

November 2021

WHAT HAS BEEN HAPPENING IN TY?

Monthly Newsletter

A week at the Lir Academy

The students were very fortunate to be invited to the prestigious Lir Academy for a week-long workshop. The Lir is the National Academy for Dramatic Art at Trinity College Dublin.

It was a busy week with activities including exploring Shakespeare, working on posture, empowerment, confidence and movement, acting and the technical aspects of theatre.

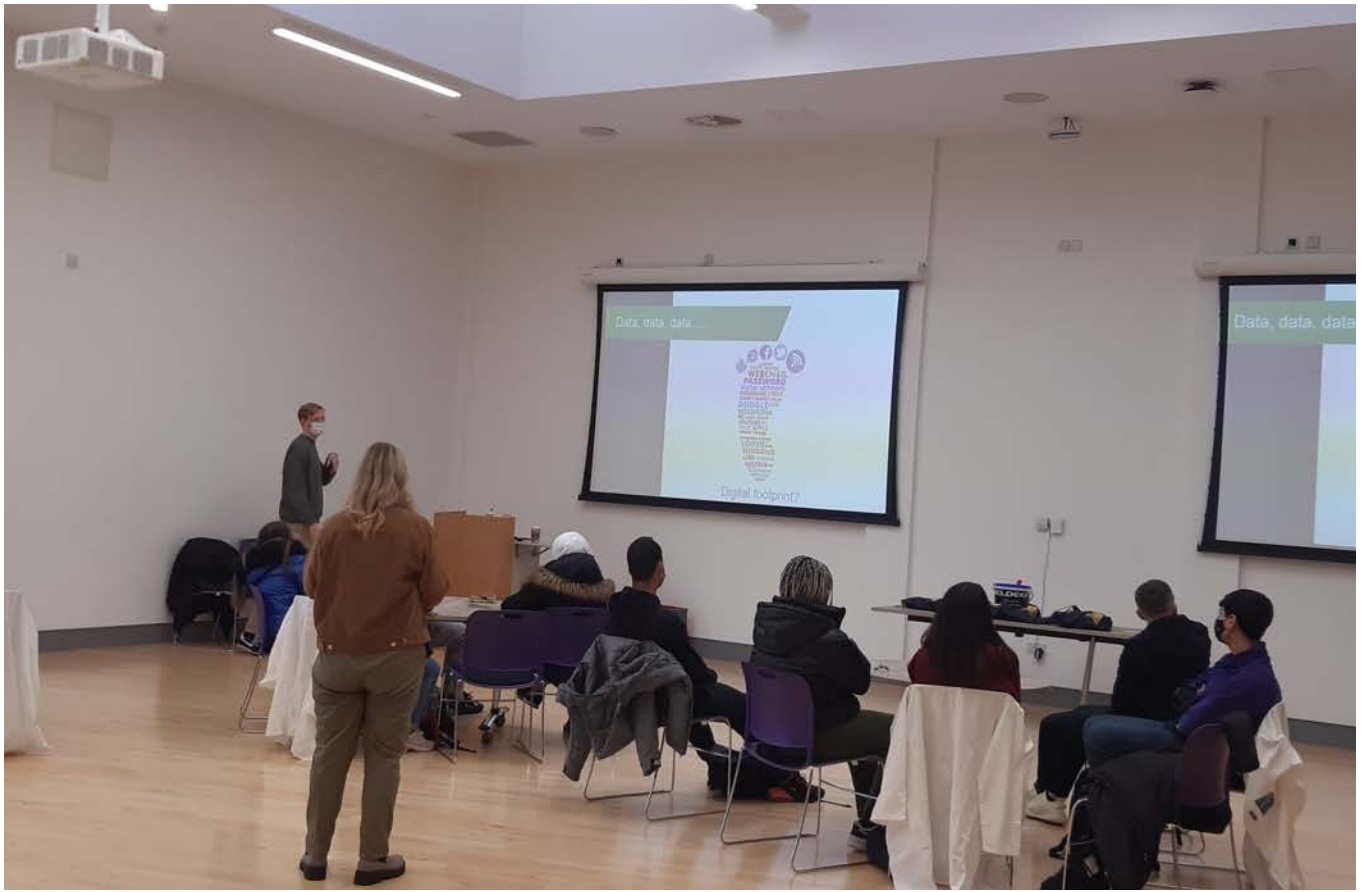




Exploring the world of Artificial Intelligence at Dublin City University

We visited DCU for a wonderful workshop on artificial intelligence as part of the university's access programme and promotion of STEM. The group learned about the many ways artificial intelligence is used in daily life before creating their own design project focusing on road safety. After this fantastic workshop we were treated to a wonderful campus tour. We visited the many faculties and schools available at DCU and had an opportunity to view the high class facilities on offer to students of the university.







Work experience day with PWC

The students recently had a wonderful day working with the fantastic team at PWC. It was an action packed day which offered the students a chance to explore the world of work through a range of activities focused on helping them realise their area of interest along with their hopes and dreams for the future.



Lights, camera, action!!!

The class have been participating in a wonderful film making module in collaboration with DCU. The students have been very fortunate to have been given equipment to use such as cameras and tripods to help them with their project. We look forward to seeing the finished movies.



Stand Up Week

As part of Stand Up Week the class created a fabulous timeline of the development of LGBTQI rights in Ireland which is now displayed in our reception area. Some of the students also took part in a photoshoot which launched the annual event. Minister Norma Foley and Presenter Brendan Courtney popped by for this very special occasion.





Other Activities

- In English class the students have been developing their debating skills while having great fun discussing topics such as 'uniforms should be banned in school' and 'homework is a waste of time'. Ms Canney has reported that there have been some excellent views and arguments shared on these topics.
- In Digital Skills class the group have been working hard creating e-portfolios as part of their P-tech assessments. The students have also had a chance to meet their mentors and to chat to Irish Water, Virgin Media and NCI about their career goals.
- In Woodwork and Art the students have been busy making decorations for Christmas which they will sell to raise money for Research into Motor Neurone Disease.

