# Dear Parents and Guardians

## May 2022

# End of Year Events

It is hard to believe that your children are in the final month of their First Year here at Sandymount Park ETSS. It has been such a privilege to watch them grow and develop over the past eight months. They have adapted and engaged with resilience, courage and kindness to their new school and learning opportunities but more than anything else, we are most proud of the friendships that they have built and the support and encouragement they give to each other daily.

May is a busy month. We hope to acknowledge their hard work and engagement through a variety of events and of course assessment week followed by a "Festival of Learning". The purpose of this email is to update you on our plans.



### Team Building Activity: Tuesday 17th May

Please note that the Teamworks Event on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May requires a payment of 17 euro per student through Easy Payments. It is a half day Year Group team building activity which

- Improves Trust
- Energises the Group
- Encourages Collaboration
- Increases Productivity and Creative Thinking
- Introduces Positive Thinking

### 3033k to Kyiv Cycle/ Walk: Friday 20th May

#### Assessment Week: 25<sup>th</sup> -27<sup>th</sup> May

We would also ask you to give your children some extra support over the coming weeks as they prepare for assessment week. Their subject teachers will be directing them as to what they should be studying and offering them study skills advice. If your child is particularly anxious, please ask them to talk to their teacher, tutor or Progress Leader Orlaith as soon as they can. We can provide students with a study template timetable and check in with them if you feel they need some extra encouragement. Stick the assessment week timetable on the fridge and/ or in their area of study at home so they are aware that you are there to support them also. It is a good time to speak to them about social media/ phone regulation and getting plenty of sleep and good nutrition is essential during this time.

- 1 hour in Duration
- 3 Exams a day
- 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> of May
- Location Susan's Room / Laura's Room / Caolan's Room
- Timetable

	Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Friday 27th
08:30	Tutorial	Tutorial	Tutorial
08:45	Study	Study	Study
09:45	English	Science	Irish
10:45	Break	Break	Break
11:00	Study	Study	Study
12:00	Option Block 1 Geog / Bus / Art (Mon P4 / Wed P4)	Option Block 2 Music / Geog / Ger (Tue P1 / Fri P3)	Option Block 3 Bus / Geog / Cla (Mon P2 / Thu P5)
13:00	Break	Break	Break
13:30	Study	History	Maths
14:30	French / Spanish		

### Festival of Learning: 30<sup>th</sup> May – 1<sup>st</sup> June

Our final week consists of the students' "Festival of Learning" and Paula will be sending more details of that soon. We hope to see you there at some stage during the afternoon of Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June.

In the meantime, we may see you for our Cycle/ Walk 3033k to Kyiv on Friday  $20^{th}$  May.

Kind Regards

Orlaith

First Year Progress Leader Sandymount Park ETSS