



24<sup>th</sup> February 2025

Dear Parent/Guardian,

As your son/daughter nears the end of their Junior Cycle journey it is now time to focus on their future choices in education.

3<sup>rd</sup> Year students have completed their CAT tests, these tests offer guidance around strengths weakness, likes and dislikes and form the starting point for discussion and consideration with you, your son/daughter and the school around the choices available as your son/daughter moves to senior cycle.

Students have 3 options available to them after Junior Cycle:

1. Participate in the Transition Year Programme (4<sup>th</sup> Year)
2. Move directly into the Leaving Certificate Programme (5<sup>th</sup> Year)
3. Move directly into the Leaving Certificate Applied Programme (5<sup>th</sup> Year LCA)

In the coming weeks Ms Boland, Ms Fogarty and Ms Quinlisk will speak with 3<sup>rd</sup> year students about their options for September 2025. All three programmes will be outlined to students and they will be encouraged to think about their options over the coming weeks.

A parent information session will take place on 19<sup>th</sup> March to explain your son/daughter's options further to you.

Third year students will need to have submitted their programme choice by 21<sup>st</sup> March. If moving directly to 5<sup>th</sup> year, subject choices will need to be completed 28<sup>th</sup> March 2025.

We encourage you to speak with your son/daughter about their choice for next year over the coming weeks so that they can make an informed decision for next year.

Yours sincerely,

**Principal**

**Deputy Principal**