

Welcome to O Connell Secondary School Open Evening 2026





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About Our School

- O'Connell Secondary School is a Catholic Voluntary Secondary School where every student is valued, supported and encouraged to reach their full potential.
- We are proud of our history and tradition and are committed to providing a welcoming, inclusive and caring school community.
- We promote a culture of respect, where every member of our school community is treated with dignity, kindness and understanding.
- We provide every student with opportunities to learn, grow, participate and develop their talents, preparing them to contribute confidently to society.
- Enrolment is growing



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Famous Past Pupils



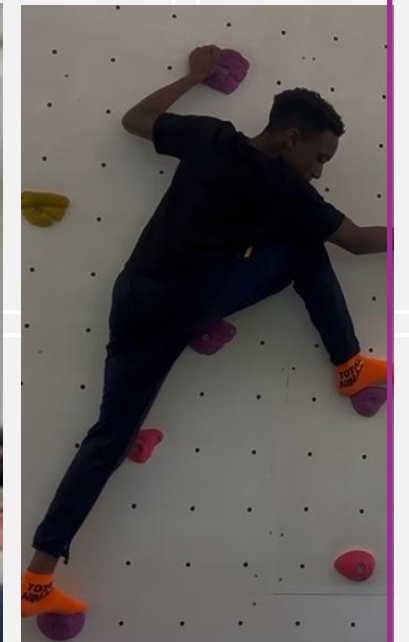
What we Offer

Opportunities:

- Academic: Curricular & Extra Curricular
- Student Council & Debating
- Games Clubs & Photography
- Music & Photography
- Cultural Events & Trips

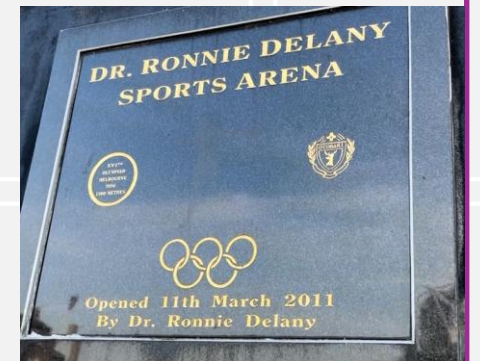
Sport:

- Gaelic Football
- Soccer
- Basketball
- Athletics
- Fitness and Wellbeing Programmes



Facilities

- Asto Turf Pitch
- Plans for New Gym
- Science Labs
- Library
- Cafeteria-Free food all day
- Woodwork Room
- VR Room
- PTECH Rooms
- Computer Rooms
- Art Room
- Music Generation Room
- Modern Classrooms



Moving to Secondary School



- Challenging – exciting and scary-we support students every step of the way
- Pastoral Care System – Care team
- Welcoming service
- Team building – fun day
- School trips



Second Level System

- 1st year to 3rd year – Junior Cycle
- Involves continuous assessment and final exams - JCPA
- Senior Cycle
 - Transition Year (TY) – optional, but recommended
 - Leaving Certificate
 - Leaving Cert Applied (LCA)





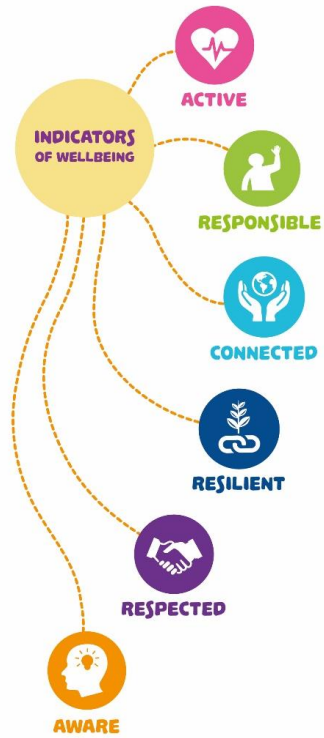
O Connell School Curriculum-Junior Cycle

Core Subjects	Optional
English	Business
Irish	Woodwork
Maths	French
History	German
Geography	Spanish
Religion	Visual Art
PE	Horticulture
P Tech Robotics	Science
Pastoral Care	

O Connell School Curriculum-Senior Cycle



Core Subjects	Optional
English	Accountancy
Irish	Business
Maths	Economics
History	Physics
Geography	Biology
Religion	Chemistry
PE	French/German/Spanish
P Tech Robotics	Art
Pastoral Care	P Tech
	Geography
	History



Wellbeing

- Umbrella term covering
 - PE – Physical Education
 - SPHE – Social, Personal and Health Education
 - CSPE – Civic, Social and Political Education
 - Guidance



Why Families Choose O Connell Secondary School

- Every student is known
- Strong academic support
- Free breakfast, lunch and snacks daily
- Dedicated Care Team and Year Heads
- Outstanding sports and extracurricular opportunities
- P-TECH and future-focused learning
- Modern facilities including VR, Woodwork and Science Labs
- Proven pathways to college, apprenticeships and employment



Exciting Developments Planned

- New gym
- Continued investment in technology
- Expansion of extracurricular opportunities
- Development of learning spaces
- Partnerships with the community.





Application Process

- Application is open for 6th class students only
- Application form - online or can be requested by email to secretary@oconnellschool.ie
- Admissions Policy
- Prospectus
- Scholarships being offered for students who complete the Application Form in the month of October
- Limited to 48 Places

Thank You

Join the O'Connell Community

1. Applications Now Open
2. www.oconnellschool.ie
3. Meet Our Team anytime
4. Apply Online

