



1st Year Subject Choice

Online Parent Information Session

19th March 2025



Yearhead & Guidance Counsellor

Ms Boland

March 2025



A great group of students!

- Classwork
- Extra-Curricular
- Attendance



This Year so far



1st Year Induction

Settled into classes

Subject sampling

Settled into chosen subjects

Time to think about next year

Communication



- VsWare – Attendance and Behaviour
- Email – guidancecounsellor@ourladystemplemore.ie
Office@ourladystemplemore.ie



- March 2025 -

- Preparation for end of year exams - Summer Exams 27th – 30th May
- Term 2 Report issued last week
- SPHE class – study plan and study skills
 - Please encourage and support at home!

All students will take -



1. English (Higher or Ordinary)

2. Irish (or CA) (Higher or Ordinary)

3. Maths (Higher or Ordinary)

4. Religion

5. History

6. Wellbeing - SPHE, CSPE & PE

Choose 5 for Junior Cycle



Art

Business

French

Geography

German

Home
Economics

Music

Science

Graphics

Wood
Technology

Engineering

Junior Cycle Programme



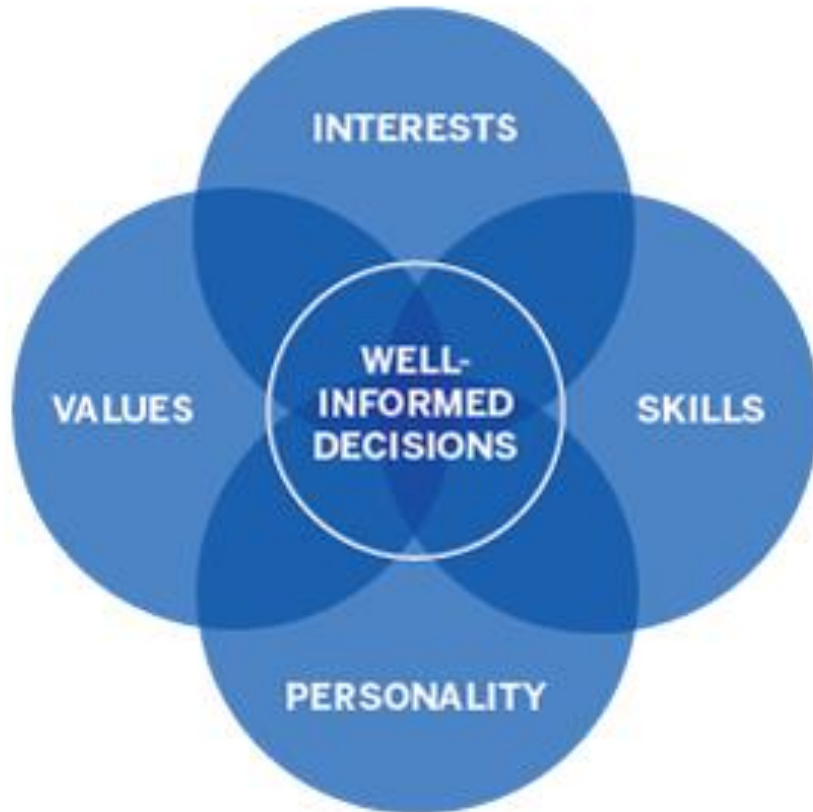
- All choice subjects will be assessed at a Common Level
- There are 2 CBAs* in each subject
- Assessment Task 10%*
- Written exam lasting no more than 2 hours

Subject Choice Should Not Depend On

- Rumours that suggest a subject is an 'easy option'
- What your friends are doing
- What teacher may or may not be teaching it



Things to Consider



- What you enjoy
- What you are good at
- What will help you for senior cycle
- What will keep your options open in the future

Subject choice as a foundation for the future.



- **Geography** – Arts, Earth & Environmental, Agriculture, Tourism
- **Music** - Music Technology, Performance, Media
- **Wood Technology** - Construction, Carpentry, Architecture, Environment
- **Graphics** - Architecture, Product Design, Art
- **Engineering** - Engineering, Mechanics, Design
- **Art** - Art, Fashion Design, Animation, Graphic
- **Home Economics** – Social care, Childcare, Food, Textiles, Psychology

Implications for Senior Cycle



Science at Senior Cycle

- Biology
- Physics
- Chemistry
- Agricultural Science



Implications for Senior Cycle



Business at Senior Cycle

- Business
- Economics
- Accounting



Implications for the Future...



- A Science subject is required for entry into lots of 3rd level courses including
 - Healthcare
 - Veterinary
 - Engineering
 - Sport
 - Agriculture
 - Science
 - Food

Implications for the future



A 3rd language is required for entry into many 3rd level courses in

- Maynooth University
- University College Cork
- University College Dublin
- NUI Galway
- Royal College of Surgeons
- Cadets
- NCAD



Implications for the future



Language as a skill for life

- Worldwide Business
- European Union
- Erasmus
- Work Experience
- Travel
- Communication



Stop & Think



- What will I enjoy?
- What can I do well in?
- What will keep my options open?
- Choose what is best for you





What Next?

Next Steps



- Log on the Vsware app
- Input choice
- Friday 28th of March



Parent Dashboard



Welcome to the Dashboard

This page is your one-stop-shop to view live notifications on your child's attendance, behaviour, reports and more. If you want to explore further, click into your child's profile.



Your Children



Your Contact Details

Eileen McInerney
Telephone: 083 086 4781



Notifications

Nothing to report!

Notifications related to your children will appear here when available.

Pick an area to explore



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Monitor your child's attendance at a glance, view records from an entire year or specific lesson.

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Assessment

View your child's full academic record, track progress over time and download term reports.

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Behaviour

Keep track of your child's behaviour, monitor progress & teacher feedback.

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Timetable

View your child's timetable, see realtime data for which lesson they are in at any given time.

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Personal Info

Overview of your child's key info. Ensure that this is up to date.

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Fees

Overview of school fees for the year, pay directly via card online.

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Student Options

Submit next year's subject preferences directly to the school.

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On the table(s) below choose subjects in order of the highest priority of preference (1, 2,

Closing date: 24/03/2021

Subject Set 1

Preference	Subject Choice
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Confirm





Thank You

Questions