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This year's 2021/22 Transition Year students carried out a lovely project, where they created 'Treat Boxes' that people could bring home and eat while watching the *Late Late Toy Show*. The treat boxes consisted of: one slice of biscuit cake, one candy cane, a bun, hot chocolate powder and mini marshmallows and a packet of popcorn. The boxes cost five euros, and the sale of the boxes was opened up to 1<sup>st</sup> Year students and the teaching staff.

The idea was thought of by our lovely Home Economics teachers; Ms Boland and Ms Hopkins. Together, they oversaw and organised the creation of the treat boxes and it's fair to say that we couldn't have asked for a better team of teachers. They took the time to get the ingredients for us students to bake, and bought the different pieces of packaging for the boxes.

The TY students also did a tremendous job on baking the buns and the biscuit cake, along with decorating the cakes and packing the hot chocolate kits, and putting the treat boxes together. In total, the treat box production took about a full two weeks. This time includes people ordering their boxes (the system was that the boxes would be ordered in advance and then they would be handed out to the people who ordered them), organising when the students will be baking, actually baking the cakes and putting the boxes together. However, the time that it took to just put the boxes together and bake the cakes was around a week and a half, which was quite fast and made things hassle-free. It didn't put us under too much pressure and we managed to get everything done on time.

The students really enjoyed carrying out this project and many TY students did at least one thing in contribution to the creation of the boxes and put lots of effort into this, so it was lovely to hear that they'd all sold out! The feedback about the boxes was very positive, with some of the teachers commenting on how lovely they were.

In conclusion, creating the treat boxes was a very fun experience. It required lots of teamwork and patience, and definitely showed the huge work ethic and initiative that both the TY students and teachers have.

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