



St. Augustine's College Open Evening

For Incoming First Year Students 2027/2028





Welcome Address Mr. John Keane Principal





St. Augustine's College



Introduction

We are an Augustinian School.

Open Since 1972.

Situated on 43 Acres

Our Ethos

Our school is based on three core values

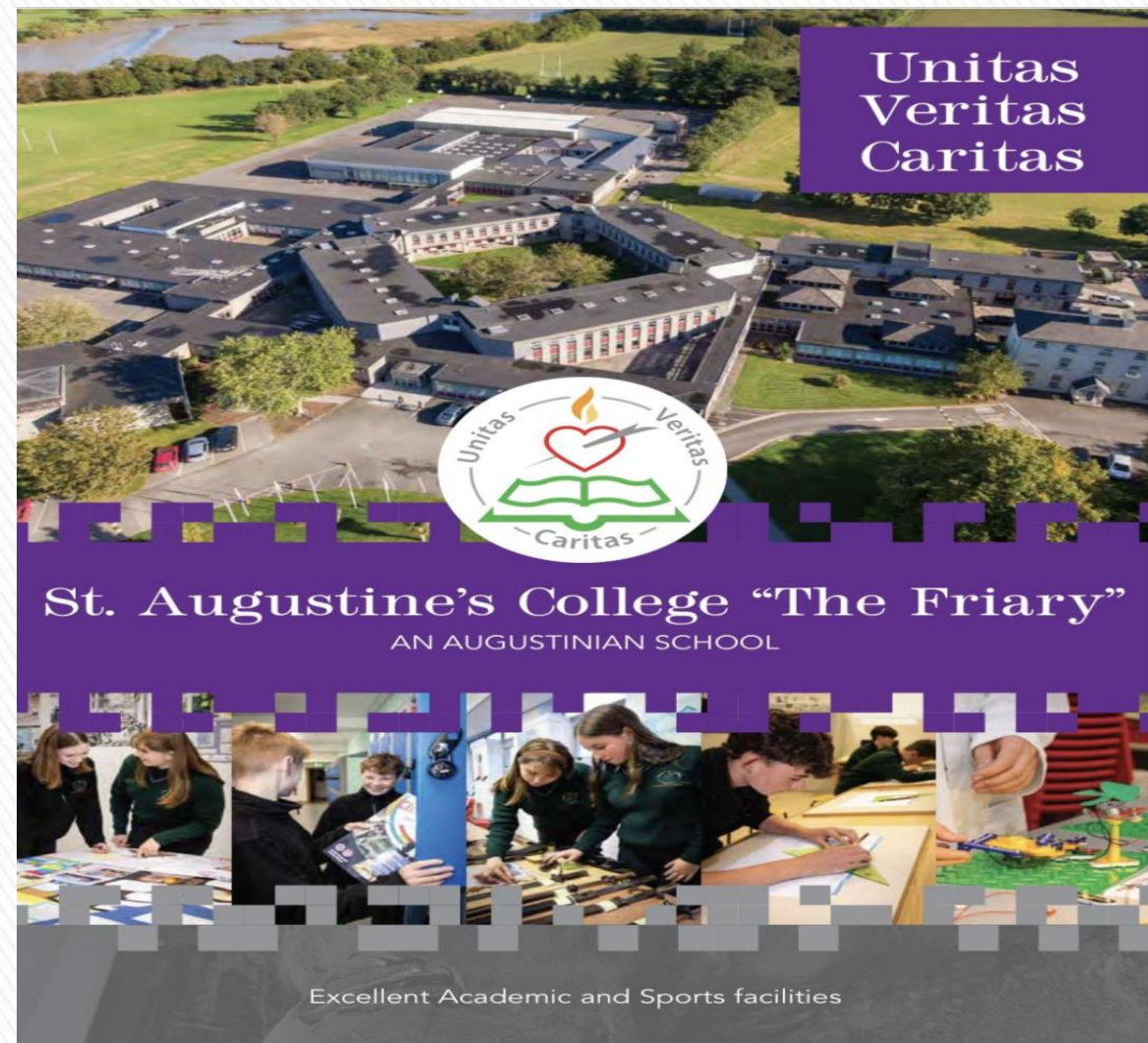
Unitas-Unity

Veritas-Truth

Caritas- Love

We

- Prepare and educate our students for life.
- Promote the Augustinian Values
- Apply a holistic approach to teaching and learning.
- We believe that a happy student is a confident student.





