

# Welcome to St. Mary's Diocesan School





2025

# WELCOME OUR INCOMING FIRST YEAR PARENTS

- We are delighted to welcome you here to St. Mary's D.S.
- We acknowledge there is a lot of detail contained in these slides but it is offered to provide as comprehensive a guide to your new school as we can in these times
- We will put this presentation up on our website for you to revisit if needed

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# KEY PRINCIPLE OF ST. MARY'S DIOCESAN SCHOOL

- R E S P E C T
  - Respect oneself
  - Respect the staff & other students
  - Respect school property

# CONTACT DETAILS



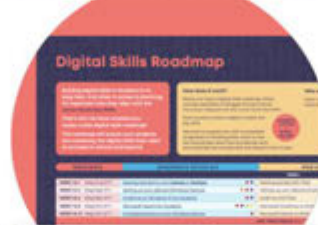
- It is very important that the school always has an up to-date telephone number and address for parents/guardians in case of emergencies.
- If there are any changes to contact details please inform the office immediately.

# Why Wriggle?

## Welcome to our community



10 years supporting  
Irish schools



Education only  
focused



Network of  
60+ teachers



1,500+ partner  
schools



30,000 Parents & Students  
supported annually



6+ World Leading  
Technology Partners

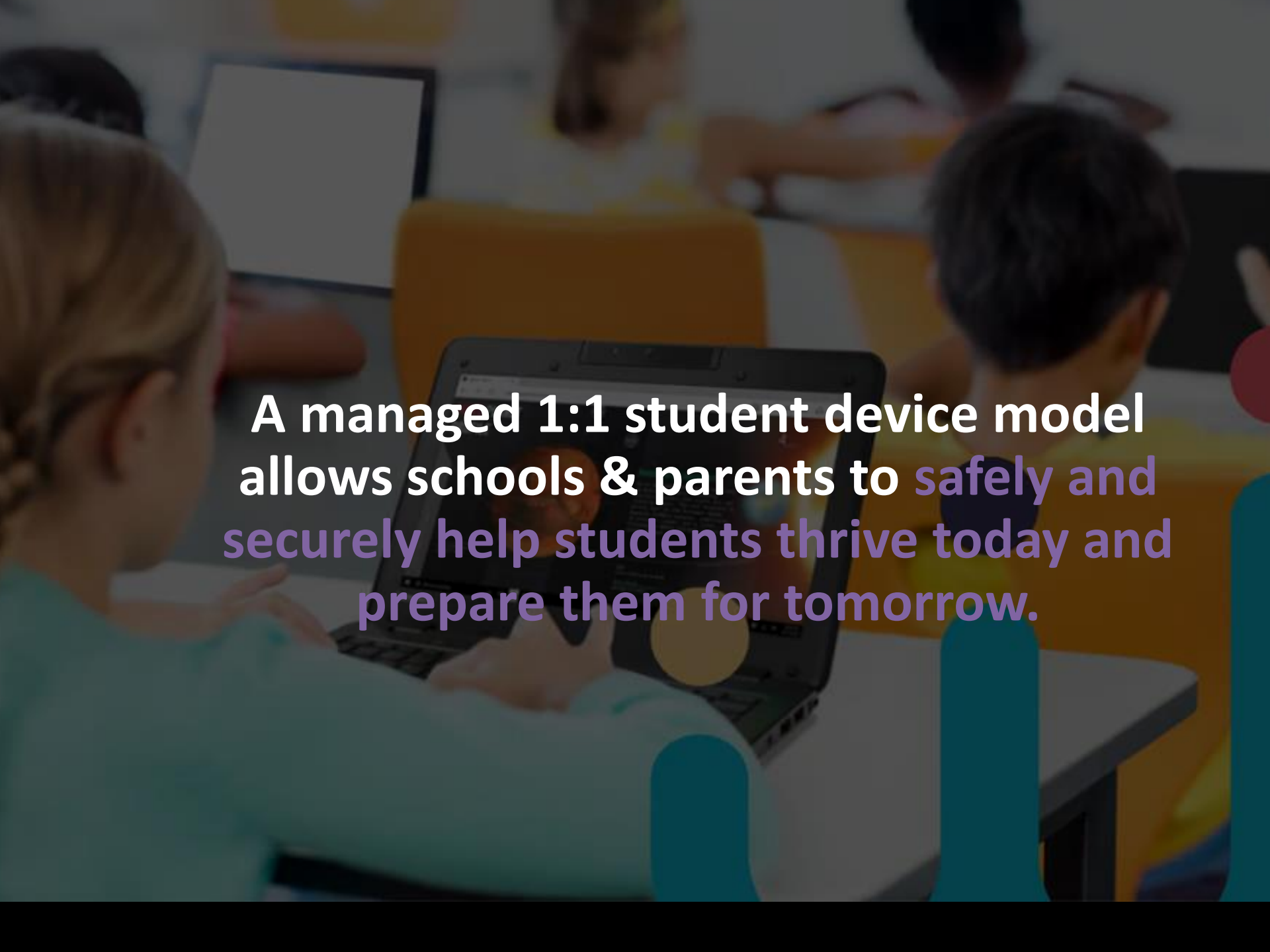
Contact [sales@wrigglelearning.ie](mailto:sales@wrigglelearning.ie)

[wriggle.ie](http://wriggle.ie)

[@gowriggle](https://www.instagram.com/gowriggle)



Technology for Learning



**A managed 1:1 student device model  
allows schools & parents to safely and  
securely help students thrive today and  
prepare them for tomorrow.**

# Why a 1-1 student device model?

Wriggle

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**‘Everyone is a genius. But if you judge a fish by its ability to climb a tree, it will live its whole life believing that it is stupid.’**

