



Holy Family Community School

TY Information 2023/2024
Part 2

LC Subject Sampling



- Design and Communication Graphic
 - Engineering
 - Art
- Enterprise (Business/ Accounting)
 - Music
 - History
 - Politics
- Geography
 - Biology
 - Chemistry
 - Physics
- Home Economics

Core subject Layer for TY

All students will take :

- Mathematics
- English
- Gaeilge
- Modern Foreign Language
- Religion
- PE
- SPHE



Transition Year Assessment

Credits for:

- All Modules = 10 credits each except for Modern Foreign Language, Future Leaders and PE which are 20 credits per term .
- Modules: class projects/assessment
- Christmas and Summer Reports (throughout the year rolling report model)
- Work experience diary & Guidance =50 credits
- Portfolio of Achievement (This is a reflective journal that students complete throughout the year) = 50 credits

TY Grade System

In total there are **500 credits** to be awarded for the completion of HFCS' TY Programme. TY Grade System is as follows;

<u>Credits</u>	<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Grade Awarded</u>
375-500	75-100%	Distinction
250-374	50-74%	Merit
150-249	30-49%	Pass
0-149	<30%	Fail

Portfolio of Achievement (e-Portfolio via Teams)

- Portfolio pieces are selected from class work (projects, presentations, artwork, essays etc.)
- Tour/trip evaluations
- Guest speaker evaluations
- Event evaluations (e.g. Future Leaders, Coffee morning, Dev Ed STG Day)
- Work Experience Diary (for their different workplaces)
- Photographic Diary
- Portfolio Tasks (First task due on 22nd of September)
- Unique Activities (e.g. Gaisce, Barista, Future Leaders, Forensics, SFX Makeup, talks)
- e-Portfolio is corrected by Tutor and Year Head



Work Experience – Compulsory

Two Blocks of Work experience:

Block 1: 20th of November – 1st of December 2023.

Block 2: 29th of January- 9th of February 2024.

- **Students** are responsible for finding their own placements.
- Book placements early as there is a demand for places with the increasing number of TY students.
- **A variety of placements is recommended.**
- Students have been given a hardcopy of work experience documentation including a copy of their insurance. This has also been emailed to their office 365 account and they can access them in their e-portfolio.
- ***Work Experience throughout the year (outside of these 2 blocks) must be approved by Year Head*** (Ms. L. O'Brien)
- Students who require Garda Vetting need to speak with Deputy Principal D. Maher ASAP, **as it can take up to 3-4 weeks for clearance.**



TY Fund

- TY Fee is €350 and is now overdue. If there is an issue with payment, please contact Ms. L. O'Brien (l.obrien@hfcs.ie)
- TY Fee covers the cost of the following;
 - Costs of certification
 - TY Graduation
 - Costs of external experts/programme costs
 - Fieldtrips
 - Guest speakers
 - Workshops
- Spontaneous & Ad-hoc trips/opportunities which companies/venues offer will incur extra small costs such as bus fees & admission fees throughout the year. To reduce transportation cost the Luas or other forms of public transportation may be used. Therefore, a leap card is required.
- **HFCS commits to being flexible and as forewarned & transparent as possible regarding costs. We will strive to achieve a balance between a richly rewarding programme & value for money.**



Microsoft Office 365

I have explained to all TY students that I communicate all correspondence regarding the TY programme through their Microsoft Office 365 email accounts. Due to the nature of the programme, there are different things on each week regarding TY events, workshops, module rotations, timetable changes, work experience opportunities etc. Therefore, It is **crucial** that your child has access to their Microsoft Office 365 accounts, and they **check it regularly** so they can keep up-to-date with the TY programme.



Digital Permission Slips

- Permission slips for trips are digital and are done through Microsoft Forms. Before a trip I send a link to your child's Microsoft office 365 email account to give you access to the permission slip. It is imperative that you read each section of the permission slip carefully, so I get the correct information. **Even if your child cannot attend you must still complete the relevant section of the permission slip to indicate they will not be attending.**
- Due to rapid inflation costs it is imperative that I get EXACT numbers for each trip, so vital funds do not go to waste. Most companies take payment **prior to the event**, so if you indicate that your child is going on a trip and does not attend, their place has more than likely been paid for. If you complete the permission slip and for some unforeseen circumstances your child can no longer attend, **please contact me asap** at l.obrien@hfcs.ie



Dates for Diary (Confirmed events*)

September

Lilliput- 8th of September

Bridge to College Talk- 12th of September - (1 hour) 12pm

Tenderfoot auditions (inhouse)- 25th of September

Zipit- 28th of September

October

Bridge to College Group 1(8 students)-3rd-6th of October)

Skincare workshop (inhouse) -9th of October

SFX (special effects) (inhouse)-10th of October

STEM passport (female students only) Microsoft Dream Space- 16th of October

****Male students will be doing something on this day**** -16th of October

Aviation talk (inhouse)-17th of October

Oireachtas trip – 23rd of October

School of Life workshop (inhouse)- 26th of October

November:

TY Wellbeing Retreat (Killinarden Community Centre)- 7th of November

Bridge to college Group 2 (8 students) 7th-10th of November

Work Experience Block 1 (20th-1st of December)

December:

Forensics workshop (inhouse)- 7th of December

STEM passport (female students only) Microsoft Dream Space- 11th of December

****Male students will be doing something on this day**** - 11th of December

