



St Louise's Comprehensive College



Extra Curricular Policy

"In partnership with parents, guardians, staff, governors and pupils St Louise's promotes excellence in learning and teaching within a Catholic, Vincentian, Comprehensive ethos"

INTRODUCTION

St Louise's is committed to the creation of opportunities for students to develop their talents, interests and skills both within and outside the classroom. The enrichment opportunities that our Clubs offer play a pivotal role in character building and leadership development. They reflect the value system of the school which seeks to develop each student intellectually, spiritually, emotionally and socially within our Catholic, Vincentian ethos. Clubs operate before school, at lunchtime after school and at weekends. This allows all our young people to participate in a myriad of activities and use all their gifts to the full.

Clubs in St Louise's

Our menu of clubs and enrichment will continue to evolve over time as we plan for and respond to our pupils needs within the context of our mission statement. The current list of Clubs consists of:

Sports and Physical Activity:

Athletics	Canoeing	Keep Fit	Soccer	Trampolining
Basketball	Cheer Leading	Netball	Table Tennis	
Camogie	Gaelic Football	Rounders	Tennis	

Music:

Guitar Club	Junior Choir	Religious Music	Traditional Music
Instrumental Tuition	Orchestra	Senior Choir	Voice Coaching

Award Bearing Courses

President's Award

Subject Based Clubs

Ecological Club	Irish Club	Geography Club	History Club
French Club			

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics)

Mathematics	Science	Technology
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The Performing and Creative Arts

Art Club,	Craft Club	Drama Club	Poetry Club
Book Editing	Dance Club,	Handwriting Club	Reading Club
Dance Academy			

The World of Media and Personal Development:

Bar Competition	Movie Club	Photography Club
Debating Society	Newsletter Writing Team	Rotary
Public Speaking Team	School Council	School Magazine

Stretching Out the Hand of Friendship

Marillac Society	SERVE	St Vincent de Paul	Trocaire
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School Trips

The College organises a broad range of local and international trips for our students. These are designed to meet student interests and developmental needs. The destinations change as our staff respond to the pupil voice and create ongoing opportunities for personal enrichment,

Expectations of Staff

- All clubs must be grounded in St Louise's value system.
- All departments are encouraged to establish subject specific Clubs.
- Form tutors are expected to encourage their pupils to join Clubs in order to develop life skills and enhance learning.
- All form teachers will keep a record on their pastoral files of the extra curricular involvement of their pupils.
- Membership of Clubs will be monitored regularly by the year team and promoted at assembly.
- Membership of clubs is tracked at whole school level. It forms an integral part of the Review process with the Principal and is reported to the Board of Governors as part of the Indicators of Excellence Self Evaluation Report
- Enrichment activities enhance the personal career plans of pupils and form a necessary part of all CVs in a competitive employment market
- Staff who wish to establish new Clubs are expected to consult with Miss McHenry, Principal.
- Staff who wish to organise a school trip must follow the agreed Policy on Trips.