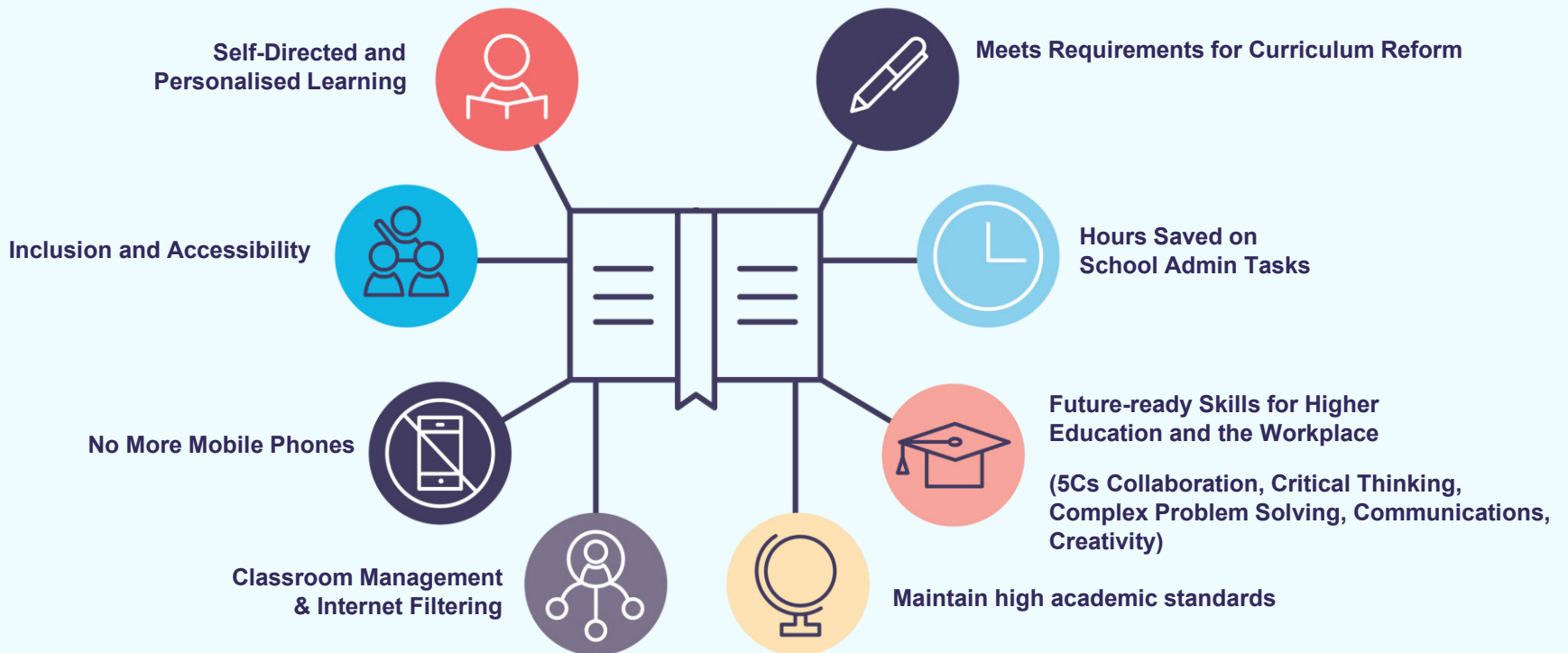
**- Albert Einstein**



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## Why choose a Student Device Model?





The world is experiencing a  
Tsunami of change

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# Top 10 skills of 2025



Analytical thinking and innovation



Active learning and learning strategies



Complex problem-solving



Critical thinking and analysis



Creativity, originality and initiative



Leadership and social influence



Technology use, monitoring and control



Technology design and programming







Resilience, stress tolerance and flexibility



Reasoning, problem-solving and ideation

## Type of skill

-  Problem-solving
-  Self-management
-  Working with people
-  Technology use and development

## Teaching is Evolving



Using  
Technology

+

Using Traditional  
Methodologies

=

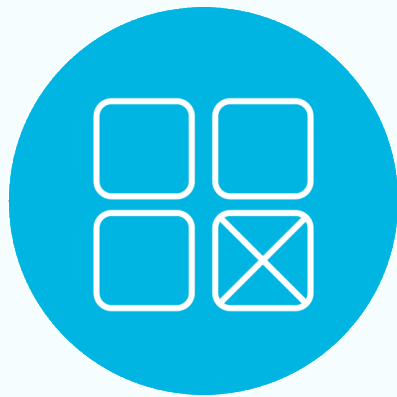
Blended  
Learning

# Wriggle Managed Device Model



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# Device Management



**No Inappropriate  
Applications**

+



**MDM**

+



**Locking Down  
Service**

# What does it include for parents?



## Supported throughout entire time in school

Technical support via phone and email for parents and students.



## DEVICE CONFIGURATION

Bespoke setup and management for each student.



## TRAINING

Complimentary access to 1000's of training videos on Wriggle Connect Family.



## DEVICE SECURITY

Secure device configuration using MDM to ensure device is for educational use only.



## REPAIRS & LOANERS

Management of warranty repairs alongside logistics support. Also, the provision of a device loaner programme for quick swap-out.



## Interest Free Payment Plans

Pay off your bundle with 12 interest free payments

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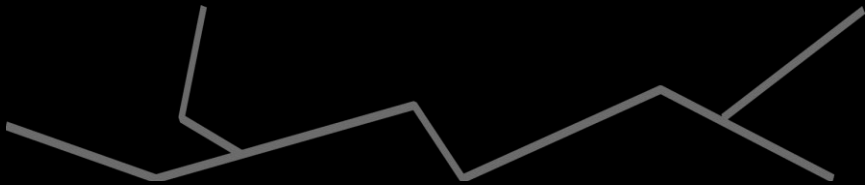




SwapIT By Wriggle

# SwapIT By Wriggle

Broken laptop or tablet?  
No problem!



Wriggle's SwapIT Programme  
gives you access to loan  
devices to keep in school at  
all times.

Experience zero downtime and  
zero learning loss with  
uninterrupted access  
to technology for students  
and teachers.

# Customer Service





## Online Safety and Device Security

### Problem

Access to Distracting or Inappropriate Content



Wriggle's team of engineers install Mobile Device Management software onto each student's device before it arrives at the student's home.

### Wriggle Solution

#### Parents

Peace of mind knowing their children are safe to browse online.

#### Teachers

Keep on top of student behaviour with classroom management tools.

**senso.** 

Remote Monitoring and Management

On-Demand Training in Technology  
for Parents and Students



wriggleConnect  
family

[family.wriggleconnect.ie](https://family.wriggleconnect.ie)

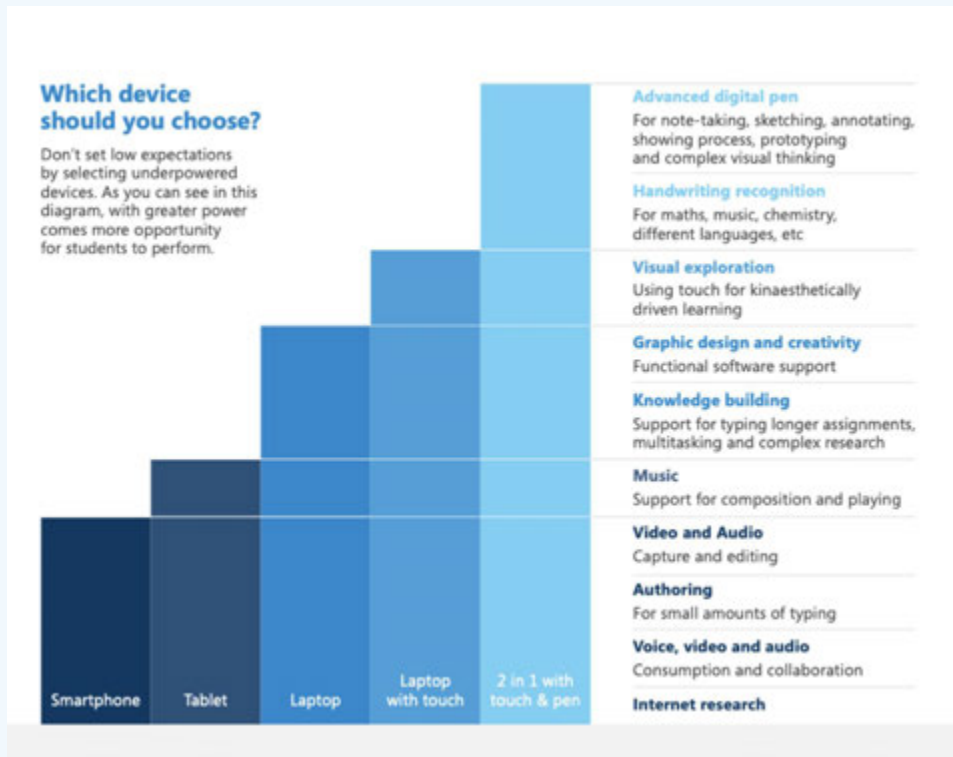
# Provisioning of Books and eBooks accounts



# Device Choice & Specification



# Choosing a device



- Collaboration, communication & assessment
- 2-in-1 [Touchscreen, keyboard & pen included]
- Digital Inking
- Mirrors work world
- Accessibility tools
- Subject specialist tools
- Good screen size
- Admin/word processing
- Teacher and school supports

# Windows 2-in-1 Touchscreen Student Laptop



**Built for Durability:** Designed to handle the demands of student life, with a robust build that includes Corning Gorilla Glass for screen protection and military-grade certification to withstand daily bumps and drops.

