

SCOIL DARA

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WEBSITE: <http://www.scoildara.ie>

TYPE OF SCHOOL: Mixed school, Day pupils

NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 842 students

UNIFORM

Boys

Trousers	Grey
Shirt	Blue with school tie
Jumper	Grey
Shoes	Black

Girls

Skirt	School Skirt
Shirt	White with school tie
Jumper	Wine
Shoes	Black



PE U

Black Shorts

Trainers

Black Tracksuit bottoms

BRIEF STATEMENT

Scoil Dara promotes a community of faith inspired by gospel values. The community of the school works in a holistic manner to ensure that dependence is gradually replaced by responsibility for self, society and the world.

The dignity to each student, staff member and parent is honoured and reflected in school policies and structures. While educational excellence is promoted, it is the needs of the learner that direct the development of the school. We engage with alternative approaches to education especially for those who are most disadvantaged. The school promotes a spirit of service and care.

Scoil Dara is a happy school where we aim to provide the best educational experience and developmental opportunities for our students. In Scoil Dara we value effort, hard work, respect, personal responsibility, kindness and collaboration. Through our website we want you to familiarise yourself with our school, its history, values and mission. We want to introduce you to our students, staff and Board of Management. In your browsing you will be briefed on our school policies, the different programmes we offer in the school and the range of subjects we provide for our students. We want to share our successes and celebrations with you.

CURRICULUM

Junior cycle

- Art, Craft, Design
- Business Studies
- Civic, Social and Political Education
- Classical Studies
- English
- Environmental and Social Studies
- French
- Gaeilge
- Geography
- German
- History
- Home Economics
- Materials Technology Wood
- Mathematics
- Metalwork
- Music
- Physical Education
- Religious Education
- Science
- Social, Personal and Health Education
- Technical Graphics
- Technology

Transition Year

Core Subjects: Irish, English, Maths, French or German, Religion, Physical Education, Health Education, I.C.T., Young Social Innovators, Public Speaking, Chemistry, Ag. Science, Biology, Young Scientist

Option Subjects: Spanish, Chinese, Cultural Studies, Art, Home Economics, Food Science, Friends for Life, Music, Enterprise, Metalwork, Woodwork, Community Care

Work Experience: While work experience is a mandatory part of transition year many find it is possibly the most beneficial and rewarding of the TY experiences. It serves to guide and inform students as they enter into the Senior Cycle and in the process of selecting subjects and eventually college courses.

Assessment in Transition Year

Our TY students are assessed using our new Credits system. This system endeavours to reward our students for not only their academic ability in exams but also their participation in class, project work, social work, group work and

work experience. Students will at years end be awarded a Pass, Merit or Distinction grade for their TY year.

Senior cycle

- Art, Craft, Design
- Business Studies
- Civic, Social and Political Education
- Classical Studies
- English
- Environmental and Social Studies
- French
- Gaeilge
- Geography
- German
- History
- Home Economics
- Materials Technology Wood
- Mathematics
- Metalwork
- Music
- Physical Education
- Religious Education
- Science
- Social, Personal and Health Education
- Spanish
- Technical Graphics
- Technology

FACILITIES

28 General Classrooms

3 Special Tuition Rooms

2 Computer Rooms with 24 computers in each room

Specialist Rooms

1 Art Room

3 Home Economics Rooms

2 Materials Technology – Metal Rooms

2 Materials Technology – Wood Rooms

Music Room

Music Practice Room

4 Science Laboratories

1 Technical Graphics Rooms

Large PE Hall

Fitness Studio

Library

Oratory

11 acres of Playing Pitches

3 Outdoor Basketball Courts

3 Tennis Courts

Cafeteria

EXTRACURRICULAR

Sports

All sports have a great contribution to make to a person's life.

We encourage sport in our school and we are very glad that so many students and staff participate in sport.

Thanks to the teachers of the school who give of their time and talents in promoting sport and providing opportunities for students to take part in sports, in particular in representing the school.

Gaelic Football

- Teams for boys and girls are entered annually in inter school competitions.

Basketball

- Teams for boys and girls are entered annually in inter school competitions.

Athletics

- While formal training is not generally provided in the school in athletics, students are entered each year in inter school competitions.

Rugby

- Although this sport is new to the school it enjoys very good popularity and is growing.

Soccer

- Although no teams were entered in the current 2009-2010 school year, in previous years teams were entered for boys and for girls' competitions.



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