“The Friary”

An Augustinian School

Outstanding Academic Results

High Quality Classrooms

Excellent Sport Facilities

Warm, caring and friendly student centred school





School Facilities

- Classroom Areas
- Woodwork Room
- Computer Room
- Learning Support Dept
- Arts and Crafts Block
- Study Hall
- Stage and Hall
- Chapel
- Modern Wheelchair Lift
- Science Laboratories
- Drawing room
- Home Economics Cookery & Craft
- Guidance Office
- Music Block
- Canteen



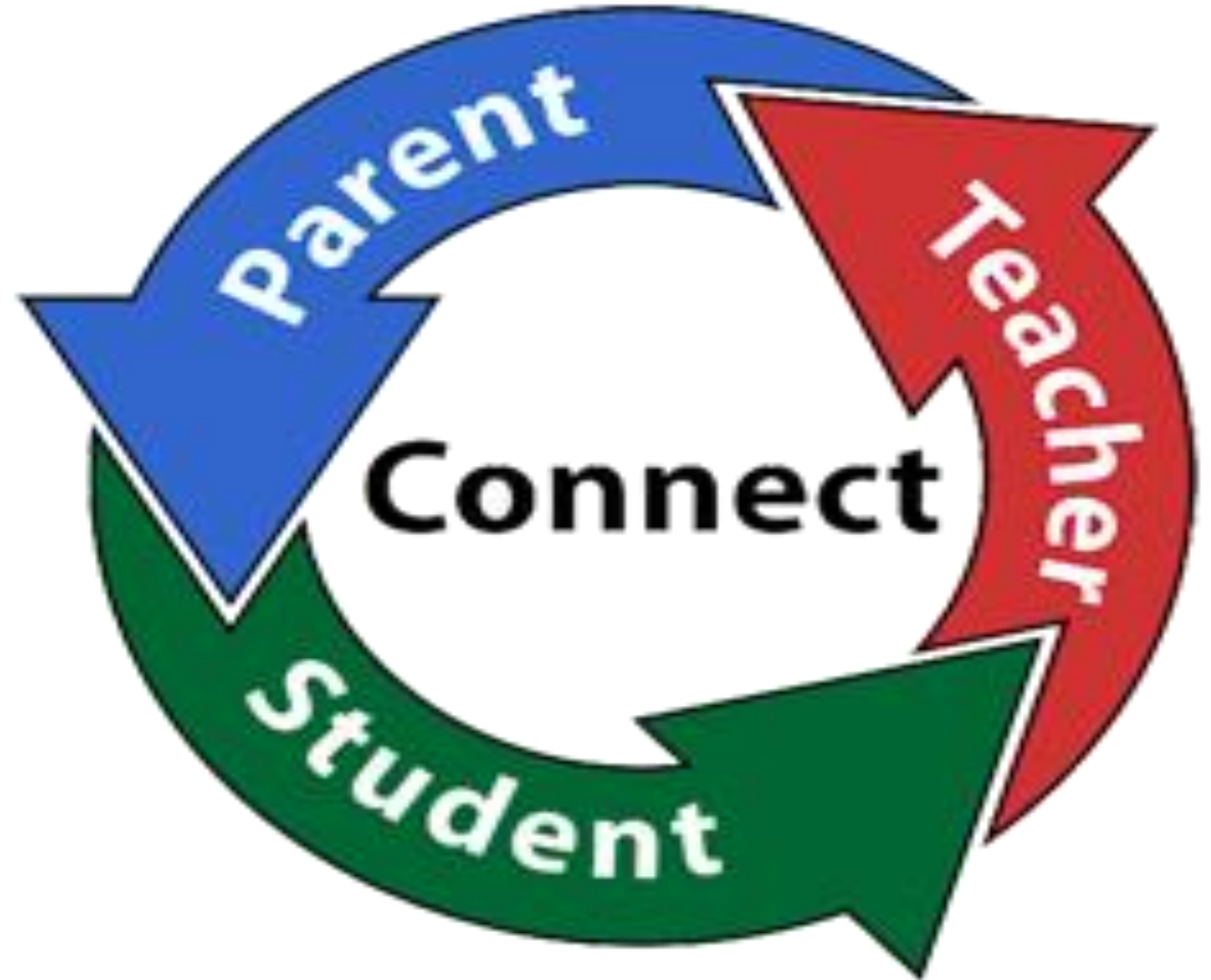
Sporting Facilities

- 5 GAA Pitches
- 1 All Weather Hockey Pitch
- All Weather facilities for Long, Triple and High Jump
- Hammer, Discus and Shot Putt Circles
- Indoor Gym – 120ft x 60ft
- Indoor Facilities for Pole Vault and High Jump
- 2 Squash Courts
- One 40 x 20 Handball Alley with glass back wall and viewing gallery
- One 60 x 30 Handball Alley
- Several Outdoor Basketball Courts