**Reliable Connectivity:** Equipped with dual-band Wi-Fi 6 and Bluetooth 5.2 for fast, stable, and seamless connections to the internet and peripherals, whether at school or home.

**Immersive Display:** Features a high-quality LED display with wide viewing angles and vibrant brightness, making it suitable for academic tasks and multimedia learning.

**Optimized Performance:** Powered by an Intel quad-core processor, 8GB of RAM, and a 128GB SSD, ensuring quick, smooth multitasking and fast performance for various student needs.

**Enhanced Security:** Includes TPM 2.0 and BIOS protection to safeguard sensitive data, offering peace of mind for schools and families.

**Versatile Design:** The 2-in-1 functionality allows use as a laptop or tablet, providing flexibility for different learning environments and activities.



## Bundle Cost Breakdown

ITEM	DETAILS	PRICE (inc.VAT)
ASUS BR12 2-in-1 Touchscreen Student Laptop	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 8GB RAM</li> <li>• 128GB SSD</li> <li>• N150 Processor</li> <li>• Robust Education Device</li> <li>• 2-in-1 Touchscreen Functionality</li> <li>• Student-friendly design</li> <li>• Scratch-resistant screens</li> <li>• Reliable performance specs</li> <li>• Stylus support included</li> <li>• Long battery life</li> <li>• 5yr Warranty</li> </ul>	€529
Case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Heavy Duty Case Protector</li> </ul>	€40
Senso Internet Content Filtering & Classroom Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Senso Class Cloud (Classroom Management)</li> <li>• Senso Content Filter (Internet Filter)</li> <li>• 3yr License</li> </ul>	€42
Configuration, Service & Support for 6 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Device Configuration</li> <li>• Home Delivery</li> <li>• Wriggle Connect Family License</li> <li>• 6yr Support</li> <li>• SwapIT</li> </ul>	€120
<b>Total</b>		<b>€731</b>
Optional Finance Plan - Wriggle Pay	<p>Powered by Humm 12 month 0% Interest free <i>Pricing subject to change based on options and market variations</i></p>	€61 x 12 monthly payments

## WriggleiPay

Wriggle has developed Wriggle Pay as a 0% finance solution to **lighten the financial burden that parents face** during the Back-to-School period.

# What does device insurance cover?

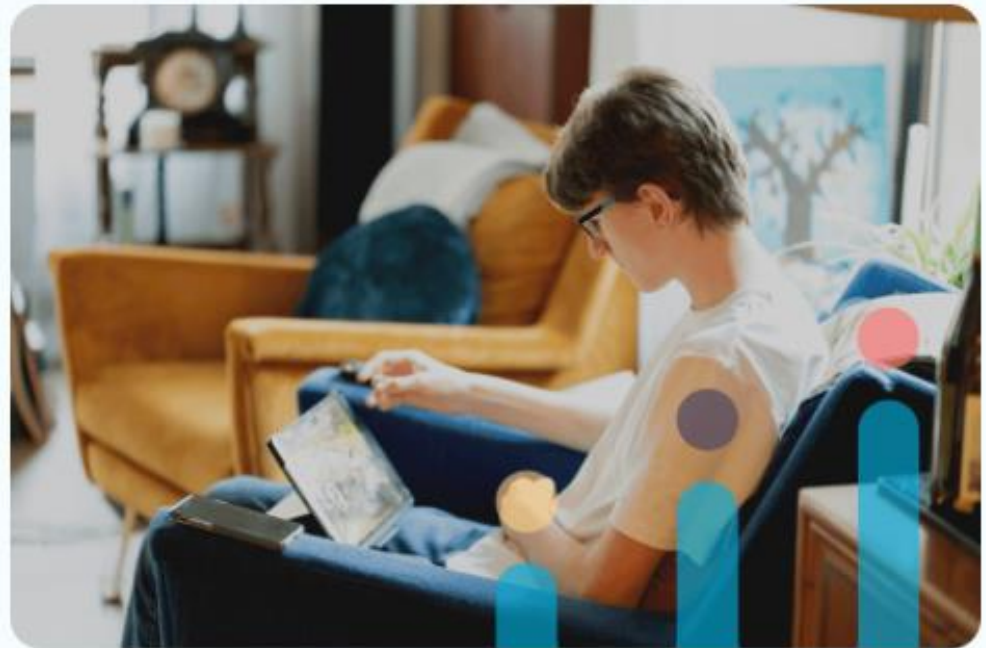
We know that students' school devices naturally go through a lot during the school day. That's why we developed a unique insurance offer, designed especially for devices used in school covering:

- ✓ Accidental damage
- ✓ Exclusive Offer for Wriggle Customers – Loss Cover included at No Extra Cost
- ✓ Liquid damage
- ✓ Theft
- ✓ Unlimited repairs
- ✓ 180 days worldwide cover in any 12-month period
- ✓ Excess fee of €50

\*Insurance is provided by Compare Now Limited trading as Yes Insurance. Compare Now Limited trading as Yes Insurance is regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland.

[Customer Support](#)

[Make a Claim](#)



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# Timeline & Next Steps



## Important Dates

- **Store Opens:** 10<sup>th</sup> April 2025
- **Store Closes:** 24<sup>th</sup> June 2025
- **Summer:** Device delivered to your home
- **Mid August:** Back to school Webinars



## Wriggle Parents' Information Pack

**wriggle**  
Technology for Learning

Full on-demand access  
to 100s of 2 minute tutorials online on safely using  
child

Keep me,  
I'm Important



All of these tutorials  
are available on demand,  
FREE of charge to your  
whole family on the Wriggle  
Connect Family+ platform.

To learn more about  
**wriggleConnect**  
family

Click Here

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A guide to purchasing  
physical books and  
installing eBooks

**wriggle**  
Connect  
family



To make it easier for you to get  
all your physical schoolbooks in  
one place, delivered to your door,  
Wriggle has partnered with Book  
Haven, specialists in schoolbooks  
for over 40 years who will create  
a unique store for your school  
containing all of your books.

