

## Loreto Secondary School Clonmel

Coleville Road, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary

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## Dear Parents/Guardians,

The TY team really hope that your daughter is making the most of TY and the opportunities on offer this year. To date the TY's have been on many activities, both off-site and on-site. Even in these COVID times Loreto's TY programme is extremely busy! Some of the off-site activities that students have experienced so far are:

- Hike and picnic along the Blueway,
- Surfing in Tramore,
- Tayto Park visit,
- Solving a murder mystery around Clonmel!

While our in-school workshops have included:

- Matrix Mind Training,
- First Aid,
- Personal Safety (introduction),
- Driver's Education,
- Forensic Science,
- Coding,
- School of Life,
- Breast Cancer Awareness,
- Introduction to Acting,
- Barista Training,
- Law Education.

This week alone students have experienced Navigating on Segways; and today students are rotating to a new module so will participate in one module from Film Studies, Dance or Life Skills; while on Friday students will participate in a workshop on Drug and Alcohol awareness.

Included in the TY curriculum this year our students are also getting the opportunity to sample four new Leaving Certificate subjects: Agricultural Science, Politics & Society, PE and Computer Science.

Some of the additional activities planned before Christmas include:

- A trail walk in Cashel,
- Advanced personal safety training,
- A Christmas trip to Cork for ice-skating and shopping (15<sup>th</sup> December 2021).

We also value the place of academics in Loreto for TYs. Students are sitting end of term assessments in their core subject areas. House exams take place from the 16<sup>th</sup> December 2021 to 21<sup>st</sup> December 2021. We believe this helps keep students engaged in academic work, while class tests and term tests help to keep Junior Cycle academic skills honed and also helps students to prepare and keep on track for 5<sup>th</sup> Year.

For all our students, TYs included, Christmas holidays commence at 12 noon on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> of December 2021.

The fee for TY (as outlined last February) is €525 which includes €75 for school expenses. We divided the payments up as follows:

• First instalment : €200 upon acceptance of the TY place last March 2021

• Second instalment: €175 due date last May 2021

• **Third Instalment:** €150 due date *postponed* because of the uncertainty around any over-night trip.

We will review the situation next term and advise you about dates, finances etc.

should a trip be possible.

If you have any outstanding TY fees at this stage, these can be settled with Suzanne, our financial secretary on 052-6121402, Extension 2. She will help you with any payment you wish to make.

In the meantime the TY email <u>ty@loretoclonmel.ie</u> or phone number 086-1896279 are available for you to use if you need to contact any of the TY team.

Yours faithfully

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