

## SECONDARY COLLEGE

## Open Night 2023



Facts, Figures and Information for prospective 1st Year students and families, for school year 2024-2025



## Exploring Secondary Education Together

#### Meet our Senior Management Team

- Keith O Rahilly, Principal
- Mr. Mike Lavan, Deputy Principal
- Mr. David Ryan, Deputy Principal



And do some thinking at home together, as a family.....

See our Virtual Tour, School Prospectus, TY and Extra Curricular Photo Gallery, "Year in the Life of the Den" Video, this "Facts, Figures and Information" Slideshow....

and follow us on Facebook....
to get full information.

#### Enjoy tonight's Tour of the College

- Learn about our curriculum and extra curricular life
- View our facilities

#### Get to know some our School Community

- Meet Doireann and Séamus
- Talk with our Student Representatives
- Meet our teachers and support staff





## What is a "Salesian" School?

#### St. John Bosco



"Do you want to do a good deed?
Teach the young!
Do you want to do a holy thing?
Teach the young!
Truly, now and for the future, among holy things, this is the holiest."

Our founder, St. John Bosco (Don Bosco)

- Founded the Salesians of Don Bosco in Italy in 1859, as a response to the poverty and abandonment he witnessed during the Industrial Revolution. He named his new congregation after St. Francis de Sales, who was known as the "Gentleman Saint."
  - The order came to Pallaskenry in 1919
  - Three core values:
     Reason, Religion and Loving Kindness
  - Salesian Education's key "meta-FOUR":
     School, Home, Church and Playground



Students are at the heart of everything we do!

#### **Our Mission Statement:**

"Salesian Secondary College is a voluntary, catholic, secondary school under the trusteeship of the Salesians of Don Bosco. Our school dedicates itself to educational excellence taking into account the uniqueness and complexity of each individual pupil. We strive to create an atmosphere where pupils are happy and thrive in an environment imbued with St. John Bosco's three educational principles of Reason, Religion and oving Kindness."





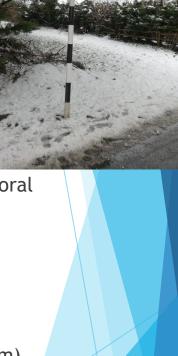
# Introducing Cian

and Grace,

5<sup>th</sup> Year students

## Numbers, numbers, numbers...

- 720 students in 6 Year Groups
- ► 130 places offered for 1<sup>st</sup> Year 2024-25, from 23 primary schools
- 500 acres of farmland
- 80 teachers in over 20 subject departments
- 9 SNAs
- 12 staff committees dedicated to school development: Wellbeing / Pastoral
   Care / Teaching and Learning / Environment and Sustainability /
   Attendance
- Administration, caretakers, qualified substitutes, coaches
- 8 or 9 class periods a day; Buses arrive for 9am and leave at 3.20 (or 4pm)
- 5 programmes (JC, TY, LC, LCA, LCVP)
- 3 "Den" specialist classes (0 places for 2024)
- Basketball court, tennis courts, sports hall, pitches, quad, handball alleys







## Learning in Salesian Secondary College



Salesian Secondary College: Recognised as a leader in the development of Teaching and Learning strategy in the Midwest.





## Junior Cycle: Focuses on skills for life

- resilience
- using language and numbers
- developing relationships
- dealing with conflict
- knowing myself
- being social
- being responsible
- being safe
- organising myself



- being reflective
- problem solving
- decision making
- goal setting
- being confident
- learning from mistakes
- presenting and speaking
- the digital age



## What does the Junior Cycle look like?

#### Compulsory

Irish (unless officially exempt: BRING CERT FROM PRIMARY SCHOOL)

English

Maths

Science

History

Geography

PE (short course)

SPHE (short course)

CSPE (short course)

## Current Options (Choose 3)

Business
Digital Media & Manufacturing
French
German
Graphics
Home Economics
Spanish
Music
Visual Art
Woodwork

#### Non Exam

Computers RE (includes Faith Formation) RSE



Senior Cycle: Two Options in Salesian Secondary

College

Junior Cycle (if successful after interview)

Leaving Certificate:

Vocational or Applied or Traditional

For students who do not wish to do TY:

Junior Certificate Leaving Certificate (as above)



