




CHRISTIAN BROTHERS SCHOOL

MOUNTGARRETT, NEW ROSS, CO. WEXFORD

Transition Year Weekly Memo

Week Beginning Monday 10th November 2025

Gaisce	All students who expressed an interest in signing up for Gaisce have now completed their online registration. It is important that students fully commit to completing the weekly challenges in each of the three areas: Physical Recreation, Personal Skill and Community Involvement. Parents and guardians of all students who have signed up will receive an email later this week with further information about the programme and what is expected over the coming months.
Work Experience Forms	<p>All TY students should now have secured their work experience placements. The first block of work experience will take place from Monday 17th to Friday 21st November 2025. TY mentors are currently meeting with students to help them prepare for their work experience and additional preparation will take place during Co-ordination classes.</p> <p>In Co-ordination class this week students will receive their <i>Employment Pack 2</i>. This pack contains a logbook where students must write a daily account of the duties they carried out and what they enjoyed during their placement. It also includes insurance forms which must be given to the employer on the first day of work. Additionally there is a small envelope marked "FAO: Aoife Codd" which contains the employer feedback form. Students must give this form to their employer on the first day and collect it again on the final day once it has been completed. The employer may use the envelope to return the form directly to the student. Both the logbook and the employer evaluation form must be returned to the post box outside Ms. Codd's office when students return to school after their work experience. The deadline for this is Friday the 28th of November.</p> <p>To support their preparation students have also completed two accredited courses, <i>Work Placement Readiness</i> and <i>Work Placement Employment</i>, ensuring they are well equipped for their upcoming placements.</p>
Module Rotation	Leaving cert subject taster modules and all other TY subjects will rotate on Monday the 10th of November.
TY Exams	Transition Year students will have house exams in their core subjects: English, Irish, and Maths on Monday, 12th January (Change of date from the previous Monday Memo - Apologies)
Information Night	A Parent Information Evening for Transition Year parents/guardians will be held on Wednesday 10th December at 6:00 p.m. It will provide key information about progressing to 5th Year and choosing Leaving Certificate subjects. By this stage, students will have sampled all subjects, helping them make informed decisions for next year.

Samaritan Workshop	<p>On Monday the November 24th, students will attend a performance called <i>Acting for the Future</i> run by Smashing Times International Centre for the Arts and Equality. This is run in association with the Samaritans. This event takes place in school. To take part, consent forms must be completed and returned by Friday, November 14th. Ms Whelan has already distributed these forms to students. Please ensure your child returns the signed forms to Ms. Whelan by the deadline.</p> <p>An information leaflet on Positive Mental Health is attached to this email. The leaflet outlines what positive mental health and wellbeing mean, why they are important, and provides practical advice on maintaining good mental health, including details of support services available in Ireland.</p>
Monday	<p>Normal Timetable Module Rotations</p>
Tuesday	<p>Disability Awareness Talk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group 1 9:30-11:00 (This group will get little break at 11:00-11:15) • Group 2 11:15-12:45 • Groups can be found on the TY Notice Board
Wednesday	<p>Breast Check Awareness Talk Rescheduled from earlier in the year 11:00am – All TY Students</p>
Thursday	<p>Normal Timetable</p>
Friday	<p>Normal Timetable</p>
Thought of the Week	 <p>Say hello to Monday and to a brand new week filled with endless possibilities.</p>