



ST. FLANNAN'S COLLEGE
COLÁISTE FHLANNÁIN

First Year 2022/23

'SERVING THE DIOCESE OF KILLALOE SINCE 1846'

Mission Statement

St. Flannan's College is a school community consisting of students, parents and staff, who are committed to working together to nurture the academic and personal growth of all the students towards mature and responsible adulthood.





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- ❖ St Flannan's takes its inspiration from the tradition and values of its founding Trustees and Staff.
- ❖ Student-centred focus
- ❖ Academic excellence
- ❖ Sporting excellence
- ❖ Breadth of Co-curricular and Extra Curricular opportunities



Getting to know one another

- ❖ Primary school Induction Visits
- ❖ School visits
- ❖ Open Night
- ❖ CAT 4 Aptitude Tests – just completed
- ❖ Parent Teacher Meetings
- ❖ Subject Information Evenings – this evening

Student Care



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❖ Who may your son/daughter turn to ?

- ❖ Parent /Guardian
- ❖ Teacher
- ❖ Class Tutor
- ❖ Year Head
- ❖ TY Mentors/Buddies

- ❖ Guidance Counsellors
- ❖ Senior Management



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Your Child – A time of Change

- ❖ Transition – Takes time
- ❖ 6th class – 1st year
- ❖ Adolescence
- ❖ Home-School Partnership
- ❖ Learning more about themselves

Transition from Primary to Secondary

- ❖ Transfer from Primary to Secondary is hard for every member of the family.....but it is EXCITING and full of opportunities!
- ❖ Change in day-to-day routine
- ❖ Change from one teacher to several teachers; every 40 minutes
- ❖ Change of location from class to class
- ❖ “New – ness’ can cause worry: parents, try to be supportive and understanding, while encouraging resilience and independence.

Transition from Primary to Secondary

- ❖ Organisation of school bag, uniform, locker & PE Gear
- ❖ Homework increase – time management: written homework, learning and revision – using the homework journal
- ❖ The New Junior Cycle - Classroom Based Assessments (CBAs)
- ❖ Extra Curricular activities

Role of Parents/Guardians

Download VSWare and the School App. Details will be emailed to you.

Keep contacts up to date through the office

[Please insist on excellent attendance and punctuality: send absence notes on VSWare](#)

Insist on perfect uniform every day(Available from McCannons)

Show interest in your child's school day; ask questions!

Check for school reports on VSWare

Check homework and Journal (sign weekly, please)

Attend Parent Teacher Meeting

Work with school and staff to bring your child to his / her potential

Consider getting involved in the Parents' Council

Evening Study and Homework Club

Students have the option of staying after school for Evening Study.

This is supervised by our own teachers.

Homework Club is offers to first year students for 1 hour Mon-Thurs. Specifically for students with particular needs. Students are encouraged by the teacher on duty and given assistance when required.

Code of Positive Behaviour



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- ❖ Respect
- ❖ Self-Discipline
- ❖ Performance depends on engagement
- ❖ Intelligence is not fixed, it depends on student motivation and application to study
- ❖ Dress Code – Uniform (Available from McCannons)
- ❖ Mobile Phone Policy
- ❖ Social Networking and Texting

Use of Phones & Social Media

- ❖ Establish clear boundaries.
- ❖ Phone/device should **not** be in the bedroom with a young child.
- ❖ With young teens the majority of abusive or inappropriate texts/pictures are sent or received when the child is alone in their bedroom.
- ❖ The longer a child has a phone the more they use it and established boundaries are eroded.
- ❖ What is deemed acceptable or unacceptable behaviour when using social media and group chats.
- ❖ Encourage your child to speak up and not to be a silent bystander.
- ❖ It is an offence to take a picture of another without their expressed permission.
- ❖ Use a parental control app that allows you to manage your child's time on their phone.

Special Educational Teaching Department

Our SET Dept. aims to ensure full access for pupils with special educational needs to high quality education, with a broad balanced and relevant curriculum, so that they can reach their full potential and enhance their self-esteem.

SET Team

Our SET team

Principal

Deputy Principals

SEN Co-ordinator

A highly qualified SEN teaching staff & Special Needs Assistants

One representative from both the Maths Department & English Department

The team is advised by the SENO and NEPS psychologist as well as other agencies and professionals involved with SEN students in the school.

Accessing Learning Support

Learning Support provision is based on evidence of learning difficulties, as ascertained from assessment procedures including Educational Assessments and school based standardised test

All Sixth Class students enrolling in St Flannan's College will be required to complete the CAT 4 (already completed) and Ppad-e Diagnostic Tests (autumn term 2022)

Identify strengths and needs in 4 key areas – Word Reading, Comprehension, Spelling and Numeracy

Students who are identified through this process will receive support in accordance with the Continuum of Support framework as set out by the Department of Education

SET Team

The SET Team will be in contact with parents/guardians and primary schools in the coming weeks to discuss individual students who may require specific support.