#### SENIOR CYCLE

#### All students take:

- · Irish (unless Dept. of Ed. exempt)
- English
- Mathematics

#### And these Non- Exam Subjects:

- · Religious Education
- · Social, Personal and Health Education
- Guidance
- Physical Education

#### And choose 4 from:

- Accounting
- Agricultural Science
- Applied Mathematics
- · Art, Craft & Design
- Biology
- Business
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Construction Studies
- · Design & Communications Graphics
- French
- Geography
- German
- History
- Home Economics
- Music
- Physics
- Politics and Society
- Spanish
- · World of Work (LCVP Module

## Growing in Salesian Secondary College

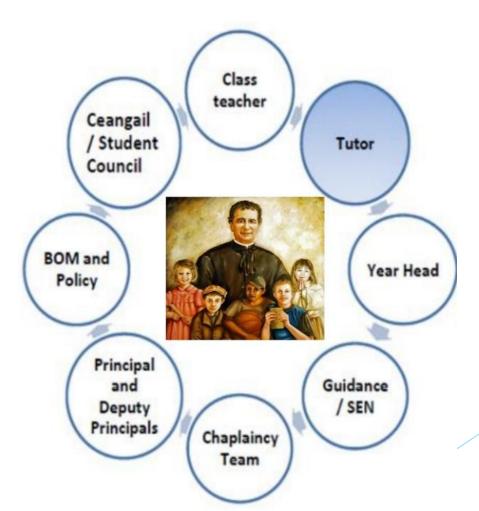






### Pastoral care of your child

Pastoral Care is the bedrock of all we do in Salesian Secondary College....



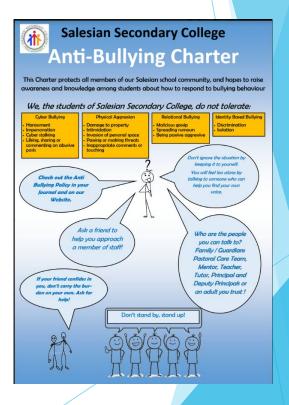




### Code of Behaviour for Students

- High standards of behaviour anticipated and encouraged
- Classroom management is based on positive relationships
- Anti Bullying Policy and Student Charter
- Safe Usage Policy
- Child Protection Policy









## Playing in Salesian Secondary College







### Extracurricular life in SSC

- Choir and Ensembles
- Musical Theatre
- Junk Kouture
- Hurling
- Camogie
- Gaelic Football
- Basketball
- Rugby
- Athletics
- Equestrian
- Soccer
  - **Cross Country**
  - Orienteering

- Games Room
- Green Schools
- Debating
- St. Vincent de Paul
- Gym / Fitness
- Ceangail
- Peer tutoring
- Gaisce
- Rowing
- Student Council
- Young Scientist
- Trips to Spain, France







### What's Next?





## Next step.....Central Applications



- Using the standard application form, place "1" beside Salesian Secondary College.
- Regrettably, The Den is at capacity, for 2024-25. Please contact your SENO.
  Students may be offered a MAINSTREAM place.
- ✓ Each applicant <u>must</u> identify 11 choices, no. 1 to 11, in order of preference. Incorrectly completed or incomplete forms will be returned to parents. One form per student.
- ✓ NB. <u>Full details</u> re legal guardianship of the child must be indicated on the form.
- Return completed form to us in Salesian Secondary College.
- Confirmation of receipt of the application form will be sent within a week of receipt of application.
- We send a copy of your application form to the Limerick Education Centre (LEC) for processing.



Pallaskenry, Co	. Limerick Post-Prim	ck Area ary Schools cation Form 2019/20	School Use Only  GDPR
Applicant Details	TIME A VENIENCE		
Surname:	OBRIEN	First Name:	MARY
Date of Birth:	01-01-2007	Gender:	FEMALE
P.P.S. Number:	1234567A.	Religion:	R.C.
Nationality:	IRISH	Parish in which you live:	PALLASKEN
Address: (all correspondence will issue to this address)	PACLASKE	MRY.	0.24
Primary School	PALLASKEM		WP86.
Father / Guardian Details		Mother / Guardian Details	

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1988-1994

1990-1996

the name of brothers or sisters who previously attended any of the schools listed overleaf.