Links with home.

Parent/ Guardian Information Meetings & Talks

Subject Teachers
Year Head
Guidance Counsellors
Chaplain
Pastoral Care Team
Learning Support Team
Autism Class Team
Deputy Principal
Principal
Door is always open!



Active Parents Association



Ethos & Student Support



Ms. Nollaig Sheehan
Deputy Principal



School Ethos & Core Values

The core values of **Unitas- Unity, Veritas- Truth, Caritas -Love** are central to the philosophy of our Augustinian Education.

These values we believe form the foundation for our education of young minds.

We aspire to not just practice these values but to live them on a daily basis in our school community.

***‘Education is for people with first names and last names,
with virtues and faults, with needs and values’ - St. Augustine***



**Senior Management
Team**

**Guidance
Counsellors**

**Student
Support
Team**

Year Head

**5th Year PAL
Mentor**

**SEN Team &
HUB Team**

**Subject
Teachers**

Chaplain





How are classes divided?

BASE CLASS

- Divided Alphabetically
- Gender balance
- Students are in a **base class** for core subjects such as
- English, Irish, Maths, History, PE, SPHE, Religion.
- For all other subjects the class divides are based on the students subject choice preferences.

(Mixed-ability grouping in First Year leads to improved

progress in literacy and numeracy and can give

students more confidence as learners. Moving Up



Learning outside the classroom.

School Tours...

Spain, Germany, France, Brussels, Dublin,





Charity, Amber Flag, Wellbeing



Students are encouraged to take part in ...
Amber Flag- Mental Health Wellbeing

Christmas Day in the Friary- Lions Club

Trick or Treat for Temple Street

Nursing home visits
Daffodil Day for the Irish Cancer Association
Along with much more.....





Academic Tracking



1:1 Guidance.

Homework Club.

Learning Support.





Student Awards and Academic Recognition



welcome to the
Entrance Exhibition Awards





Leaving Cert 2026



10 of our students got over 600 points.

20% of our students got over 500 points

50% of our students got over 400 points





2 members of our student council
Kaja Jackiewicz
Oisin Whelan - Joint Chairperson



What does 1st year look like in our school?

Mr. Gary Morahan
Deputy Principal
1st and 2nd Years

Settling In

- 4 Day Summer Camp – after Aug bank holiday
- 2 half day induction days (Thurs and Fri)
(books, timetables, lockers, photos, orientation, etc...)
- Dr. Maureen Griffin (forensic psychologist) online safety workshop (week 3)
- Rayse the Game workshop (week 1)
- Peer Augustinian Leadership (PALs)



Structure of 1st Year

- 166 First Year Students
- 7 Base classes with an average of 24 students per class
- Base classes arranged on the basis of gender, national school, CAT4 (mixed ability)
- 1st Year Zones – Hockey Pitch and Sports Hall (when raining)



Structure of 1st Year



School starts at 9am each morning. Small break is from 11am to 11.15am, lunch is from 13.15 to 13.55. There is an early finish on Friday at 13.13

- 9 classes per day, 6 classes on Friday
- Students move around the building to their respective classrooms on the bell every 40 minutes

Student Supports

- ? Class teacher
- ? Student Support Team
- ? SET: Ms. Cashin 1st year
- ? SENCO: Mr. Knightly
- ? Guidance Counsellors: Ms. Tonry, Ms. McGrath
- ? Chaplaincy/Pastoral: Fr. Gerry Horan and Ms. Dunne
- ? Year Heads: Ms Hanrick and Br. Lennon
- ? Deputy Principal: Mr. Morahan, Ms. Moore and Ms. Sheehan
- ? Principal: Mr. Keane

Extra - curricular activities

St. Augustine's College takes great pride in the wide variety of extra curricular activities that we offer for our students

Engaging in extra curricular activities is a fantastic way for students to develop new friendships

Extra curricular activities also helps students with their physical, mental and emotional health



All Ireland Camoige Champions 2025

GET INVOLVED
MAKE FRIENDS
TRY SOMETHING
NEW!

