



Wilson's Hospital School

Weekly Newsletter: Friday 1st May 2026

Notices / Important Information

NOTICE for 6th Year Students:

The CAO will begin issuing Statement of Application emails from 05-05-2026. These are important emails – students need to read through them to check that all their personal details, including correct **Examination Number** are correct. You will also get a statement of what your CAO choices were as of February 1st – these can be changed (free of charge) from May 5th – July 1st.

A video guide to this process can be found here [Central Applications Office](#)

Sports Evening

Sports Evening next Thursday 7th of May. Begins at 2.45 with Blues v Colours Hockey and runs until 9.30. Students must have a change of clothes and ideally football boots.

6th Year Graduation

6th Year Graduation will take place on May 15th, as per the school calendar. Details of Graduation have been sent to parents and students. Please make sure to RSVP by Friday 8th May to Ms Malone at fmalone@whs.ie.

Upcoming events

May

- 5th: TY Cavan Adventure Centre
- 6th: Soccer – Junior Boys, home
- 6th: Junk Kouture finals
- 7th: Navan Choral Festival
- 7th: 1st Year Girls GAA Blitz, Multy GAA @ 2.15
- 7th: Rugby – U16 Boys vs Kings Hospital, home
- 7th: Sports Evening, 2.45 → 9.30
- 8th: 1st & 4th Year Mentoring Trip
- 9th: Rugby Match – Leinster vs The Lions
- 11th: Sports Day
- 12th: 3rd Year Art – Street Art tour of Dublin
- 12th: Gaelbhreach Flag Award Ceremony
- 14th: Music Generation
- 14th: Confirmation
- 15th: Emerald Park trip for 3rd, 4th & 5th Year students
- 15th: 6th Year Finale & Graduation
- 21st: Amber Flag Whist Drive @ 7pm
- 22nd: TY Finale

Important dates

May

- 7th: Sports Evening
- 8th: Deadline for School transport scheme
- 11th: Sports Day
- 14th: Confirmation
- 15th: 6th Year Finale & Graduation
- 21st: TY Assessments
- 25th – 29th: Exam Week

Guidance News

New items this week in **green**

- APPLICATIONS OPEN for TY Business & Law Summer School in UCC [College of Business and Law - TY Summer School \(8th - 10th June, 2026\)](#)
- APPLICATIONS OPEN for TCD STEM Summer Camps [Trinity Walton Club](#)
- APPLICATIONS OPEN for Allianz Apprenticeship Programme 2026 [Allianz Careers](#)
- APPLICATIONS OPEN for Apprentice Manufacturing Apprenticeship [Apprentice Manufacturing Technician, Limerick | Johnson & Johnson Careers](#)
- APPLICATIONS OPEN for UCD Summer school June 2-5 2026, suitable for 4th & 5th Year students. First come first served basis, information emails sent to students.

- Webinar on CAO Change of Mind, 05-05-2026 [Synergy Careers | Career Guidance Consultants](#)
- Monaghan Institute Open Evening, 07-05-2026
- Closing date for applications for School Transport 2026/2027 academic year, 08-05-2026 <https://buseireann.ie/schooltransport>
- APPLICATIONS OPEN for TUD Grangegorman TY ICT Camp, May 11th – 14th [TY ICT Summer Camp – School of Computer Science, TU Dublin, Grangegorman Tickets, Monday 11 May-Thursday 14 May • 10-16 | Eventbrite](#)
- Closing date for Civil Engineering Technician Apprenticeships, 11-05-2026 [Current Vacancies](#)
- UCC Online CAO Q&A, 13-05-2026 [? University College Cork May 2026 Live Change of Mind Q&A - Register Today](#)
- Closing date for DCU Summer Program for Autistic Students (in July), 31-05-2026 [DCU Summer Program for Autistic Students in July 2026](#)
- Veterinary Medicine in Poland – Student Experience Webinar, 02-06-2026 [Fireside Chat: Student Experience in Olsztyn - Veterinary 2025 - StudyMedicinePoland.com, Dublin, 2 June 2025 | AllEvents | Online Event](#)
- Assistive Technology Workshop in TUS Athlone, 17-06-2026, disability.midlands@tu.ie
- Sign-up for **FREE** Leaving Cert Revision Courses with ATU [Leaving Cert Revision sessions - Atlantic Technological University](#)

What happened this week

SciFest

Last Friday over 40 students from 4th and 5th Year exhibited 18 projects in SciFest. This was the school's first SciFest in a number of years and it was a wonderful event. Congratulations to all of the participants and award winners, their creativity and curiosity was truly inspiring. A special thanks to all of the award sponsors and to former teachers, Ms. Graham and Mr. Kiernan and Mr. Alan Dunne from Scifest for judging the students work on the day. Students demonstrated their knowledge of science, technology, engineering and maths through their creative and innovative projects. Some of the projects on display included work on different types of hurleys and formula one cars.

World Cup Dance Qualifications

Congratulations to the wonderful dancers in 3rd year, Megan and Emma, and in 5th year, Laura F, who recently took part in the qualifier for the World Dance Cup! We are delighted to share that they have successfully qualified for the World Dance Cup, which will take place this July here in Ireland. The girls are proud members of the Dionysus School of Dance in Mullingar. They qualified across four different categories: Lyrical Small Group, Commercial Small Group, Showstopper Small Group, and Showstopper Duet – an incredible achievement! We wish them the very best of luck in July and couldn't be prouder of the hard work and effort they have put in to reach this stage.

Dream Big Innovation Workshop

On Thursday, our Transition Year students took part in the DreamBig Expo 2026 in TUS Athlone, presenting solutions to real-world problems developed through their current module. The focus is simple: identify a local issue and design a practical solution using appropriate technology. Using 3D printers sponsored by 3D Additive Solutions (3DAS), students designed, modelled and manufactured working prototypes. Caoimhe, Faye, Leah and Poppy developed a tuck shop money organiser to improve efficiency when giving change and calculating totals. Their solution was CAD modelled and successfully 3D printed. James, Rian and Jack created a wireless fire alert system using microbit technology. Their design used a transmitter and receiver setup to notify facilities of a potential fire, with 3D printed housings forming a central hub. The event brought together 18 teams, 80 students and 11 teachers, alongside industry partners and county council representatives. It provided a valuable opportunity for students to present, receive feedback and engage with others working in similar areas. We also got a tour of the teacher training facility where current second year students were presenting their project work. Thank you to Offaly County Council, Westmeath County Council, Longford County Council, Laois County Council, ReSHAPE and ATIM cluster for supporting and facilitating the programme. Appreciation also to Mr Brady for his continued commitment to providing meaningful extracurricular opportunities.

Soccer

On Wednesday the Senior Boys Soccer team had their annual challenge match with King's Hospital School. Finn opened the scoring early but KH got their own back making 1-1 going into the break. A clinical second half from KH meant the game finished 3 - 1 to the visitors. Spirits were high all round with the fantastic weather and the day was rounded off with a penalty shootout. Thanks again to Kings Hospital School for the thoroughly enjoyable game!

