

Student Support in a Time of Pandemic.

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The Effects of Covid19 on Learners

Common Effects

- Emotional and physical challenges.
- Unequal opportunities for learning.
- Lack of financial support.
- Lack of clarity.



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“Covid19 Through Student’s Eyes”

“Being stuck, sick, isolated without anyone who cared about me and powerless to do something for my family.”

“My expectations were different before the pandemic. For example many students share a room, the internet service is bad and most of the students arrived to Ireland without a computer, we dont have the necessary resources.”

“I was laid off and had to look for another job to support myself as I dont qualify for benefits.”

“The fight against Covid is much longer than expected and this is making everything very massive”After year, I feel that the lockdown is affecting me. The endless waiting is becoming distressing...”

Student Life Challenges

1. "My mother being diagnosed with a serious illness, in the middle of a worldwide pandemic."

2. "Unfortunately with this Lockdown situation that we are experiencing, I will no longer be able to continue in Ireland. I'm going back to Brazil."

3. "Since the end of last year I have been facing problems with my mental health and this has hurt me mainly in the area of work and school. I was not able to attend classes or participate in group activities. I am better and trying to take care of myself."

4. "My father tested positive to Covid19, and yesterday he was admitted to intensive care. His status is critical, now I'm desperate trying to get a flight home."

Strategies to Support Students

1. Individual cases.

- ❖ Ask, how you can help?
- ❖ Use hopeful and optimistic language.
- ❖ Suggest the help of professional counselor.
- ❖ Assist with arrangements for time off if needed.
- ❖ Keep in touch - call, text or email regularly.
- ❖ Schedule welfare meetings to check on the student wellbeing.
- ❖ Follow up after some time.

2. General Support.

- ❖ Know your students.
- ❖ Survey the students.
- ❖ Create activities to engage students outside the class times.
- ❖ Share positive information/content.
- ❖ Share sources for support.
- ❖ Show that you care.

Active & healthy, physical & mental wellbeing

Achieving full potential in all areas of learning & development

Safe & protected from harm

Economic security & opportunity

Connected respected & contributing to their world

Example of Activities

Pancake Competition

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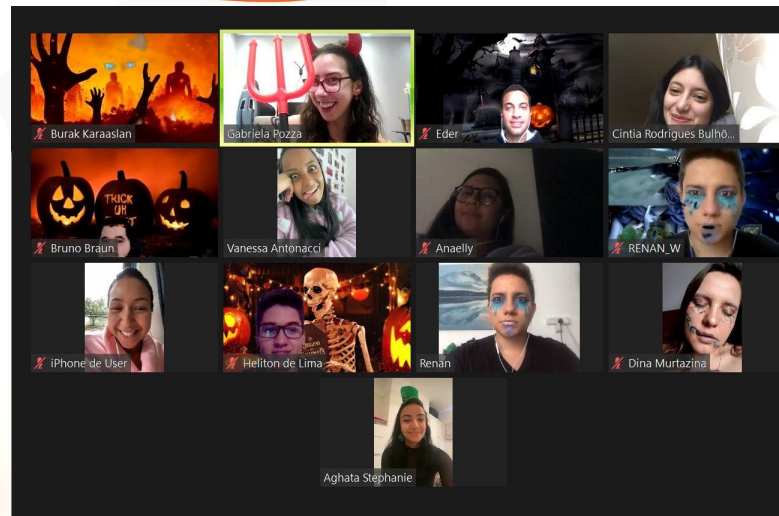


PANCAKE
TUESDAY



Christmas Jumper Contest

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Festive mood in class

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Discussion.

Would you like to share your experience with supporting students during the pandemic?



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What is to be supporting students during the crisis?

I aim to help every student to face their challenge with **SMILE!**

Smile - be positive, show positive attitude.

Motivate - remind the students about their objective.

Improve - help them find the best way to improve their situation. What's their options?

Lead - show the way when they feel lost.

Encourage - respect, support and encourage the students.

Thank you for your attention !