1st Years: Clubs & Sports

SAME SCHOOL.
MORE TO
EXPLORE.

PLAY
LEARN
BELONG

CLUBS
BUILD A
BRIGHTER
YOU!

NEW
SKILLS
NEW
FRIENDS
NEW
EXPERIENCES

A
GREATER
YOU
STARTS
HERE

SPORT
CREATIVITY
COMMUNITY
YOU!



SMALL
STEPS
BIG
OPPORTUNITIES



FRIENDSHIP
WELLBEING
CONFIDENCE
OPPORTUNITY

Club / Sport	When?	Where?
Boys GAA	Varies	Pitches
Girls GAA S&C	Friday 1.30 - 2.30 Thursday Lunchtime	Pitches Gym
Soccer	TBC	Gym/Soccer Pitch
Badminton	Thursday 1.25 - 1.55	Gym
Girls Hockey	Monday 4.10 - 5.00	Hockey Pitch/Gym
Handball	Tuesday 4.00 - 5.00	Bro. Spring Alley (numbers limited)
Choir/Music Club	Tuesday 1.20 - 1.55	Room 10D
Hulaí Aibhistin Trad Group	Tuesday 1.25 - 1.55 (Starting 29th Sept)	1A
Boardgames Club	Mondays 1.15 - 1.55	11B
Chess Club	Thursdays 1.15 - 1.55	7A
Coding Club	Thursday 1.15 - 1.50	2D
Green Schools Committee	Wednesday 1.15 - 1.55	5A
The Book & Firm Club	Wednesday 1.15 - 1.55	10A

SAME SCHOOL. MORE TO EXPLORE.

PLAY
LEARN
BELONG



Curriculum

Ms. Moore

Deputy Principal





Incoming First Year Assessment

All First Years will complete Cognitive Ability Testing- (CAT4 Level E) on

January 23rd (Saturday- provisional date).

This is not an entrance exam

- The CAT4 results highlight how best we can help a student learn.
- The results will also help ensure students reach their full potential here in St Augustine's College.



CAT4 - Cognitive Abilities Test

9 sections that will fall under 4 areas.



Verbal Reasoning:

The ability to express ideas and reason through words.

Non-Verbal Reasoning:

Problem solving using pictures and diagrams.

Spatial Reasoning:

Thinking and drawing conclusions in 3D.

Quantitative Reasoning:

Using numerical skills to solve problems.





Friary Students Study

9 Subjects for Junior Cycle



Exam Core Subjects x4

- Irish *****
- English
- Maths
- History

Wellbeing Non-Exam Core Subjects

- SPHE & RSE
- Physical Education
- CSPE
- Religious Education



Optional Subjects x5

- Geography
- Science
- Art
- French
- German
- Spanish
- Home Economics
- Music
- Business Studies
- Woodwork
- Technical Graphics



Students Must Choose 5 Optional Subjects

Rank the choice subjects you would like to study for Junior Certificate Cycle
Choice Subjects

In addition to core subjects, students will study **5 Choice subjects**

Please rank all your subject choices below in order of your preference. Please rank all subjects.
(1=most preferred, 11=least preferred)