Purchase all your physical  
books on your school's  
Bookhaven store

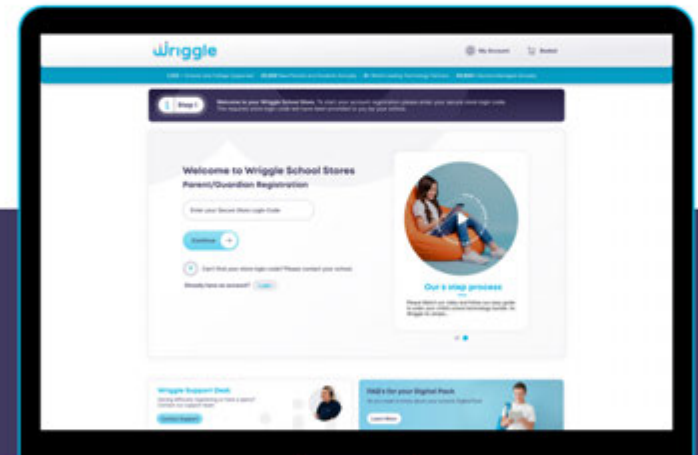
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To learn more about  
purchasing physical books  
and installing eBooks

Click Here

# YOUR 7 STEP GUIDE TO USING THE WRIGGLE ONLINE STORE



**STORE.WRIGGLE.IE**

# Devices

[ICT-Acceptable-Usage-Policy.pdf](#)

Payment options:

Full payment upon ordering online with Wriggle  
(Debit or credit card accepted)

WrigglePay provided by Humm 0% finance for 12 months (there is a set up cost and maintenance fee)

Drogheda Credit union offer a 3 year loan for active members, interest rate of 8.9%, APR of 9.29%

Contact your own credit union to ask them about an education rate



# Year Heads

Joseph Murphy  
Niamh Liston



# JUNIOR CYCLE UNIFORM

- Wine Jumper with navy band and School Crest
- *School Tie*
- Available from Best Wear (*Shop Street & Laytown*)
- Navy Trousers & white shirt- Available Penneys/ Dunnes, etc
- COMPLETELY black footwears.
- Jacket with crest available from *Best Wear or PlayRFit*
  - Non-uniform jackets will be confiscated

**STUDENTS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED INTO CLASSES WITHOUT FULL UNIFORM.**



Wine Jumper, Navy Trousers, White shirt and Tie  
PE Uniform  
Jacket  
All available at Best Wear – Price list on QR code

# Footwear

Suitable

vs

not suitable

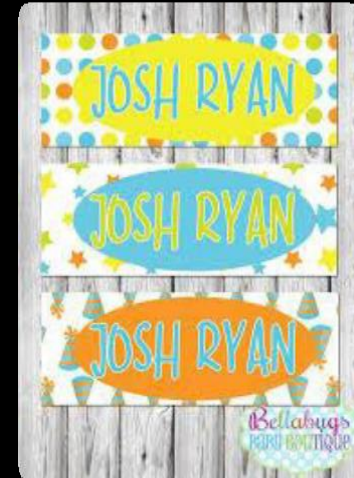


# PHYSICAL EDUCATION

- Healthy Mind = Healthy Body
- Teaches team-work and respect
- Vital Part of School Life
- PE uniform from Best Wear (Same shop as Uniform)
- Runners
- Boots= Molded studs not blades or metal studs

# LABEL EVERYTHING

- There are over 900 students with almost the same uniform
- Please put their name on everything including their school jacket



**This item belongs to:**

Pro Tip !

# PERSONAL PRESENTATION

- Neat & tidy
- Hair: natural colourings only.
  - No logos dyed or shaved into the head.
  - Long hair needs to be tied back especially in practical situations e.g. Woodwork practical as loose it poses a Health & Safety Risk.
- Jewellery
  - No facial jewellery
  - No Ear/ Nose piercings etc.



<b>Times</b>	<b>Monday - Thursday</b>
08.45-09.43	Class 1
09.43-09.54	Tutor Class
09.54-10.52	Class 2
10.52-11.07	Break
11.07-12.05	Class 3
12.05-13.03	Class 4
13.03-13.38	Lunch
13.38-14.36	Class 5
14.36-15.34	Class 6

# OUR TIMETABLE

<b>Times</b>	<b>Friday</b>
08.45-09.43	Class 1
09.43-09.55	Tutor Class
09.55-10.53	Class 2
10.53-11.08	Break
11.08-12.06	Class 3
12.06-13.04	Class 4

# SCHOOL TIMETABLE

- School begins at 8.45 am every morning
- At 9.43 am there is a tutor class every day
- Monday – Thursday school ends at 3.34 pm
- On Friday school ends at 1.04 pm
- Each class is 58 minutes long



# SCHOOL JOURNAL

- Students are given their Journals by their tutors on the first day of school.
- First years have a group specific journal with content aimed at becoming a Successful Post Primary Student
- Used for:
  - Recording homework (Written and Learning)
  - General communication between the teachers and parents/guardians
  - Academic Monitoring
- The class tutors check the journals every week.
- Parent/guardians must check and sign the journal EVERY week.

Taking care to check for graffiti, inappropriate drawings/words. The journal should be kept in a neat and presentably condition at all times

ATTENDANCE AND ILLNESS

Attendance is linked directly to performance in school

Students must attend ALL day every day

If a child is absent a note must be provided to explain the absence.

More than 20 days absence Tusla must be informed

A student must report to the office if late in the morning.

Illness during the day- student to report to a Yearhead/Deputy Principal/Principal with permission from the teacher.

Parents may be telephoned to collect child if illness does not pass.

**Students can only contact parents through the main office – not through mobile phones.**

# LEAVING SCHOOL DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

## **For an appointment:**

- Use the VSware App:
- Sign out and in digitally before school from home before school starts
- A phone call may be made to parent to confirm the note.

## **At Lunch time:**

- FIRST YEAR students are not allowed to leave the school grounds (this applies to 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Years too)



**GLANMORE**  
**— FOODS —**

# **SCHOOL CANTEEN**

- Glanmore Foods
- Healthy and fresh
- Sandwiches, rolls, paninis & wraps
- Hot dinners
- Water, Juice, fruit

# MOBILE PHONES & ELECTRONIC DEVICES

- Mobile phones are not permitted to be used on school grounds during the school day for First Years (and next years Second Years).
- If a mobile device is brought to school it is to be kept powered off and in their schoolbag.
- [Mobile-Phone-Policy-2024.pdf](#)
- Any contact that needs to be made with a student/ parent during the day must be through the office.
- If a phone is seen during the school day it may be confiscated and held until the end of the day by the Deputy Principal.
- If the phone has to be confiscated a number of times it will be kept for a longer period of time, parents/ guardians will be informed of this. Further sanctions may be imposed for repeat offenses.