Please provide details if parents/guardians previously attended any school listed overleaf:

#### The CAS Application Form

By submitting this application IWe hereby agree that the applicant student will take part fully in every aspect of the school curriculum and will follow the Code of Behaviour of the School. IWe have read and accept the Admission and Enrolment Policie of the relevant schools.				
Father's / Guardian's Signature	Mother's / Guardian's Signature			
Jon OBtien.	Ann O Brien			
Date: 01-10-2018	Date: 01-10-2018			
Liet of Limerick Area	a Post-Primary Schools			

of obtaining a place in one of the lower choices. By submitting this form a parent acknowledges that failure to identify a sufficient number of choices may result in your child not being offered any school place should the schools applied to be over-subscribed or should your child a minimum of nine schools are listed in order of your choice and parents are strongly advised to co-operate in this regard. Forms will be returned if 9 choices are not filled in. Schools will share the information for your preferences with other schools if relevant. Please note that

Please return the completed Application Form to the Principal at the Number 1 School of your choice by 12.30p.m. on Monday, 14th January 2019. Please enclose an A4 sized stamped self-addressed envelope.

Ardscoil Mhuire (girls), Corbally, Limerick.	9
Ardscoil Rís (boys), North Circular Road, Limerick.	
Castletroy College (co-ed), Newtown, Castletroy, Co. Limerick.	
Coláiste Chiaráin (co-ed), Croom, Co. Limerick.	8
Coláiste Mhichil (boys), Sexton Street, Limerick.	
Coláiste Nano Nagle (girls), Sexton Street, Limerick.	7
Crescent College Comprehensive S.J. (co-ed), Dooradoyle, Limerick.	6
Gaelcholáiste Luimnigh (co-ed, All Irish), Sir Harry's Mall, Limerick.	5
Laurel Hill Coláiste F.C.J. (girls, All Irish), South Circular Road, Limerick.	4
Laurel Hill Secondary School F.C.J. (girls), South Circular Road, Limerick.	4 3
Limerick Educate Together Secondary School (co-ed), Castletroy, Co. Limerick.  Current location: Fernbank, North Circular Road, Limerick	
Mungret Community College (co-ed), Mungret, Co. Limerick.	2
St. Clement's College (boys), South Circular Road, Limerick.	
St. Munchin's College (boys), Corbally, Limerick.	
Salesian Secondary College (co-ed), Pallaskenry, Co. Limerick	1.
Thomond Community College (co-ed), Moylish Park, Limerick	
Villiers Secondary School (co-ed, Fee Charging), North Circular Road, Limerick.	

#### Important notice regarding your data

Please note that the school of your first choice receives this form and has access to the data you have completed in respect of your child/ward and his/her school choices. A copy of the form and the data provided therein are also retained by Limerick Education Centre, for the purposes of administering this common application system. LEC records these data on a database and this information is retained for a period of three years. Please consult each school's GDPR policy for further information regarding their data.

If your child/ward does not receive the school of his/her first choice, the form and the data will be forwarded to the school(s) listed in order of preference. Please note that your data and your child's/ward's data will be shared as required with up to nine schools, in line

I consent to the school of my first choice and Limerick Education Centre sharing my data and the data in respect of my child/ward Mary OBren (name of child) with the other schools listed in the numbered preferences on this completed form.

I do not consent to the school of my first choice and Limerick Education Centre sharing my data and the data in respect of my child/ward \_\_\_\_\_ (name of child) with any other school listed on this form.

Signature of parent/guardian: Jom & Brien

If you do not provide your consent for the sharing of data between schools, your form will be submitted to the school of your first choice only and Limerick Education Centre. This may result in your child/ward not securing a place in a post-primary school in the Common Application Scheme area.





### What's next to do?

Please see school website and CAS website

- View Virtual Tour, Prospectus and Social Media presence
- Apply through CAS: by Monday 15th Jan 2024, 4pm
- Offers posted: Tuesday 30th January 2024
- Deadline for acceptance or refusal: Wednesday 7th February 2024, 12pm
- Common Registration Night for all participating secondary schools: Tuesday 20th February 2024

#### **Spring**

Assessment DaySubject Choice

#### Summer / New School Year

- Visits for vulnerable students
- Uniform Book list online
- Principal's letter / Calendar
- Assistance with book costs
- Induction in September
- Timetable in September











Thank you for considering our school.



Please also view our Prospectus, Virtual Tour, Photo Review of TY and Extra Curricular Activities, our Year in the Life of the Den Profile and our social media pages.

All are accessible through our website.

