SUBJECT CHOICE

First Year Students Borrisokane Community March 2021 2020



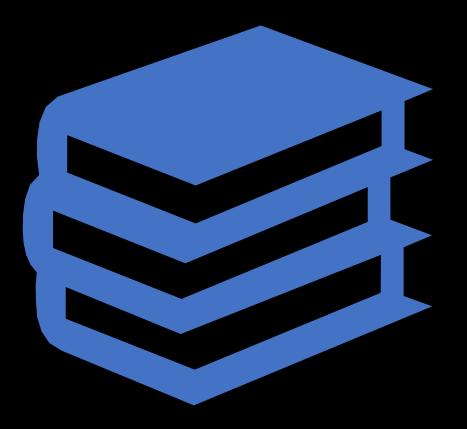
JUNIOR CYCLE

- Began in 2014
- Subjects on a phased basis
- Focus on key skills
- New approaches to teaching, assessment and reporting.



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- Compulsory Subjects:
- Irish (unless exemption)
- English
- Maths
- Science
- Religion
- PE
- SPHE



SUBJECT OPTIONS

• Art

- Business
- Home Economics
- Geography
- Music
- French
- German

- Wood Technology
- Graphics
- Engineering (Metalwork)
- Digital Media literacy or Coding short courses(100 hours approx.)
- Choose <u>five</u> in order of preference.
- Students will study <u>three</u> options for Junior Cycle.
- Indicate which short course you are taking.

GENERAL ADVICE RE CHOOSING SUBJECTS

- Choose subjects you are receiving good grades in.
- Choose subjects you enjoy.
- Be aware of subjects you may need for College entry in the future. (Language requirements)
- Be careful as regards your 4th and 5^h choices as you may end up taking them.
- Talk to teachers of the subjects.
- Check out websites such as www.curriculumonline.ie
- Ask for advice from Guidance Dept.

FURTHER INFORMATION

- <u>www.curriculumonline.ie</u>
- <u>www.jct.ie</u>
- <u>www.examinations.ie</u>
- <u>www.qualifax.ie</u>
- <u>www.careersportal.ie</u>

ART

- Aim is to increase the awareness of the visual world in which they live.
- There is a focus on the development t of ideas, skills, concepts and practice.
- Techniques such as sculpture, printing and pottery will also be introduced.

- No written exam.
- A project in third year worth one hundred per cent of the marks and assessed by the State Exams Commission.
- Careers
- Artist
- Architect
- Fashion Design
- Photography
- Graphic Designer

BUSINESS STUDIES

- Focuses on improving students' understanding of the business environment and on developing skills for life.
- Three strands
- Personal Finance
- Enterprise
- Our Economy
- Assessment 2 CBAs and common level written exam

- Careers
- Accountancy
- Administration
- Banking
- Human Resource Management
- Business Teaching
- Insurance
- Management

GEOGRAPHY

- The study of the earth's landscapes people's and places.
- Students will explore the physical world,
- How we interact with the physical world
- Explore people, place and change.
- Assessment:Two CBAs and Assessment task worth 10%.
- Final Exam Common level .

- Careers
- Environmental Manager
- Geologist
- Cartographer
- Travel Agent
- Town Planner
- Tourist information
- Teaching

HOME ECONOMICS

- Aims to develop students' attitude, skills, knowledge and understanding to achieve optimal healthy individuals.
- Develop practical food and health literacy skills.
- Develop students' resourcefulness .
- Develop creative design and textile skills.
- Assessment:2CBAs, Practical Food skills exam 50%
- Written exam 50%

- Careers
- Chef
- Hotel Manager
- Fashion Design
- Hotel Manager
- Social Worker
- Environmental Health Officer
- Beauty Therapy.

GERMAN / FRENCH

- Students develop the skills of listening reading spoken language and writing.
- Learning a new language allows students to develop new ways of thinking and can access new cultures.
- Assessment 2 CBAs. Assessment Task10% and written Exam 90%

- Careers
- Entry requirement for NUI Colleges for all courses except science, engineering and some business courses.
- Teaching
- Travel and Tourism
- Interpreter
- Business and language courses.

ENGINEERING(METAL WORK)

- Encourages students to problem solve.
- Students are active participants in their own learning.
- It is a hands on project based approach.
- The emphasis is on efficiency, accuracy, precision and a high quality finish.
- Assessment: 2 CBAs Project 70% and written exam 30%.

- Careers
- Apprenticeships,
- fitter,
- welder,
- mechanic,
- metal fabricator.
- Engineer
- Tool Technology and Design

MUSIC

- Develop their imagination and curiosity
- Develop specific music skills and transferable skills
- Explore their music knowledge and skills
- Investigate music in past and present contexts and how it is influenced by culture

- Careers
- Music teacher
- Primary teaching
- Entertainment
- Music Technology
- Musician
- Assessment written
 exam 70%
- Practical Exam 30%
- Two CBAs

GRAPHICS

- Graphics involves students in the development of a range of skills associated with the management of spatial problems and graphic communication of spatial ideas and solutions.
- Students also develop skills in drawing and sketching aswell as computer graphics.

- Assessment
- 2 CBAs
- A project worth 30%
- Written Exam 70%
- Careers
- Architect
- Graphic Designer
- Civil Engineer
- Artist
- Apprenticeships

WOOD TECHNOLOGY

- Students will explore the natural and man made world through the medium of design.
- Learning will be active and student centred.
- Students engage in research and collaborative projects learning about wood as a natural resource and manufacturing material.
- They also develop skills in relation to safe working habits, project management and wood working techniques.

- Careers
- Wood Science and Technology
- Teaching
- Apprenticeships in carpentry, roofing and construction trades.
- Quantity surveying
- Construction Management.
- Assessment: Two CBAs
- Project 70%
- Written exam 30%