am – Ice Skating Swords
<b>WK 16</b>	19	20 PE modules Period 5 & 6	21	22 Christmas Holidays	23 Christmas Holidays
	26 Christmas Holidays	27 Christmas Holidays	28 Christmas Holidays	29 Christmas Holidays	30 Christmas Holidays
<b>JANUARY</b>	2 Christmas Holidays	3 Christmas Holidays	4 Christmas Holidays	5	6
<b>WK 17</b>	9	10	11	12 Bake Sale- TY CC- L. Smith (Period 1, 2 and little break)	13 Boys – Testicular cancer talk – Irish Cancer Society 10am

<b>WK 18</b> <b>wellbeing</b> <b>week</b>	16	17 Outcomers workshop x3	18 TY Business Trip to Combi lift 9am – 1pm C Rahill class only	19 SOAR	20 RSA Interactive Shuttle Bus
<b>WK 19</b>	23 Ski Trip	24 Ski Trip	25 Ski Trip	26 Ski Trip	27 Ski Trip
<b>WK 20</b> <b>FEBRUARY</b>	30	31 Self Defence Course Personal Safety	1	2 TY Community Care-Coffee morning/Jersey/Ci nema morning	3 Road Safety Training
<b>WK 21</b>	6 Bank Hol TY Work Experience	7 TY Work Experience	8 TY Work Experience	9 TY Work Experience	10 TY Work Experience
<b>WK 22</b>	13 Mid-Term	14 Mid-Term	15 Mid-Term	16 Mid-Term	17 Mid-Term
	20	21 Wheelchair Basketball P5&6	22	23 4( some B and C) Trip to the Dail	24
<b>MARCH</b>	27 Ged Nash visit – Afternoon TY	28 I wish Conference RDS – Girls only STEM	1 Skip N Rope	2	3
	Block 3 6	7 Junk Kouture Regional Finals	8	9 Poetry Slam	10
	13	14	15	16 Breast Cancer Ir Talk- Girls only 10.30-11.50 LCA 2	17 Bank Hol
	20	21 Wheelchair Hurling	22	23 Segway E-movement	24
	27 Thomas Byrne visit @10.15am 4A	28 Hell & Back, all day (50 students)	29	30 School Closed JCT Day	31
<b>APRIL</b>	3 Easter Holidays	4 Easter Hoildays	5 Easter Holidays	6 Easter Holidays	7 Easter Holidays
	10 Easter Holidays	11 Easter Holidays	12 Easter Holidays	13 Easter Holidays	14 Easter Holidays
	17	18 Dance with Grainne	19	20 P Crann Drumming	21
	TY Trip to the Dail – 25 students	25 Dance with Grainne TY Business Class only Kingspan Ms. Rahill	26	27 TRIP TO DCU?	28 Reptile Heaven
<b>MAY</b>	1 <b>BANK Holiday</b>	2 Trip to Cloughjordan Eco Village TY Development Class Dance with Grainne	3	4 Gaisce Overnigt?	5 Gaisce
	8	9 Dance with Grainne	10	11	12 End of Year Interviews

	15 Summer Exams	16 Dance with Grainne	17	18	19
	22 TY Graduation	23 Dance with Grainne	24	25	26
<b>JUNE</b>	29 TY Work Experience	30 TY Work Experience	31 TY Work Experience	1 TY Work Experience	2 TY Work Experience

The cost for the TY Programme 2022-23 is €250, I have tried to keep the cost of the programme to a minimum, this means that a lot of workshops and talks are in house. There will be optional trips throughout the year and these will be an additional cost to the TY fee. Payments should be made via Way to Pay with Ashling in the office and no later than 30th September 2023. Most materials and course providers will be paid for in advance by the school so it is vital that we ensure that we have the budget to supplement it. Any families experiencing financial difficulties or concerns about payment should send an email in confidence to [sharoncumiskey@cmetb.ie](mailto:sharoncumiskey@cmetb.ie) and arrangements will be made.

### **Updates for the 2022/23 TY Programme (So Far....)**

Please note that the TY Programme is a living programme so things may change over the course of the year.

