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Leath and Sixth Education
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FIFTH Year NEWSLETTER

February 2026 |

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I am writing to you to provide an update on the progress of our Fifth Year students since Christmas.

Thank you for your continued support in relation to school policies and procedures, which can be found on the school website: [Coláiste na Mí School Policies](#). Thank you to all parents and guardians who attended the Parent Teacher Meeting on January 22nd.

5th year student will have had a one-one conversation with a member of the 5th year team using Athena. The purpose of this conversation is to check in with each student to see how they have settled into 5th year and adjusted to the demands of the Senior Cycle, monitor their academic progress to date, and set clear targets and goals for the future. Athena will also allow both students and their teachers to address areas requiring additional attention in a structured and supportive way. We encourage parents to discuss these targets at home and to continue to regularly engage with the platform.

After school study continues, costing €10 per week every Monday- Thursday. Free Maths Support Centre will also continue to take place every Tuesday after school.

Reminders

- All absences from school must be explained and recorded on [Compass](#). [Compass Parent Guide](#).
- Fundraiser for the school musical will take place on Wednesday 25th February as a non uniform day.
- SPHE RSE Programme starts 23rd February and runs in class time for 6 weeks up to 17th April 2026.

Students recently attended a Garda Road Safety Talk, delivering a strong road safety message and important guidance on the roads. There is excitement on the upcoming ski tour to America at end of February as well as the Northern Italy tour in March, offering students wonderful experiences with great memories.

We will now be using Compass to communicate behaviour comments rather than communicating directly in the Dialann. This will give you a real time update on positive behaviours and areas of focus. Please see the homework assigned by subject Teachers for the week. Your support on this work being completed is much appreciated.

Yours sincerely,
Máistir Murtagh,
Fifth Year Year Head



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Subject	Work assigned	Expected Engagement 1 - 2 hours max
Irish HL	Revise literature	1.5 Hours
Irish OL	Work on presentation (SABO) Revise all oral topics and learn Sraith pictiúrí, also Eoinín na n-Éan (LOG)	1.5 Hours
English HL	Comparative study revision.	1 hour
English OL	Essay on "Small Things Like These"	1 hour
Maths HL	Complete exam paper questions from current topic	1.5 Hours
Maths OL	Questions on Algebra 2 and IXL.	1.5 Hours
Spanish	Revise both roleplays	1 hour
French	NA	
History	RSR- Evaluation of Source 1	1 hour
Geography	Revision of topics covered since Novemeber exams	1.5 Hours
Biology	Review AAC topic & criteria - Start brainstorming	1 hour
Chemistry	Revision and ACC Brief	2 hours
Physics	Review AAC topic & criteria - Start brainstorming	1.5 hours
Business	Operations and Finance/Managing Risk Revision pack	2 hours
Accounting	Sole Trader revision for test after the Break	2 hours
DCG	Begin Mock DCG Project - Worth 20% Summer Grade	2 hours
Construction	x2 Exam Qs - Site Safety, Universal Design (DG)	2 Hours
Technology	Complete A3 project sheet	2 Hours
Art	Complete Visual Studies notes on The Impressionism Period artists Claude Monet and Auguste Renior, with sketches of 3 chosen paintings by each artist, with annotations using LC Art HL key terms, in hardback. All ppt resources are on TEAMS. Revise for class test on Modernity Eduard Manet, and Impressionism Era.	2 hours
Politics	Democracy Essay and Study for test scheduled 23/02	2 hours
Drama	Portfolio.	1.5 hours
Home Economics	Journal & Exam Q's	1.5 hours
Music	Revise Berlioz Movement 4	1 hour
LC P.E.	Juggling Journal (written and video)	1.5 hours