Core Subjects Up to the end of 3rd Year



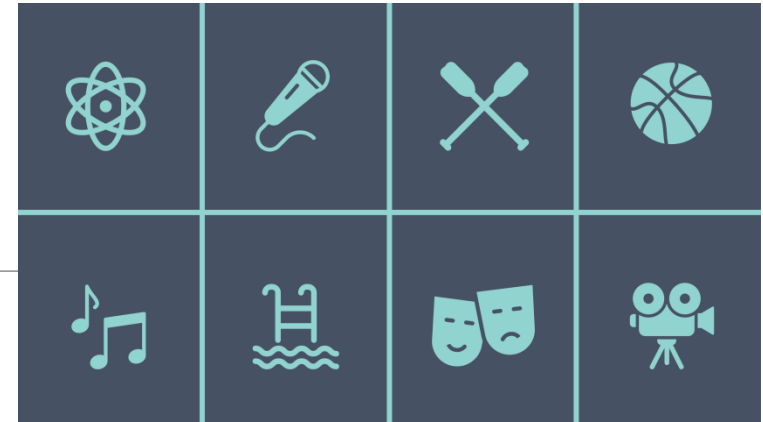
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Subject	Subject
English	Maths
Irish	Science
History	Geography
Business Studies	French OR German
Wellbeing – SPHE, CSPE, PE (Non-Exam)	Religious Education
Option – Music	Option – Home Economics
Option – Art	Option - Technical Graphics
Option – Materials Technology (Wood)	Option – Classical Studies

Extra Curricular Activities

- ❖ Hurling
- ❖ Gaelic Football
- ❖ Camogie
- ❖ Ladies Football
- ❖ Golf
- ❖ Coding lunchtime
- ❖ Chess club lunchtime

- ❖ Athletics
- ❖ Tennis
- ❖ Swimming
- ❖ Basketball
- ❖ Trad Group
- ❖ Badminton

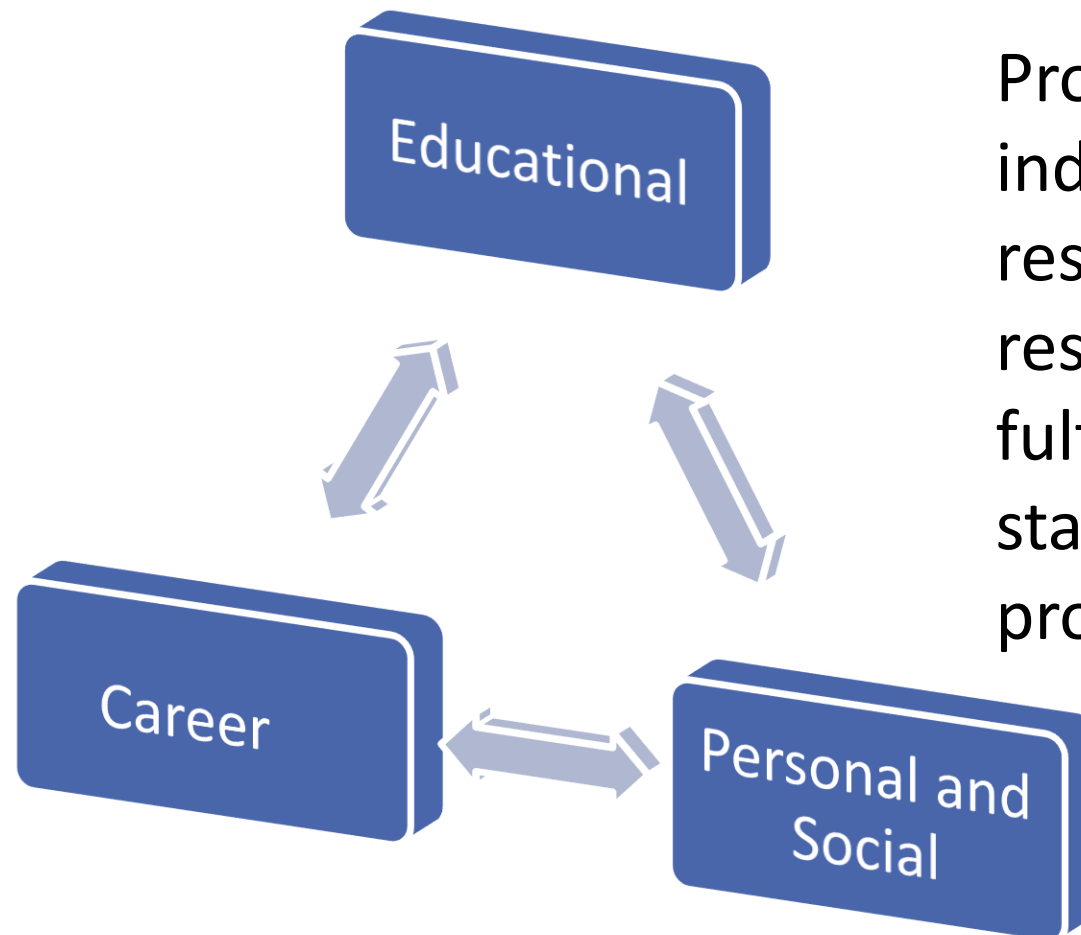




Guidance and Counselling

Rainbows Programme

- Bereaved
- Separated



Promoting independence, responsibility, resilience and fulfilment (Get up stand up programme)

To Install VSware App

Download the VS Ware app from your AppStore

OR

Copy this link into your web browser: (must be Google Chrome)
and save as favourite on your homescreen:

<https://sfc.vsware.ie>

OR

Go to **www.stflannanscollege.ie**

Click on VSware icon at the top of the page

- **Input username (which you will receive).**
- **When you first log in you will be asked to create a password. Then follow the onscreen instructions.**



Guidance and Counselling

- ❖ One-to-one appointments
- ❖ Subject choice – 1st Year, 3rd Year, TY
- ❖ Study Skills
- ❖ Supporting transition to second level
- ❖ Self management skills
- ❖ Resilience and coping skills
- ❖ College/ career decisions
- ❖ Open day college visits
- ❖ Career talks from visiting colleges for 6th years



Documentation Due to School

- Passport Photographs
- Irish Exemption Certs (ask your Primary School)



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Further Information

- ❖ School Website www.stflannanscollege.ie
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