# St Mel's College

St Mel's Road, Longford



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**WEBSITE**: <u>www.stmelscollege.ie</u>

TYPE OF SCHOOL: Boys School

**NUMBER OF STUDENTS:** 500 Students

# **UNIFORM**

- Blue Jumper with school crest
- Blue Shirt
- School Tie
- Grey Trousers
- Black Shoes
- School Jacket with crest



#### **DAILY LIFE**

At St Mel's the daily schedule beings each day at 9.10am. Classes on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday finish at 4.05p.m. Classes on Wednesday finish at 15.00p.m.

# **FACILITIES**

- 3 x Science labs
- Woodwork Room
- Sports Hall
- 3 x Gaelic Football Pitches
- Technology Room
- 2 x Technical Graphics Room
- 2 x Computer Rooms
- 4 x Outdoor Handball Alleys
- 2 x Outdoor Basketball Pitches
- Study Hall
- Art Room

- Student Lockers
- School Chapel
- 25 x Classrooms
- Assembly Hall
- Canteen
- Career Guidance Office
- Parents Meeting Room
- Demonstration Room
- 4 x Gravel Soccer Pitches
- Weights and Training room
- Games Room

## **CURRICULUM**

To help students to achieve their potential, St. Mel's College offers a comprehensive curriculum and a diverse range of programmes. It is our goal to provide for the needs of all of all our students and to help them achieve success academically, socially and personally.

#### **Junior Cycle**

- Irish
- English
- Project Maths
- History
- Geography
- Science
- Business Studies
- French/German

- Materials Technology & Wood/Technical
  Graphics/Technology
- Religious Education
- Civic, Social & Political Education
- Art
- Social Personal & Health Education
- Computer Studies
- Physical Education

## SeniorCycle

- Irish
- English
- Project Maths
- Applied Maths
- History
- Geography
- Business
- Economics
- Accounting
- Biology

- Chemistry
- Physics
- Construction Studies
- Design and Communication Graphics
- French/German
- Art
- Computer Studies
- Physical Education
- LCVP

# **Transition Year**

The Transition Year programme has been in existence in St. Mel's College since 2008. The programme is optional within the school. Transition year is growing in strength every year. Our programme is based on the DES aims for the Transition Year Programme. Our programme calendar focuses on four main areas:

- Continuation of the core subjects
- Subject sampling for the leaving certificate programme
- Transition Year specific modules and subjects
- Once off calendar events

Within our school the core subjects of English, Irish, Maths and a Foreign Language are continued.

Pupils are given the opportunity to sample all the science subjects on offer in the school for Leaving Certificate (Biology, Physics and Chemistry). Business Subjects (Accounting, Economics and Business) Social Studies (History and Geography)

Leisure Studies, Construction Studies, Computers and Career Guidance are timetabled during the year.

#### Other Modules experienced in TY are:

- Participation in the Gaisce awards (Bronze medal).
- First Aid Course and exam (with certificate)
- Enterprise
- Self-defence
- Cookery
- Art
- Photography

- Driving Programme
- Performing Arts
- Debating
- Web Design.
- One day of Law and exam (with certificate)
- Mental Health Programme
- Health & Safety Course

- Various
  Educational outings
- Participation in the BT Young Scientist Competition
- Three weeks of work experience
- Community Work

## **EXTRACURRICULAR**

In the college we offer a wide range of extra-curricular activities that encourage students to discover and develop their interests and talents. Through sports teams, academic competitions and charitable work students are given the opportunity to enhance their experience of school life and enrich their personal development.

Some of the activities offered throughout the year include:

- Football
- Soccer
- Hurling
- Rugby
- Athletics
- Basketball
- BT Young Scientist
- Student Enterprise Awards
- Handball

- Fundraising for goal and other charities
- ISTA Science Quizzes
- Gaisce awards
- Sports Day
- Green Schools
- Carol Singing
- Hospice Coffee Morning
- English writing competitions

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