The BIG trip this year is Skiing to Andora – this is an optional trip and further information is giving to all who applies. There is a limit on the amount of students who can receive a place.

NB: For the 2022/23 Programme The TY Portfolio is digital and end of year interviews are based on this piece of work. The portfolio is a collection of exemplary pieces of subject work, reflections on talks/workshops and their work experience reports.

We will also include a fully certified First Aid Course, Manual Handling and Microsoft software package – Gmetrix. These certificates are valid for 2 years.

Transition Year offers pupils a broad educational experience. It provides a bridge to help pupils make the transition from a highly structured environment to one where they will take greater responsibility for their own learning and decision making. Pupils participate in learning strategies which are active and experiential, and which help them to develop a range of transferable critical thinking and creative problem-solving skills.

TY also gives students an opportunity to reflect on and develop an awareness of the value of education and training in preparing them for the ever-changing demands of the adult world of work and relationships.

Please find a list of some external TY specific programmes – many of these can be found on the

following websites:

[www.ty.ie](http://www.ty.ie) and [www.careersportal.ie](http://www.careersportal.ie)

## **Business Programmes**

IBM TY Student Workshop for students interested in Maths/Science (1 week in Autumn and Spring):

[https://careersportal.ie/workx/employer\\_search\\_result.php?offer\\_id=63](https://careersportal.ie/workx/employer_search_result.php?offer_id=63)

Ericsson Ireland TY Work Experience Programme

National Gallery of Ireland TY Work Experience: <https://www.nationalgallery.ie/transition-yearwork-experience>

## **College Programmes**

Centre for Talented Youth of Ireland

<https://www.dcu.ie/ctyi/index.shtml>

Centre for Talented Youth Correspondence Courses  
January - May

Dublin City University's CTYI offers a number of correspondence courses for students in Transition Year. Students may apply directly to CTYI and need not have taken a prior assessment. The course runs from January to May, with assignments due every 3-4 weeks.

<http://www.dcu.ie/ctyi/correspondence-secondary.shtml>

## **University of Limerick**

<http://scieng.ul.ie/news-centre/events/transition-year-science-programme>

## **Trinity College, Dublin**

<https://www.tcd.ie/study/other-courses/ty-programmes/>

## **My Health Transition Year Royal College of Ireland Programme**

<https://www.rcsi.com/dublin/undergraduate/meet-rcsi/myhealth-transition-year-programme>

## **Cooking, Catering and Hospitality**

Dublin Barista School

World Barista Association (WBA) Courses

Dublin Barista School offers over 20 different coffee related courses. Specialise in training students with no experience to a level whereby they can get a full time or part time job in the coffee industry. A valuable addition to any CV. This skill is recognised around the world and can be transferred to any country.

<https://dublinbaristaschool.ie/course/barista-workshop/>

Barista School Ireland

Courses nationwide and a dedicated training centre in Cork

Structured barista workshops by trainers who have years of experience training, competing, managing and consulting in the hospitality sector with a primary focus on specialty coffee.

<https://www.baristaschoolireland.ie/>

## **Hospitality Skills Ireland TY Hospitality Workshop**

Hospitality Skills Ireland provide a six hour hospitality training course to Transition Year students where you can gain experience for employment in the hospitality industry. The

programme covers personal hygiene, what makes good service, different departments in hotels, customer service, food and beverage and housekeeping.

The course consists of basic theory and the students will be taking part in practical situational training learning at first hand basic skills required for the industry.

<http://www.hospitalityskillsireland.com>

### **Music and Drama**

Cork School of Music TY Work Experience Week

CIT Cork School of Music offers a special work experience week for students who wish to gain a real insight to the professional demands and working routine of the orchestral musician. Suitable for young musicians in TY who have achieved at least grade five on an orchestral instrument.

Transition year musicians from any school in Ireland are welcome to apply for this weeklong, full-time work experience opportunity at the CIT Cork School of Music. There is no charge for this course and all materials will be provided.

<http://csm.cit.ie/tyop>

Sárscoil Fíbin Irish Drama Course

Residential course in the Connemara Gaeltacht

Students improve their spoken and written Irish through drama, games and team building activities. A 2-3 day residential course in Connemara with Drama workshops during the day, Music workshops during the evening and games and activities in between, all in Irish.

