



# TRANSITION YEAR

- It is designed to act as a bridge between the dependent learning of the Junior Cert. to the more independent self directed learning required for the Leaving Cert..



## National Uptake

- 70%-75% of all Post Primary Schools
- 30,000 Students
- Compulsory in many schools



# AIMS

- Education for Maturity
- Promotion of Academic and Technical skills
- Education through experience of Adult and working life



# Challenges Facing Students

- Subject choices
- Study Skills
- C.A.O. Choices
- Post School Society
- Recession

# PROGRAMME

- Core Subjects: Irish, English, Maths
- ICT: ECDL, Web Design
- Career Guidance/Speakers/Visits
- Art/Woodwork/Graphiocs/HE/Engineering
- Science: Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Ag. Science
- Car Maintenance/ Driving Lessons
- Young Scientist Exhibition
- Mini Company
- French Culture
- Culture/Heritage
- Politics/ European Studies

- Religion/ Others
- PE/ Personal Fitness
- Public Speaking/ Theatre/ Stage
- Shadowing students at Sligo IT
- Work Experience
- Coaching Cert
- Swimming
- Self Defence
- Musical(Oliver in 2010/11)
- President's Award

# Benefits

- Self Esteem
- Maturity
- Work experience/Confidence
- Study Skills
- More focused on goals
- Results ( Holistic): equivalent intelligence
- ICT Skills
- Team Work
- Socially Aware
- More Creative

# TRANSITION YEAR

50 POINTS MORE

28% dropout from college

0% that we are aware of from TY

Very few repeats



# Assessment/Diagnostic

- Monthly Assessments
- Progress Monitored
- Oral
- Project/Portfolio/Deadlines
- Assessment of Work Experience
- Student Logs
- Exhibition of Work

- Cost: Kept to a min./ Fundraising
- DES: Excellent programme
- “ A rare gem in the Community and Comprehensive School sector”

Irish Times guide to Post Primary Schools in  
Ireland