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Dear Parents & Guardians,

We've had such a wonderful start to our Transition Year. Teachers have been very impressed by the wonderful group of students we have this year.

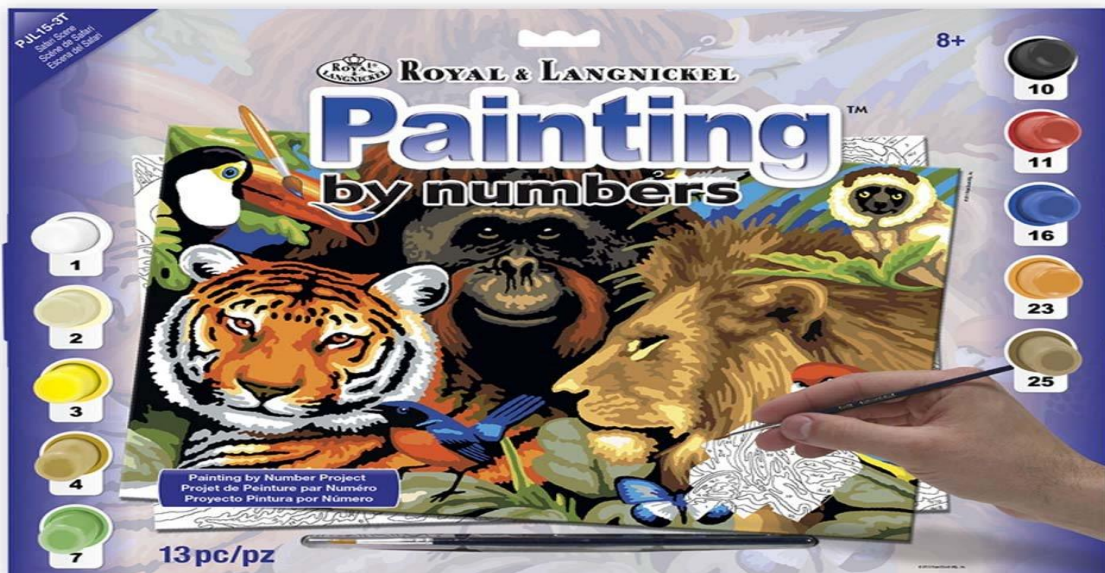
First off, we have introduced a **TY credit assessment** approach this year. Students are assessed/awarded credits for all of their subjects, modules, attendance and extra-curricular participation throughout the year.

A core part of our TY programme is the **work experience**. Students participated in their first work placement during Oct & Nov. Additional work experience opportunities with the RCSI & Houses of Oireachtas have also been taken up by students.

The **TY School Musical** is up and very much running. Lots of preparations are taking place. The **Gaisce** programme for our students kicked off in October also.

Here's a small snapshot of what our TYs have been up to!

Paint By Numbers: Students had a fun painting by numbers day. They had the opportunity to work on their art skills while getting to know their new class mates.





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Bray Head Walk: We embarked on our first trip to Bray. A day on the dirt and a refreshing walk around Bray Head was enjoyed by one and all!



Wall Climbing: Students will all get the opportunity to test their nerves wall climbing. Maybe we'll find a speed climber for the next Olympics? Big thanks to the PE Dept for arranging this for our students!





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Bodhrán Making: Michael Vignoles bodhrán making workshop came highly recommended and it did not disappoint. The students got to make and decorate their own bodhráns and were given a lesson on how to play them.



Croke Park: The Irish dept. treated the students to a real cultural and thrilling trip to Croke Park Museum and Sky Walk.





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IFI | Wax Museum & EPIC: Students got to go to the Irish Film Institute to see a renowned Spanish Film. Afterwards they had the choice of either visiting the Wax Museum or EPIC. A thoroughly enjoyable day. Thanks, MFL Dept!



TY Winter Fair: Students had been working hard since the start of the year on their business projects. This all come together for the Christmas Fair. Well done to all involved in the Business Dept.





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January & Beyond:

Here are upcoming activities for our TYs

12th Jan – Ice Skating (All students get to participate in a little skating in Blanchardstown)

14th Jan - Soar Workshop - Soar will deliver its early intervention-preventative & wellness workshop.

21st – 27th Dec - MatriX Workshop – Life and study skills learning with a common sense approach.

10th Feb – iWish Conference – Online conference to inspire, encourage and motivate young female students to pursue careers in STEM

11th Feb – Develop Me – Teambuilding workshop through boardgames

And Lots more To Come!