

Transition Year

Running from 2024



In Raheen College Transition Year is a compulsory year. This year plays a vital role in the educational success of our students.

They follow a stimulating and challenging programme of educational activities and project work for the year. Our emphasis during the year is on holistic growth – the growth of the whole person. We also focus on encouraging students to take greater responsibility for their own learning.

Students are given the opportunity to sample new subjects, and work experience and assignments enable them develop a whole range of new practical and personal skills. The value of Transition Year can be seen in the increased maturity, competence and self-confidence of the students.

A separate brochure is available with details of the Transition Year Programme

TY has many advantages to students who participate in the programme;

- ⇒ **TY students do better by an average of 26 points than those who do not follow the programme in Senior cycle**
- ⇒ **Repeat students only gain by an average of 5 points above those who do TY**
- ⇒ **TY students are more likely to be educationally adventurous. They are more likely to retain subjects at Higher Level, to move from Ordinary to Higher level and from Foundation to Ordinary level. They are more likely to take up subjects which they had not taken before (NCCA Final Report)**
- ⇒ **“Students who do Transition Year, which encourages students to organise themselves for projects, seem to cope better with college” Irish Times–Time to get real about dropouts.**



Extra Curricular and activities



In Raheen College we encourage all students to take part in a wide range of extra-curricular activities. These play an important part in promoting personal development, co-operation and team spirit. The range of activities provided can change from year to year but include such as;

- ♦ Educational Trips , School Tours , Christmas Concert
- ♦ Games/competitions/ after school:

Basketball

Soccer

Gaelic Games

Athletics

Jewellery club

Poetry Recitation

Debating

Public Speaking

Charity Work

Student Council

National Youth Council

Chess Club

Photography club

Students have access to an all weather pitch for PE classes and can use this during breaks and lunch. They may also have access to Hillview for tennis and badminton and Ferryhouse for swimming, the gym and full size basketball court for a number of PE classes during the year.

We also have two table tennis tables for use during bad weather and the use of a board games room.