

# Our Lady's Secondary School

Belmullet, Co. Mayo



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**Website:** [www.ourladysbelmullet.ie](http://www.ourladysbelmullet.ie)

**Type of School:** Boys and Girls School

**Number of Students:** 216 Students

## UNIFORM

**Trousers:** Grey trousers or grey skirt

**Shirt:** White polo neck or whiter shirt

**Jumper:** Black school jumper with crest

**Shoes:** Dark Shoes



## BRIEF STATEMENT

Our Lady's Secondary School has been to the fore of second level education in Erris since 1943. Over the years it has set out to provide as broad an education as possible to the students in its care. We put enormous effort into our work and into creating the friendly atmosphere that exists in our school where the uniqueness of each person is respected.

Our ever-expanding curriculum helps provide for a wider range of options for our students i.e. (TY) Transition Year, (LCA) Leaving Cert Applied, (LCVP) Leaving Cert Vocational Programme and (PLC) Post Leaving Cert. Our school has maintained the very high standards in education. While academic excellence is essential, the religious formation, pastoral care and happiness of our students are our priority. We have a well-established

pastoral care system within the school and there is a special concern for students who are new to the school community. We are also in the fortunate position of having a Chaplain, Counsellors and Home School Community Liaison (HSCL) available at the school.

## **FACILITIES**

- Multi Media Lab
- Library
- Gym
- Metalwork Technology Engineering Room
- Woodwork Technology Room
- Dress Design Room
- Religion Room
- Technical Graphics DCG
- Computer Drawing Room
- Computer Room
- Meditation Room
- Arts and Crafts Room
- Music and Drama Room
- Science Lab
- Home Economics
- Demonstration Room

## **CURRICULUM**

### **Junior Certificate**

#### **Core Subjects**

- Irish
- Mathematics
- Geography
- Religion
- English
- French
- History
- CSPE

#### **Optional Subjects**

- Business Studies
- Material Technology Wood
- Arts, Crafts and Design
- Music
- Science
- Material Technology Metal
- Home Economics

#### **Non-Examination Subjects**

- SPHE
- Careers
- Computers
- PE

### **Transition Year**

This is the year after the Junior Certificate, during which the student can take the opportunity to develop personally, develop skills and take a year out from the pressures of examinations and consider which path they wish to follow for the rest of their lives.

Student development is encouraged through sport, the arts, social action, critical thinking, various skills and teamwork. Core subjects are still essential elements of Transition Year. TY students also take courses in Road Safety, Mini-Company, Film-Making and the Young Social Innovators. Regular activities also include trips to Adventure Centres and to the Continent, as well as driving lessons, debates, personal development, workshops, excursions, fitness, self-defence courses, shared reading programmes in Belmullet Junior School, Hip-hop dancing to mention but a few. For many TY students the highlight is the Variety Concert at Christmas.

## **Leaving Certificate**

### **Core Subjects**

- Irish
- Mathematics
- English
- Link Modules

### **Optional Subjects**

- Biology
- Physics
- Construction Studies
- Design & Communication Graphics
- Accounting
- Art & Technology
- History
- Music
- Chemistry
- Engineering
- Technology
- Business Studies
- Home Economics
- French
- Geography

### **Non Examination Subjects**

- Religious Education
- Career Guidance
- PE
- Computing

## **EXTRA CURRICULAR**

### **Sports**

- Basketball
- Futsal
- Gaelic
- Soccer
- Swimming

## Academics

- Debating
- Drama
- Film-making
- Music
- Mini-companies
- Choir



Please feel free to refer to the school website for further information on the school.