# SCHOOLWISE & MICROSOFT 365 FOR EDUCATION



- Digital learning platforms
- Sharing learning with peers/teachers
- Keeping up with information if classes are missed
- Additional notes/ learning activities from teachers

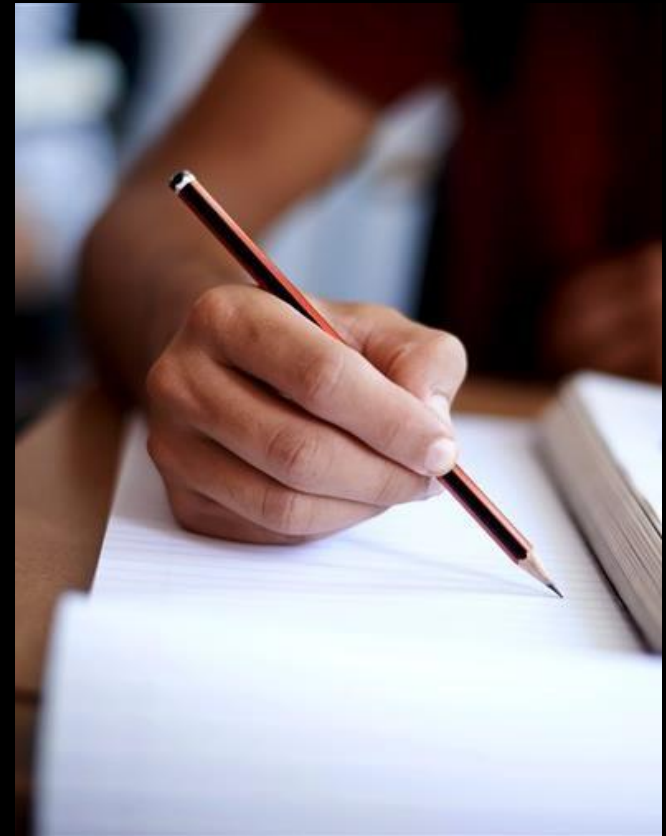
- **Common teenager excuses:**


- 'we got no homework"  
...very unlikely but they should still revise the work done that day
- 'I got it done in a free class'.....very unlikely but they should still revise the work done that day
- 'I don't know what I got'....  
Text/ phone/ social network.
- 'I don't understand it'..... They should sit down and write out 5 things from the topic they have difficulty in understanding. Time should be spent in trying rather than just giving up instantly.

**Having a set routine of 1-1.5 hours**  
**EVERY week night will help avoid**  
**arguments about homework!**

# HOMework

Aim for 1- 1.5 hours  
**every weekday evening**





# AFTER SCHOOL STUDY

- Consent letters will be available at the start of term
  - Monday to Thursday until 5.30pm
  - €10 per week
  - More details will be given at the beginning of the term.



# LOCKERS

- €20 Annual Rental Fee
- Payment for lockers can be made through vsware in June and your son's locker will be allocated to him in one of the first days of school.
- The locker will require a medium sized lock
- Buy a lock with a key – not a combination
  - Please put the spare key away somewhere safe!

Pro Tip  
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- Lockers can only be used before and after school and at break/lunchtime
- Lockers cannot be used between classes.





# SCHOOL APP & WEBSITE

[www.stmarysds.ie](http://www.stmarysds.ie)

Please go to itunes / android store and download the app for free (further details are on our website)

- Timetable
- Picking Option subjects
- Assessment
- Behaviour
- Attendance
- Fees
- Communication

# NEW JUNIOR CYCLE

- The Junior Cycle has replaced the Junior Certificate.
- Your sons will sit an exam in each subject in June of 3rd year.
- They will also complete Classroom Based Assessments (CBAs) in each subject.
- Wellbeing includes Physical Education, SPHE & CSPE as well as an overall wellbeing class. Tutor time is also part of wellbeing.
- All of the above is reported on a Junior Cycle Profile of Achievement certificate (JCPA).



# GRADING FORMAT

## State Examinations

- Distinction 90 -100%
- Higher Merit 75% - 80%
- Merit 55% -74%
- Achieved 40% - 54%
- Partially Achieved 20% - 39%
- Not Graded Less than 20%

## Classroom-Based Assessments

- Exceptional
- Above expectations
- In line with expectations
- Yet to meet expectations
- Not reported

# PICKING OPTION SUBJECTS

Subjects  
are not  
given on  
a first  
come  
first  
served  
basis

Choose one from Modern European  
Language:

- French or Spanish
- Rank these from 1-7 in order of preference (your son will get 2 of these):

- Visual Art
- Business Studies
- Classics
- Wood Technology
- Music
- Graphics
- Applied Technology

*Choose option subjects based on **interest** not*

- *The teacher*
- *Friends/ Siblings*



Pro Tip !

CBA's examine Oral, Aural and Written aspects of the language while the terminal exam examines Aural and Written

French

# MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Spanish

**Why Study French?**

- Over 220 million speak French on 5 continents
- A big advantage on the national job & tourism market
- Your ticket to studies in France
- A key to international organizations (UN, EU, NGOS)
- Language of culture

Open the door to a new world

Illustration of Paris landmarks: Eiffel Tower, Notre-Dame, and the Louvre.

OR

**5 reasons to learn Spanish**

- more than **500 million** of people speak **Spanish**  
Official language in 21 countries
- Spanish is the **second** language in the world in number of speakers
- Spanish is the **third** language on the internet
- almost **20 million** of students learn Spanish as a foreign language
- in 2030 **7.5%** of the world population will speak Spanish

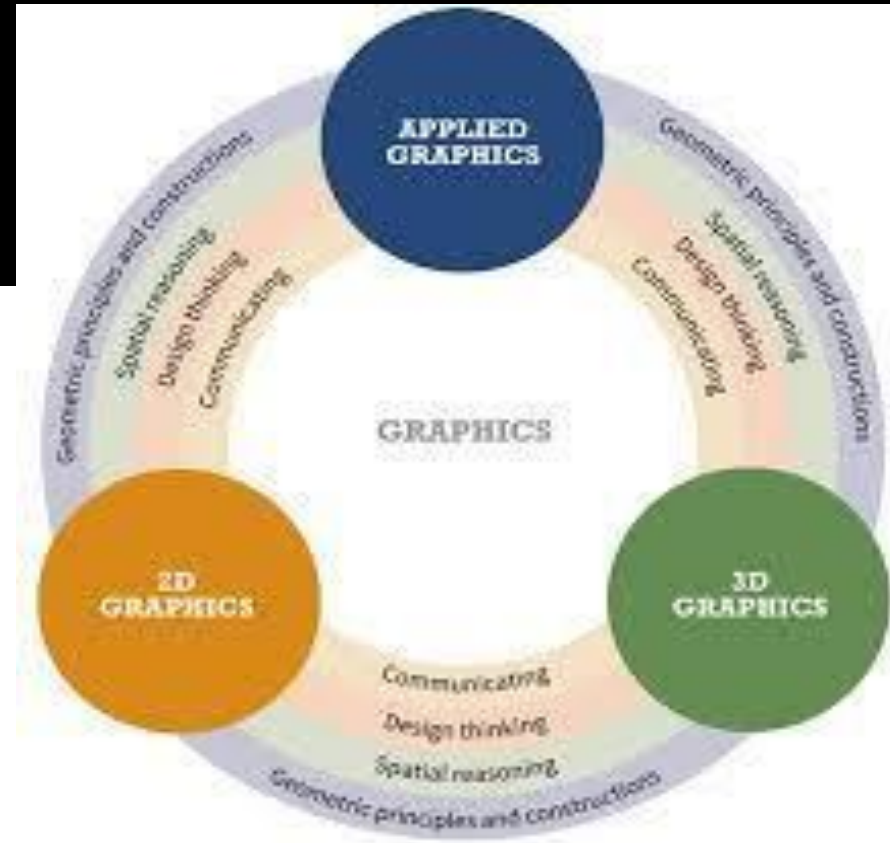
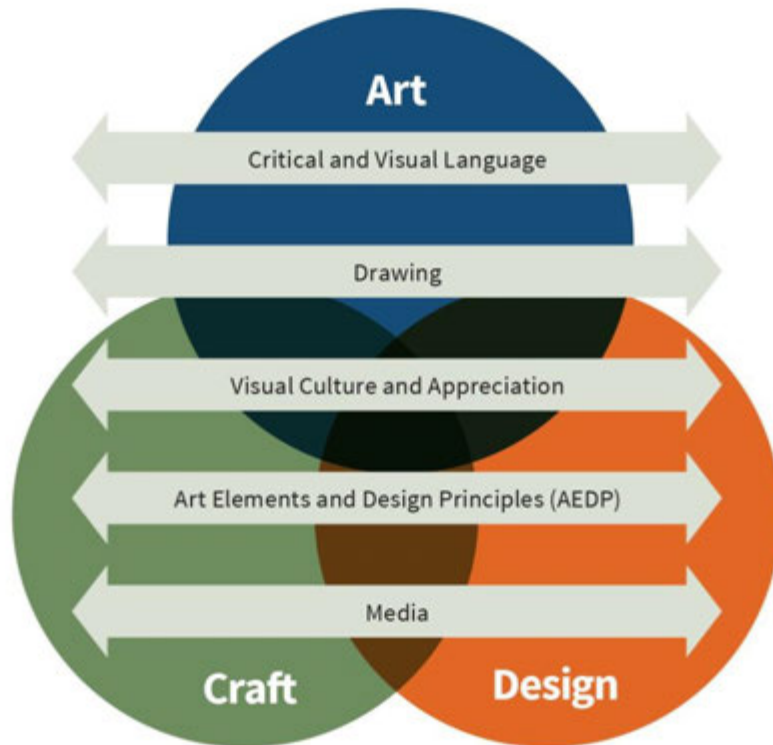
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# DRAWING SUBJECTS

