



Hi my name is Lisa Rose McCormack, I'm 15 years old and I live in a small town called Arklow, in County Wicklow, Ireland. I am in Transition Year in Saint Mary's College. Transition Year (TY) is the fourth year in secondary school, but is focused on projects and personal development more than exams and study. In my school it is optional, if you don't want to do TY you can go from 3rd year straight to 5th. I chose to do TY as I am not ready to go straight back to thinking about exams and TY will help prepare me more. Transition Year offers subjects you wouldn't be able to participate in if you were in any other year, for example Drama, Comenius, Film Studies, Swimming as well as previous subjects like Art, Music and P.E (Physical Education)

Because we don't have as much pressure to study in Transition Year, we have more time to start new hobbies and start something we've always wanted to do. This year I have joined Hip Hop Dancing, Singing, Horse Riding, and Rugby and have stayed with my old Drama group.

I will tell you a little about my family, I live with my mum and my dad and my two brothers, Robert and Dean. I am the youngest in my family as my brothers are 18 and 22. Robert's girlfriend often stays at my house, her name is Lindsay and she is almost 21. I have two pets, a dog, called Molly, and a Rabbit called Loppi. I really like where I live, I'm near the beach and the shops too, but I wish some of my friends lived nearer. I did live in England when I was younger, in Bramley, Yorkshire. I moved here when I was 8 and I still go back a lot to visit my friends.

At the weekends I go to my Drama group on Saturday, then I spend time with my friends and on Sundays I watch my brother's rugby matches. My friends and I like to go shopping, to the cinema, to each other's houses or to the beach.



Me...



Myself and my brothers...