Step 1. Parents/Guardians
will be sent a link via email
From TYRO





Check
email



Step 2. Click on link sent via email and push notification
from TYRO

Individual subject choice ranking page
Click on 1st Year Subject Choice





STEP 3 RANK 1-11

Subject Options Form

How to Rank Subject Choice Subjects

Rank all your 1st Year subjects

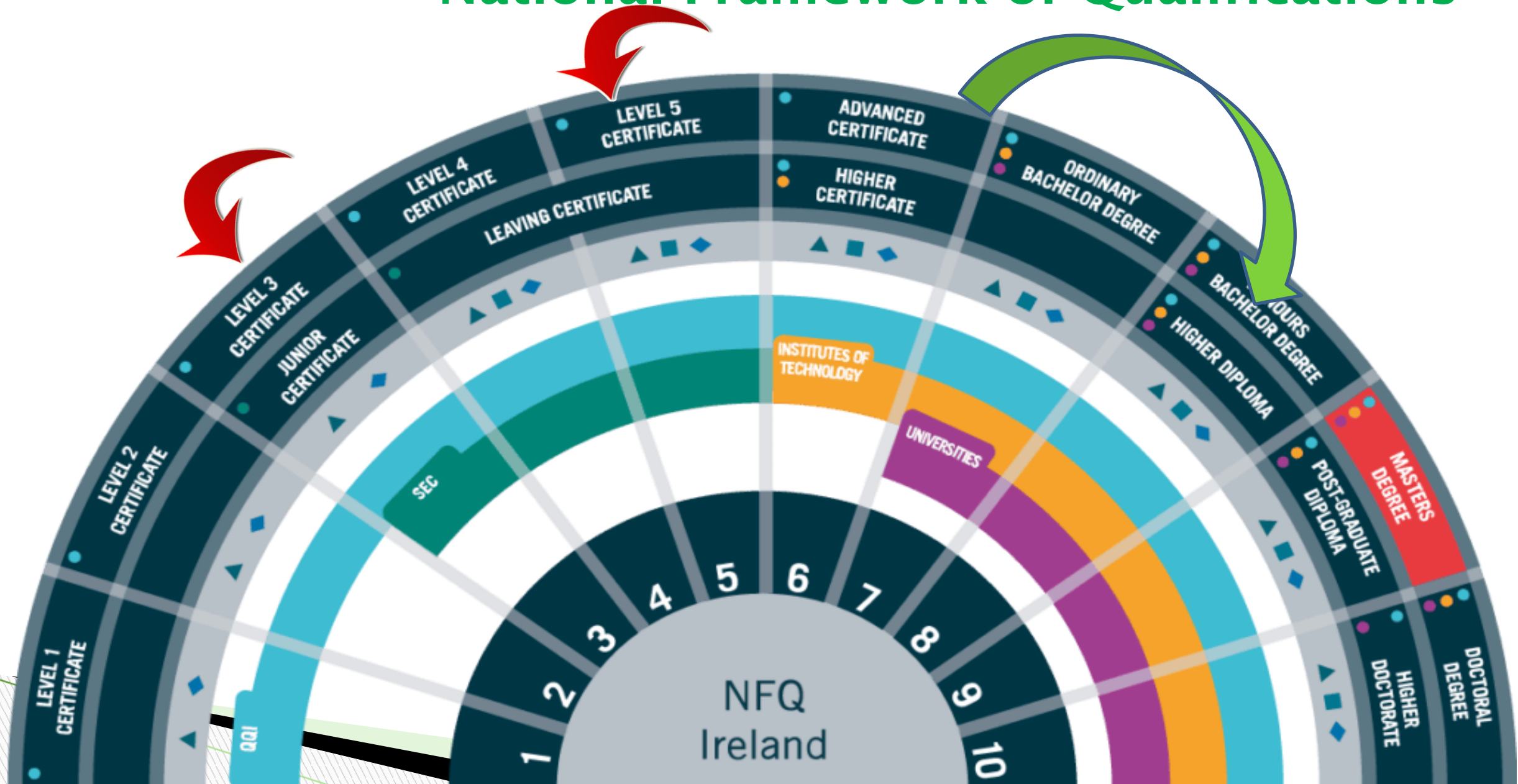
Preferred 1= Most wanted/needed

Rank Choice Subjects in order of Preference and No. 1,2,3,4,5 etc..

We endeavour to offer students their most preferred options. However please be aware that we have not been allocated our Dept. of Education Allocation for 2027/2028.

Subject	Preference No
French	1
German	4
Spanish	2
Science	6
Business	8
Geography	3
Wood Technology	9
Graphics	7
Home Economics	5
Music	10
Art	11

National Framework of Qualifications



Subjects we offer in Leaving Certificate

Business	Science	Humanities	Technical/Social
Business Studies	Biology	Art	Construction
Accounting	Chemistry	Music	DCG
Economics	Physics	French	Home Economics – Scientific & Social
LCVP.	Agricultural Science	German	
		Spanish	
	<i>Applied Maths*</i> (after school as an extra subject)	History Geography Politics and Society Physical Education (Exam)	



STUDENT OPTIONS AFTER SCHOOL



An tSeirbhís Oideachais Leanúnaigh agus Scileanna
Further Education and Training Authority