Visual Art

100% Project

0% Terminal Exam



30% Project  
70% Terminal Exam  
Graphics

# PRACTICAL PROJECT SUBJECTS

## Wood Technology

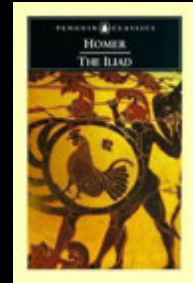
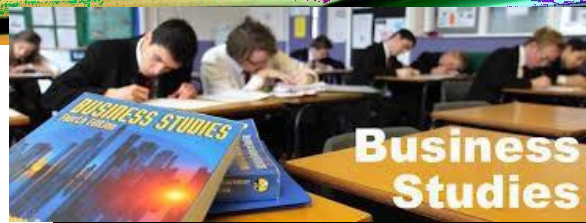
- Hard and soft woods.
- Composites
- Cutting, Tooling, Assembling, Simple Joinery
- CBAs Then 70% Project and 30% Terminal Exam



## Applied Technology

- Light Plastics/ Acrylics/ Simple Mechanisms
- Tooling and assembling
- Planning.
- /Design, Communication, Sustainability
- CBAs Then 70% Project and 30% Terminal Exam





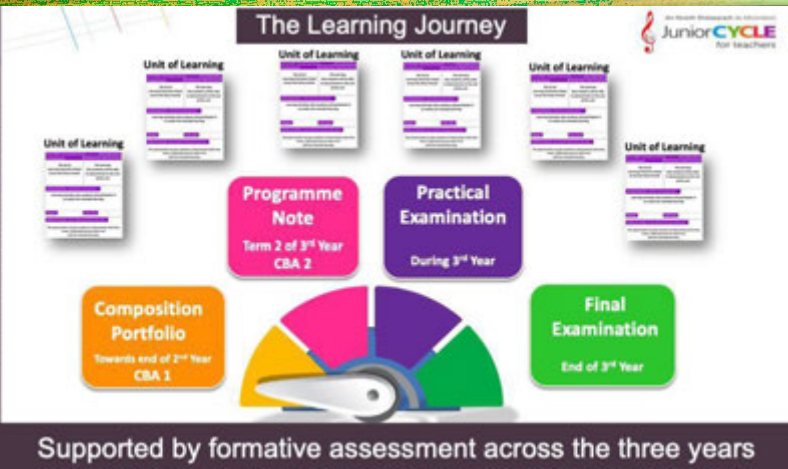
# Business Studies

**Business Studies offers you the chance to learn about:**

- Money**      earning it, spending it, saving it, borrowing it
- Record-keeping**      recording your income and expenditure, preparing your personal budget, acting as treasurer of your club
- Tax**      PAYE, PRSI, VAT
- The consumer**      your rights, who can assist you
- Employment**      types of jobs, applying for jobs
- Self-employment**      setting up your own business, who can assist you
- Government**      what it does

# Classics

- Develop an appreciation of the civilisations of the ancient Greek and Roman worlds and the ancient Greek and Latin languages
- Classics gives students the opportunity to engage with the culture, literature, languages, art and material culture of Ancient Greece and Rome in a variety of ways. The course comprises three strands, and students will study two out of these three strands. The first strand, core component – myth and daily life, will be taken by all students. Alongside this, students have the option of studying either the Classical Studies component (World of Achilles and Rome, Centre of an Empire) or the Classical Language component (Latin or Ancient Greek).



# Music

The specification for Junior Cycle Music focuses on giving students the opportunity to develop their musical knowledge, skills and cultural awareness through the practical and cognitive engagement with music.

This can be achieved through the three interconnected strands: 1. Procedural knowledge 2. Innovate and ideate 3. Culture and context.

CBA's Then 30% Practical and 70% Terminal Exam



## New Senior Cycle

- **Senior Cycle is undergoing significant redevelopment to enhance the learning experience and assessment methods.**
- **By the time they are in Senior Cycle, most, if not all of their subjects will have a project to go with the written exam.**
- **These projects are called Additional Assessment Components (AACs). They will account for at least 40% of the overall grade.**



# CHOOSING OPTIONS

## In Preference 1-7

- The options can be completed on vsware
- Students should list their subject choices all the way from 1 to 7.
- 1 being their most preferred and 7 their least
- They are not assigned on a first come first served basis
- **Closing date 14<sup>th</sup> March @ 12pm.**

1. Type in [www.stmarysds.app.vsware.ie](https://stmarysds.app.vsware.ie) into address bar

**OR** Download the app as above in slide 21

2. Click create or reset password

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://stmarysds.app.vsware.ie>. The page content includes the VSware logo, the text "Welcome to VSware", and a login form. The form has a "School" dropdown menu set to "St Mary's Diocesan School", a "Username" input field with the placeholder "Your username", and a "Password" input field with masked characters. Below the password field is a link that says "Create or reset your password". A blue "Login" button is positioned below the link. At the bottom of the page, there is a link "Don't have an account? Learn more" and social media icons for Twitter and LinkedIn. A green arrow points from the text "2. Click create or reset password" to the "Create or reset your password" link.

3. Then insert username provided on your letter. Please note this is case sensitive and there is no space between the dot

4. Then enter the last 4 digits of your phone number & click send code

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://stmarysds.app.vsware.ie/password-reset>. The page content includes a 'Back to login' link, a 'Password Reset' heading, a lock icon, a 'Username' input field, a 'Last 4 digits of registered phone number' input field with four individual boxes, a blue 'Send code' button, and a 'Don't have an account? Learn more' link. A red arrow points from the text above to the 'Send code' button.

