



## Modern, State-of-the-Art Educational Setting

- Fully-Equipped General Purpose Classrooms
- 5 Science Labs
- 2 Computer Suites
- 2 Home Economics Rooms
- Dress & Design Room
- 2 Art Rooms
- 3 Music Rooms
- 2 Woodwork Rooms
- Metalwork Room
- DCG Room
- Demonstration Room
- Library
- Medical Room
- Meeting Room
- Resource Centre - Special Education Classes: ASD Classrooms, Moderate General Learning Disability Classroom, Fully-Equipped Sensory Room, Life Skills Kitchen and Outdoor Soft Play Area
- Sports Hall
- Fully-Equipped Gym
- All-Weather Outdoor Sports Surfaces
- Handball Alley
- Large General Purpose Area and Canteen
- Facilities Management

## Extra and Co-Curricular Activities Available to Our Students

- Green Schools
- Gaisce
- Junk Kouture
- Global Citizenship
- Gaelbhreach
- Foreign Tours
- Choir
- Musical
- Christmas Shoebox Appeal
- International Léargas Programme
- International Student Exchange
- Field Trips
- St Vincent de Paul
- Student Enterprise Awards
- Eco Unesco
- Young Social Innovators
- Student Council
- Student Leaders
- Meditation Club
- Philosophy Club
- Art Club
- Chess Club
- Computer Club
- Instrumental Lessons
- Sports Clubs

## Sport at Tyndall College

- Athletics • Badminton • Basketball • Cross Country • Gaelic Football
- Handball • Hurling • Rowing • Soccer • Rugby



## Message from Our Principal

Thank you for taking the time to read this information booklet about Tyndall College. Although it is difficult to capture the entire picture of what happens in our school, for me one of the key elements of what we are about is preparing your child for their pathway in life.

From university to apprenticeships or directly into the world of work, we will work with parents and guardians to seek the best outcome for your child.

The spirit of Tyndall College is encapsulated in a large banner visible in our front entrance which states "Everyone is Welcome Here".

Gerry McGill, Principal



## What Parents/Guardians Have to Say about Tyndall College

*"Excellent communication with parents"*

*"Continuously supporting my son, making him feel welcome and happy to go to school every day"*

*"Welcoming. Encouraging. Believing in them"*

*"Listen to their needs... Focus on the person, not just the learning"*

*"Progressive school with wonderful staff... Inclusive"*

*"They motivate the students to get the best out of them"*

## What Inspectors Have to Say about Tyndall College

*"Highly effective learning experiences for students"*

*"Teachers provided a range of student-focused and enjoyable learning activities that engaged students"*

*"Highly effective collaborative group work"*

*"Teachers placed a focus on the development of students as self-directed learners. Very good quality teaching and learning"*

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## Why Choose Us?

- We promote the holistic development of all students
- We value the student voice
- We believe that every student matters and offer a genuinely supportive environment where young people can learn and thrive, and where wellbeing and student welfare is of key importance
- We are an inclusive, non-denominational, multi-belief school, understanding and respecting the diverse beliefs and cultures of our whole school community equally
- We provide a broad range of extra and co-curricular activities to suit the needs and interests of all students
- We deliver an excellent learning support and guidance programme
- We offer state-of-the-art facilities including 2 computer suites, 5 Science labs, 2 Home Economics rooms, 2 Art rooms, 3 Music rooms, a library, fully-equipped gym, a full-sized sports hall and resource centre, to mention a few
- We boast a vibrant, enthusiastic and dedicated teaching staff who are committed to helping students achieve their potential
- We offer one of the widest curriculum choices in the region



## First Year in Tyndall College

- Thorough supportive induction programme that starts from Sixth Class and runs throughout First Year
- First Year students engage in a taster programme. This gives them the opportunity to sample all subjects before selecting a reduced amount for their Junior Cycle. Subjects included in the taster programme are: Art, Music, Home Economics, Business Studies, Woodwork, Metalwork, Technical Graphics, Italian, Spanish, French
- All students participate in the My Friends Youth Skills for Life programme
- A student mentoring scheme is in place to help First Year students adapt to life in secondary school
- Lunchtime clubs are available, including access to the School Library
- Instrumental music lessons are available to First Year students at a reduced cost. These include flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, guitar and drums
- Free breakfast club and subsidised lunch
- Low cost assisted study programme after school
- Book rental scheme
- School start time is 8.45am and classes last for one hour each
- Uniform:
  - Tyndall College green jumper with Tyndall College crest (First – Third Year Students) Tyndall College blue jumper with Tyndall College crest (TY – Sixth Year Students)
  - White shirt
  - Navy trousers or Tyndall College patterned skirt
  - Black shoes (no runners or trainers)
  - For PE: Tyndall College crested PE t-shirt, navy crested tracksuit bottoms, half zip tracksuit top (all ordered through the school) and white-soled trainers or runners

## Studying at Tyndall College

JUNIOR CYCLE	SENIOR CYCLE
<p><b>First Year:</b> Tyndall College offers a taster programme to all students in First Year. This provides students with the opportunity to learn many new skills and helps them make better informed subject choices for Second Year.</p> <p>In <b>Second and Third Year</b> students will study subjects from the following: English, Irish, Maths, Computer Studies, Civic Social and Political Education (CSPE), Physical Education (PE), Social Personal and Health Education (SPHE), Art, Craft and Design, Business Studies, French, Geography, History, Home Economics, Italian, Metalwork, Music, Religious Education, Science, Spanish, Technical Graphics, Woodwork.</p>	<p>This is a two-year programme where students will study from the following subjects: English, Irish, Maths, Career Guidance, Physical Education, Relationships and Sexuality Education (RSE), Accounting, Agricultural Science, Art, Biology, Business, Chemistry, Construction Studies, Design and Communication Graphics, Engineering, French, Geography, Home Economics, Italian, LCVP*, Music, Physics, Religious Education, Spanish.</p>
<p><b>TRANSITION YEAR</b></p> <p>This is a one-year optional programme taken after Junior Cycle and before the two-year Leaving Certificate Programme. Students get the opportunity to sample a wide range of subject areas, engage in trips away and fun activities and gain useful work experience, which offers students an insight into the real working world.</p>	<p><b>*Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme (LCVP)</b></p> <p>The LCVP is similar to a standard Leaving Certificate but with a strengthened vocational dimension. It is completed as part of the Leaving Certificate along with the other subjects you choose. It can be used for points as part of the CAO system.</p>
	<p><b>Leaving Certificate Applied (LCA)</b></p> <p>This is a two-year Leaving Certificate available to students who wish to follow a practical Leaving Certificate Programme with a vocational focus. It places particular emphasis on preparation for the world of work and life-long learning. Work experience is a significant component of the programme.</p>