<https://sarscoilfibin.ie/>

### **Nursing and Medicine**

Mini Med TY Programme

Applications close in Sept so apply early. Programmes run in Dublin (January) and Waterford (February)

The Royal College of Surgeons of Ireland (RCSI) offers a five day experience for Transition Year students interested in a career in Medicine. The programme covers a wide variety of topics and introduces students to both undergraduate and postgraduate aspects of a career in medicine

<http://www.rcsi.ie/dublinty>

Try Nursing TY Programme

2- day programme in October/November. Apply early through Eventbrite

The programme takes place at WIT over two days and activities will include talks on nursing as a career, student presentations, nursing laboratory skills, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, first aid, clinical scenarios and a tour of WIT facilities

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/d/ireland--waterford/try-nursing/>

Nursing and Health & Social Care Professionals Study Day

Apply 8 weeks prior to course. Queries; [sandra.daly@amnch.ie](mailto:sandra.daly@amnch.ie)

A 1- day study incorporating nursing and health and social care professionals that allows TY students to explore the many healthcare career paths available. Students must apply timeously. Course is run at Tallaght Hospital and students receive a certificate of attendance on completion

<http://www.amnch.ie/Departments-Clinics/Departments-A-Z/Centre-for-Learning-andDevelopment/Transition-Year-Information-Study-Day.html>

### **Science and Engineering**

#### **Compute TY Programme**

Contact [Christine.Stears@computing.dcu.ie](mailto:Christine.Stears@computing.dcu.ie) / 01-7005237

DCU's School of Computing runs programmes covering the following; Web design, App Inventor and Introduction to Programming. Students may elect to do only one stream. The overall content offers a broad range of computing skills.

<http://www.computing.dcu.ie/event/computety>

#### **Intel TY Programme**

Communication and (early) applications via email

Intel offers 3 programmes aimed at TY students; "Social innovation & Entrepreneurship" (contact [paulbell32@outlook.com](mailto:paulbell32@outlook.com)), "The Intel Experience Program" and "Cutting Edge Careers" (both at [intel.ireland.corporate.affairs@intel.com](mailto:intel.ireland.corporate.affairs@intel.com))

<http://www.intel.ie/content/www/ie/en/education/secondary-school-program.html>

#### **Engineering Your Future Transition Year Programme**

Hosted by a number of colleges around the country, the Engineering Your Future programme provides a week of exposure to the various engineering disciplines. Attending students gain a meaningful, practical insight into engineering at third level and as a career - interacting with lecturers and graduates, taking part in workshops and meeting engineers during industry visits.

Applications open in January and programme runs in May  
EYF is a week-long, hands-on programme, for TY students who have an interest in science and maths. It is designed to introduce them to the exciting and diverse world of engineering. The event

is supported by STEPS and hosted by a number of third-level institutes throughout Ireland.

<http://steps.ie/students/engineering-your-future.aspx>

### **TCD School of Physics TYPE TY Programme**

The School of Physics in Trinity College Dublin runs two programmes for Transition Year Students; a week in November and two one-day events in February. TYPE is the Transition Year Physics Experience at Trinity College Dublin and is a programme of events that introduce TY students to physics and the physicists at Trinity.

<http://www.tcd.ie/Physics/outreach/type/>

### **IWish Cork & Dublin**

I Wish is an initiative to inspire, encourage and motivate young secondary school female students to pursue careers in STEM. I Wish (inspiring women in STEM) features a conference and interactive exhibitions. The conference consists of workshops, daily keynote and engaging talks by women who are at the top of their field in STEM. The showcase event combines talks and interaction with female role models ( superstars and graduates ) with interactive exhibition spaces where companies engage with the students directly with experiments and demonstrations of what they actually do

<http://www.iwish.ie/>

### **Trinity College Zoology TY Week**

Would you like to know what it is like to be an undergraduate student of zoology? Experience the life of a scientist, come face to face with an elephant who travelled with Queen Victoria's son? Learn how vultures hunt and how to use insects to solve crime? If so, you may be interested in a TY week in the Department of Zoology, TCD.