5. This will send you an activation code and you will then be able to set a memorable password unique to you. (Please keep these details safe as you will need them for your son throughout his time with us.)

# Subject Options

Click on your son's name

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `stmarysds.app.vsware.ie`. The page title is "Parent Dashboard" and the navigation menu includes "Parent Dashboard" and "Your Children". The main content area is titled "Parent Dashboard" and contains three cards: "Welcome to the Dashboard", "Your Children", and "Your Contact Details". The "Your Children" card shows a list of children, with one child's name obscured by a red box. A red arrow points from the text "Click on your son's name" to this red box. Below the "Your Children" card is a "Notifications" card with the message "Nothing to report!".

Parent Dashboard

Your Children

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

Notifications

Nothing to report!

## Pick an area to explore



### Attendance

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

[Learn More](#)



### 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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Click on student options



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

Closing date: 23/04/2021

### Language

Preference	Subject Choice
1	Select a subject ▼

### Subject Option

Preference	Subject Choice
1	Select a subject ▼
2	Select a subject ▼
3	Select a subject ▼
4	Select a subject ▼

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

Closing date: 23/04/2021

### Language

Preference	Subject Choice
1	Select a subject ▲ Select a subject French Spanish

### Subject Option

Preference	Subject Choice
1	Select a subject ▼
2	Select a subject ▼
3	Select a subject ▼
4	Select a subject ▼

Please click on the language and select either French or Spanish

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

Closing date: 23/04/2021

## Language

Preference	Subject Choice
1	Select a subject ▼

## Subject Option

Preference	Subject Choice
1	Select a subject ▲
2	Applied Technology Music Classics Graphics Visual Art
3	Wood Technology Business Studies
4	Select a subject ▼



Then select the option subjects in order of preference from 1-7

# Books and equipment



- All necessary books and workbooks will be provided by the Book scheme. The books remain the property of the school. Lost/damaged books will need to be replaced.
- A pack with copies, hardback copies, calculators, and Maths formulae tables will be provided. Full details will be communicated in June.



# SCHOOL BUS

- Applications and payments will be accepted from the end of this month for School Transport for the new school year 2025/2026. Please check the Bus Éireann school transport website for details.
- [Bus Éireann | School Transport Services](#)
- The closing date for applications is usually the end of April
- All enquires should be made to Bus Éireann/ Private bus companies re transport.
- [gov.ie - School transport](#)

# SCHOOL CALENDAR



First years will be phased into school for part days Buses may not be in operation.



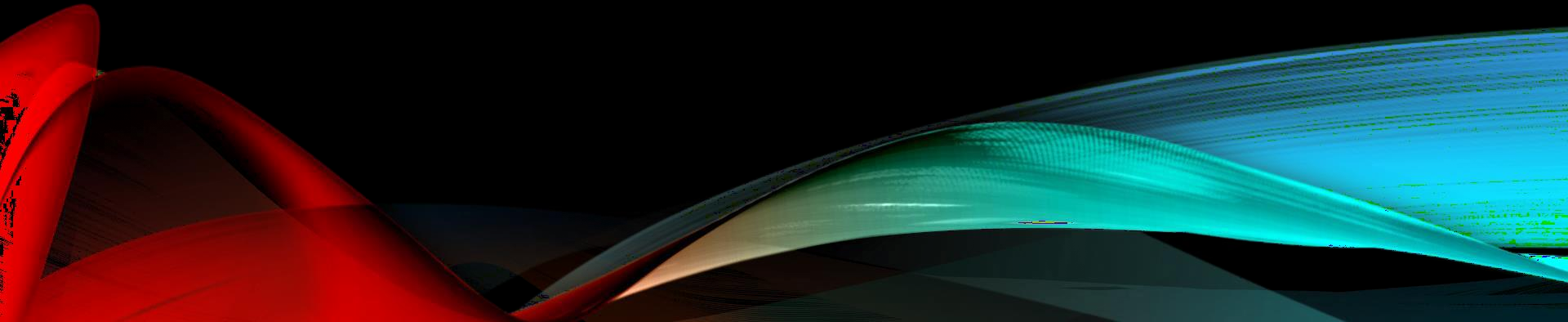
**We await clarification regarding school reopening. Further details will be posted on our website and app closer to the time.**



School Calendar will published on line ( an app notification will be sent when this goes on line) The journal will include a printed schedule of set holiday dates and proposed parent teacher meetings

*Throughout the year please feel free to make an appointment at any other time to meet with a member of staff if you have any concerns. Appointments can be made through the secretary.*

