



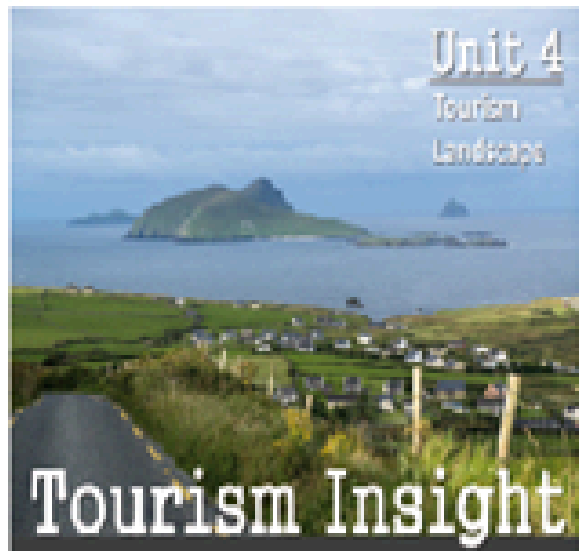
# INSIDE TRACK-TOURISM EDUCATION

## News from Ireland

### Dia duit from Ireland!

**GTTP Ireland:** GTTP Ireland is embedded in the Tourism Insight programme, which continues to actively engage with Transition Year students in high schools across Ireland, through online programmes to inform, inspire and ignite interest in the sector.

The Tourism & Hospitality sector is one of Ireland's most significant industries represented by over 20,000 businesses. Collaboration between industry and education is vital to ensure that up to date training skills are being offered.



# GTTP

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## GTTP STUDENTS:

Students from Coláiste Muire Ennis school who won their GTTP national research competition, in 2023, were invited by Dr. Sean Ruane to present their findings to the Shannon College of Hotel Management. The entire class were presented with certificates for participating in the GTTP competition. Thanks to Sean students enjoyed an exceptional hospitality experience over lunch within the College's training restaurant.



"I am thankful that GTTP gave my classmate and I, the once in a lifetime opportunity to travel to Dubai and experience the Middle Eastern culture. The city was a whole new world and it was fascinating to learn and explore all the new cultures and different nationalities that were present at the conference. One of the many highlights was attaining multiple views on the world of tourism all across the globe"  
Rachel Coneely TY Student.

"I'm so grateful that GTTP offered me the opportunity to travel to Dubai to meet and collaborate with other GTTP students. It has really helped me to build an understanding and knowledge of the wider global society"

Clara Butler TY Student.

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## From a teacher of tourism in Ireland

### Coláiste Muire Transition Year Class Win All-Ireland GTTP Competition

Transition Year TY2 students and their teacher Ms. Gemma Hassett from Coláiste Muire Ennis Co Clare, emerged victorious in the prestigious research competition organised by GTTP (Global Travel and Tourism Partnership). GTTP supports Education Departments and local educational communities worldwide, providing a free online curriculum, teacher training and fostering partnerships for work experience and internships for students. GTTP also funds opportunities for young people to collaborate with students from different nationalities, including travel and cultural exchange experiences, through competitions and awards.

Students from Coláiste Muire, and their winning project titled "Building a Resilient Workforce for a Sustainable Future," involved stakeholders including Shannon College of Hotel Management NUIG, Armada Hotel, Old Ground Hotel, Woodstock Hotel, Cliffs of Moher, Shannon airport, BEO Wellness and Clare County Council.

Last year, Team Ireland had the opportunity to engage and connect with students and teachers in Dubai from over 20 countries, plus industry representatives from Marriott International, Amadeus, dnata, IHG Hotels and Resorts, and Dubai Tourism College. As part of their presentation, Clara Butler showcased her talent as a concertina player, with Rachel Coneely accompanying her on the tin whistle.



The Irish team receive their certificates from GTTP Board Chairman Michel Taride

This trip was undoubtedly a remarkable experience for the students, helping to inspire them to explore, travel, and engage with people from different nationalities around the world. Such experiences foster cultural understanding, communication skills, knowledge, and global awareness. Gemma Hassett, Ireland Teacher



## A Teacher Commemoration

GTTP Ireland and the GTTP Family wish to acknowledge our wonderful teacher Pamela Nolan, who sadly passed away on 24th March 2024, late of Limekiln Park, Manor Estate, Dublin,

Pamela supported Tourism Insight with Unit Translations into gaelic. She came from an hospitality background, prior to retraining to become a teacher, and was admired by all she met. Pamela was successful in supporting a student team to win the GTTP research competition in 2022, and travelled to London with the team.



We were privileged to have known Pamela, tenacious, fun-loving, and a positive impact on all the students she met.  
Rest in Peace.



## GTTP IRELAND DIRECTOR Natasha Kinsella



In my role as GTTP Director in Ireland, I work to engage schools in the GTTP curriculum, as part of the wider education offered by Tourism Insight. In the school year, 2023/24 we have had over 1200+ students participate in online Travel & Tourism education.

We are supported by Fáilte Ireland, who provide toolkits to promote careers in the sector and run communications campaigns, plus provide opportunities for employees in the sector to upskill, helping with workforce retention.



## Now lets hear from Anne

GTTP Ireland continues to thrive under the guidance of Natasha. Linking our programme to an established curriculum helps expose many more student to opportunities for trainig and education across the sector. Long may it continue!