This year there are 24 places available. We have a varied and fascinating programme of activities for your week with us. There is no fee involved for the programme, all you need to bring is your enthusiasm.

<https://www.tcd.ie/Zoology/TYweek.php>

### **NIBRT Biopharma TY Programme**

NIBRT have launched the first dedicated biopharma transition year placement program. This program is open to all students currently in transition year with an interest in STEM.

The 5 day placement in NIBRT will allow students the opportunity to experience the state-of-the-art facilities and learn from scientists and engineers working in the research and training teams. The placement will conclude with a dedicated group project presented to management by the students.

<http://www.nibr.ie/index.jsp?p=104&n=289>



## **Biochemistry & Immunology TY Work Experience Programme**

Applications close early, so apply early  
TCD's School of Biochemistry & Immunology runs work-experience weeks for Transition Year students. Students spend half their week in a research lab with students & researchers. The rest of the week involves group activities with talks, quizzes and visits to scientifically relevant sites on campus

<https://www.tcd.ie/Biochemistry/outreach/transition-year.php>

## **Chemistry TY Programme**

Applications close when capacity is reached, so apply early  
TCD School of Chemistry hosts a week-long programme for 60 Transition Year students. The programme includes introductory lectures, experiments, presentations and a college tour. Programme usually runs near end of February but places fill up very early.

## **Physics TY Programme**

A week in November and two one-day events in March  
Information is sent out to Schools in early September 2016. The deadline for receipt of Applications will also be announced in early September. For any queries please contact  
Helen

O'Halloran on (01) 896 4141 or by email [type@tcd.ie](mailto:type@tcd.ie)

<https://www.tcd.ie/Physics/outreach/type/>

## **National Architects in Schools Initiative**

Online Resource for Students interested in Architecture  
My Architecture Design Journal; Download a copy of the Student Design Journal and follow the step-by-step guidelines. There are supporting resources for each of the briefs in the Student Design Journal including research links and "how to" guides

<http://www.mydesignjournal.ie/students/>

## **The Bar of Ireland TY Programme**

Full week programme that runs early February. Applications close early December, one entry per school.

A one-week programme giving insight into a career as a barrister. 100 participants will be selected by process of a lottery and only one name to be entered per school. Costs are covered, except accommodation and transport to and from The Bar of Ireland's office each day.

<https://www.lawlibrary.ie/SpecialPages/Transition-Year-Programme.aspx>

## **Exploring Materials TY Programme**

Applications close early, so apply early  
TCD's Advanced Materials and BioEngineering Research (AMBER) lets TY students from around the country experience what it's like to work in AMBER for a week. Students are selected for their particular interest in pursuing science as a career. Due to high demand, only one student is accepted from each school

<http://www.crann.tcd.ie/Education-Outreach/School-s-Programme/Exploring-Materials.aspx>

## **Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Studies TY Programme**

Experience during one week what studying Pharmacy is all about  
TCD's School of Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Studies runs two programmes for Transition Year Students, in October and in February. Application deadline for these are in September and December respectively. Formal applications should be sent to the transition year coordinator, Asst. Prof. Fabio Boylan ([fabio.boylan@tcd.ie](mailto:fabio.boylan@tcd.ie))

[http://pharmacy.tcd.ie/news/TY\\_Programme.php](http://pharmacy.tcd.ie/news/TY_Programme.php)

## **Science Gallery TY Programmes**

Apply early for TY Mentoring weeks in Oct/Nov and Feb/March  
Science Gallery (Dublin) runs a number of education programmes for TY students throughout the year including Mentoring Weeks, Cool Jobs, and an 8-week long course, Science, Technology and Society: Idea Translation Lab. Programs are supported by Intel and form part of two European Commission projects.

<https://dublin.sciencegallery.com/education/ty>

## **Language Programmes**

Alliance Francaise Transition Year French Course  
One hour per week, full year  
Working on your language development at this crucial stage, under the guidance of our native French- speaking teachers, you will enhance your understanding, as well as your written and oral expression over a year-long programme.

<http://www.alliancefrancaisecork.com/french-courses/courses-for-teenagers/transition-year>