# JUNIOR CYCLE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT SYSTEM



# CLASS RULES

THE PRINCIPLE UNDERPINNING ALL THE SCHOOL RULES IS RESPECT



BE ON TIME FOR CLASS



SIT IN THE ASSIGNED SEAT



HAVE CORRECT  
EQUIPMENT-  
BOOKS/COPIES/JOURNAL/  
PENS/PE GEAR



EYES AND EARS TO THE  
TEACHER- FACING  
FORWARD



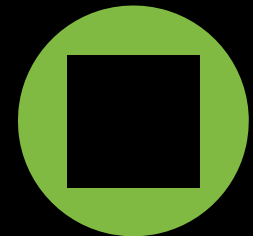
HANDS UP TO SPEAK –NO  
CALLING OUT



HAVE MY HOMEWORK  
DONE



ENGAGE IN CLASSES AND  
DO MY CLASS WORK TO  
THE BEST OF MY ABILITY



HAVE DEVICE CHARGED  
AND READY FOR EVERY  
CLASS

## REWARDS:

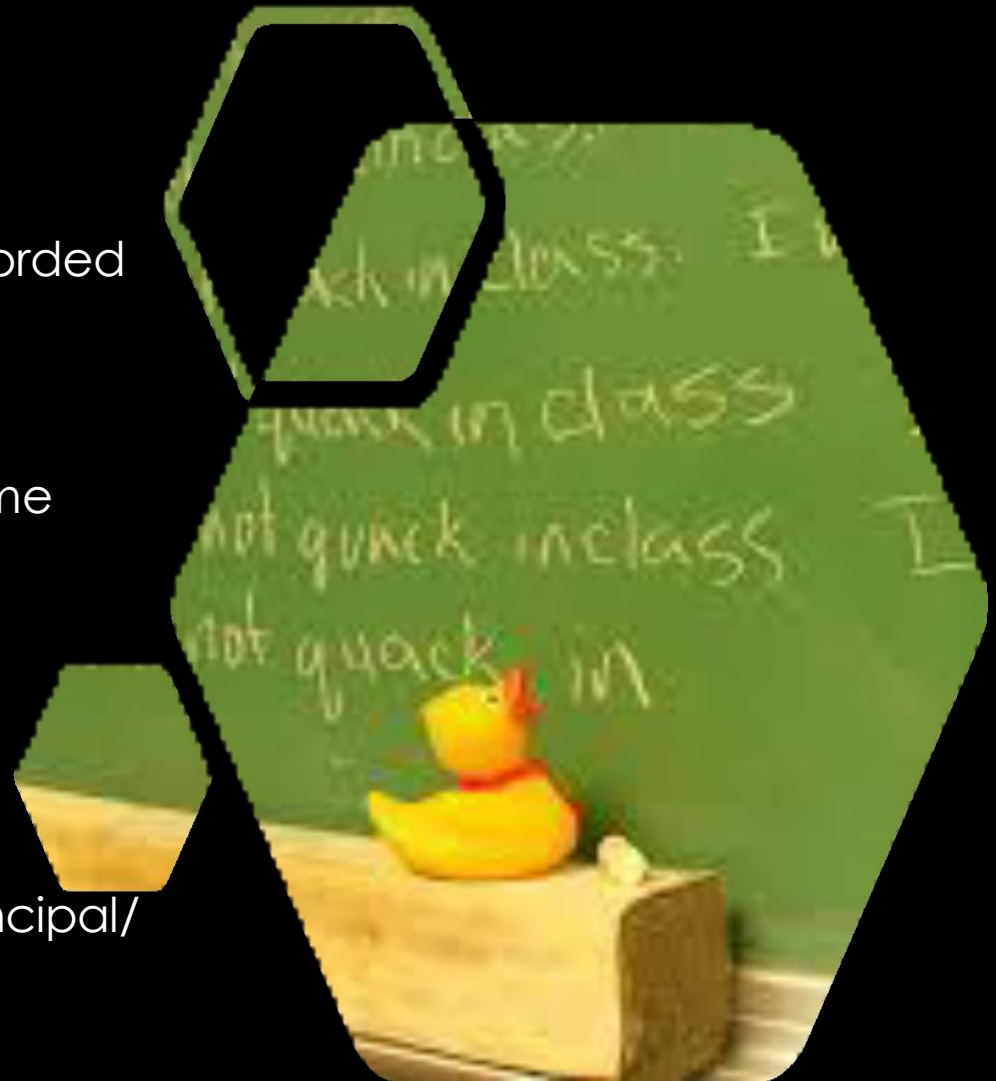
- Quiet word in class or on the corridors
- VS Ware Positive Behaviour recorded
- Extra classroom responsibilities
- Note in journal
- Green Cards
- Class Reward
- Attendance Awards
- Awards Evenings





# SANCTIONS

- Verbal Reprimand
- VS Ware Negative Behaviour Recorded
- Note in Journal/ Phone call home
- Write out/ Extra Work
- Detention- half an hour at lunchtime
- Blue Card
- Year Head Referral
  - Lunchtime detention
  - After school detention
  - report card
  - report card to Deputy Principal/  
Principal
  - Suspension



# COB AND ANTI BULLYING POLICY

- [Code-of-Behaviour.pdf](#)
- [Anti-Bullying\\_policy\\_2025\\_to\\_2026.pdf](#)

# SUPPORT SYSTEMS IN THE SCHOOL

- Teachers, SNAs and all staff members
- Class tutor
  - Every class will have a class tutor
  - Takes attendance in the morning
- Year Head
  - Meet with the year group at weekly assemblies
  - Discipline & caring role
- Guidance Counsellors
  - Ms. Joanne Deering & Ms. Sinead Delany
- Special Educational Teachers, Resource Teachers, SNAs and SEN Co-Ordinators
- Principal & Deputy Principals.

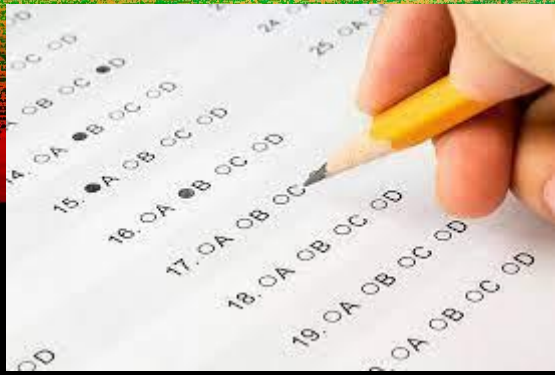


# AEN

Please email [office@stmarysds.ie](mailto:office@stmarysds.ie) with:

- Any details of support your son is receiving at primary level
- Any psychological assessments or any supporting documentation we should have
- Any concerns

We will liaise with primary schools but the information is best coming from home also just in case.



## Entrance Exams

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To be held in our school library.

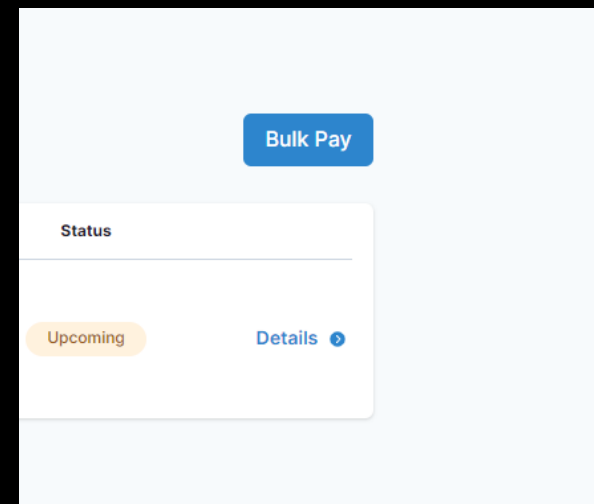
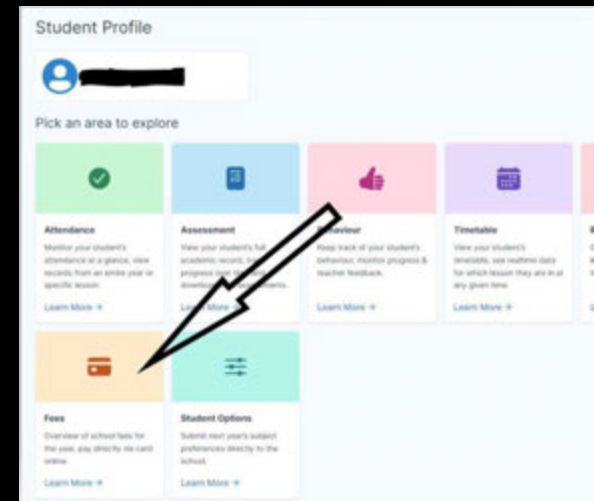
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CAT4  
standardised tests

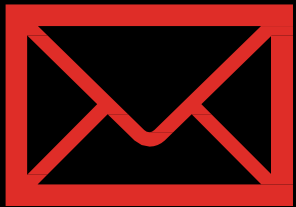
- 09:15 am to 12:30 pm
- Duleek, White Cross, Realt Na Mara, Donore May 27th
- SMPPS May 28th
- All others May 29th

# ADMINISTRATION COSTS

- Vsware app
- Select your son
- Clicking Fees will show the administration cost:  
€120 due by 28<sup>th</sup> March



# SCHOOL CONTACT



If you have any issues with vsware  
subject choices/ fees email:

[Office@stmarysds.ie](mailto:Office@stmarysds.ie)

# YOUR SON

- We want your son to be happy and healthy throughout his time in school.
- We want him to reach his full potential in anything he takes part in.
- Hard work, dedication and commitment is required
- It is a team effort - If we all work together these can be achieved.