3rd Level Scholarships



Trinity
College
Dublin

The University of Dublin



General Advice

If a student is not really sure what he/she wants to do in the future:

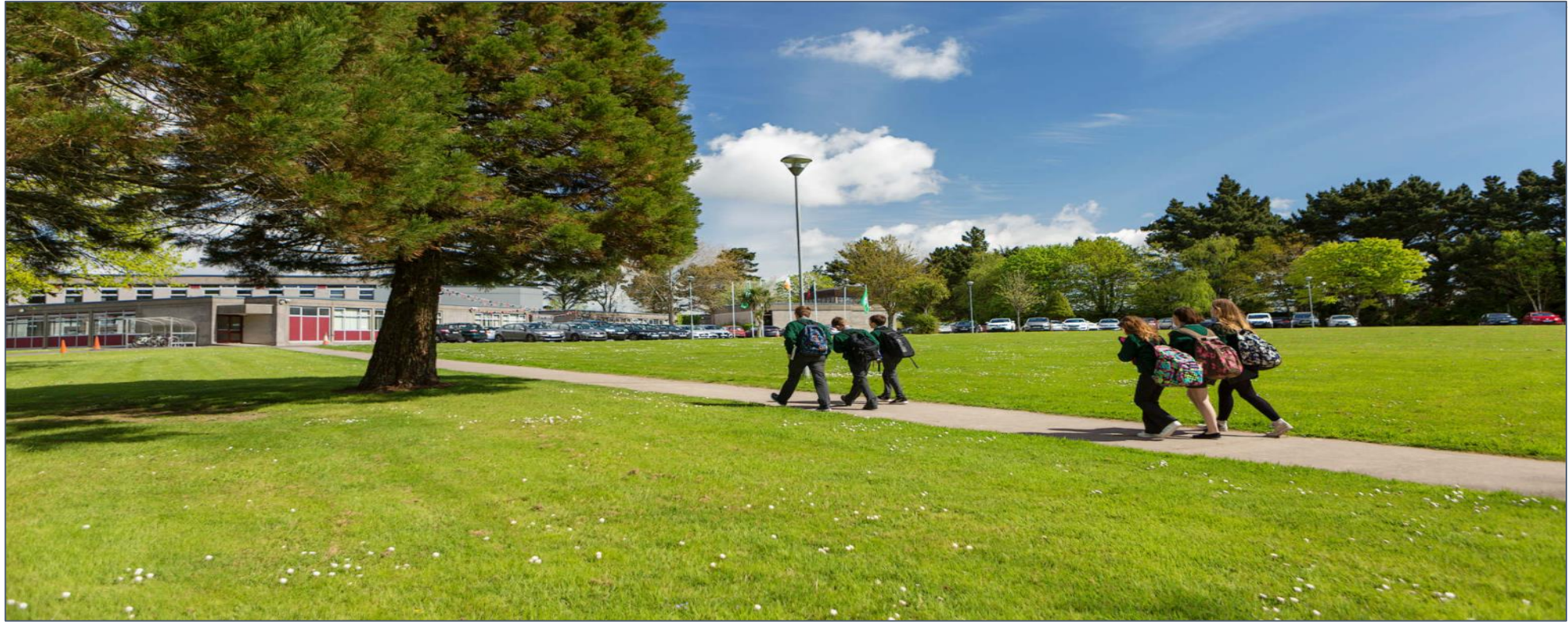
Pick a broad range of subjects in order to keep options open



- one *language*
- one *science*
- one *business*
- one *humanities / applied science*.

This combination would allow access into a broad range of courses/careers.

Mr.Keane Principal





HOW TO APPLY -Mr. Keane

Application Form.

A link to the Electronic Application Form will be available on the school website www.staugustines.ie from the

1st of October 2026. under enrolment.

Forms must be submitted by **Friday 6th November 2026**

Offers will be made from November 16th 2026.

Please ensure to check our Admissions/Enrolment Policy on the school website. www.staugustines.ie (click on enrolment).





To Re-cap

Students settle quickly into post-primary school.

Many have settled by the end of the first week.

One quarter will take a month to settle.

And 1 in 6 will take a little longer.

We like to keep open communication with parents/guardians.

Open dialogue is essential.

We would encourage you to please contact a member of the **Student Support Team** if the need arises.



Thank You

