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Welcome to Moyle Park College – a Catholic School in the Marist Tradition

Welcome to Moyle Park College and thank you for considering our school for your son. Moyle Park offers a holistic education upholding the Christian values and traditions of the Marist Brothers who established the school in 1957. We pride ourselves on providing a welcoming supportive environment where students are encouraged to strive to achieve their goals.

We offer a range of subjects and a number of co-curricular clubs, such as a Homework Club, Coding Club, Evening Study among others. We are committed to achieving a balance between the academic, social, cultural, spiritual and physical components of education.

We provide a wide range of extra-curricular activities and projects and have a range of support structures in place to guide your son on his educational journey.

A comprehensive induction programme is in place to ease the transition from Primary school to Moyle Park College. You, as parents are invited to join us as partners in the education of your son. First Year students are mentored by our Marist Student Leaders and our Student Council and are guided through their journey in Secondary school. We have a dedicated teaching staff who strive to ensure that each child reaches their potential.

Together we will work to ensure that your son develops a range of skills and strives to achieve his potential in accordance with the school motto 'Respice Finem'. In Moyle Park we want our students to become confident, caring individuals, capable of making decisions and enriching their lives and the lives of others.

This prospectus provides information of interest to prospective students and parents. I hope that it will help you in the important decision that you and your son have to make. I wish to extend a warm welcome to you and invite you to contact the school if you wish to discuss any issue relating to your son.

Niamh Cahalane,

Principal



Our Mission Statement

The management and teaching staff of Moyle Park College, in co-operation with parents, are committed to the provision of a broadly based education. Working together as a school community we aim to:

- Provide a Catholic education in the best possible environment to cater for the cultural, educational, moral, physical, religious, social, linguistic and spiritual values and traditions of all its students.
- We show special concern for the disadvantaged and we make every effort to ensure that the uniqueness and dignity of each person is respected, and responded to through the Pastoral care system in the College.
- We realise too, that we must cater for the changing needs of today's world and, towards that end, we frequently review our various programmes.
- Being keenly aware of the ever-increasing effect of outside influences on the lives of our students, we are even more concerned to maintain Catholic values and practices.
- The faith development of our students is given priority through an extensive and creative religious education programme. All students are expected to attend religious education classes. We have a dedicated Sacred Space for prayer and reflection.

At Moyle Park College we aspire to educate students for:

Personal Integrity

Helping them to develop a core value system; challenging them to live these values in a community context.

Self-Worth and Self Esteem

Which includes recognising the intrinsic worth of self and others; by giving experience of success, academic or otherwise; maximising opportunities for students to develop skills, aptitudes and abilities.

Community and Social Responsibility

By developing their sense of personal accountability to self and others.

Participation

By maximising the appropriate involvement of all parents, students, teachers and management in the school community.

Justice and Honesty

By developing in students critical understanding and a sense of responsibility for the community and the universal common good.

Independence and Freedom

By developing in students the capacity to think independently and to have the self-confidence to manage the future, (work, relationship etc), in an interdependent way knowing that each person's action affects others.

Wonder

So that they have a sense of awe and a questioning stance about self, life and the created universe.



The School Curriculum at Moyle Park College

Moyle Park College enjoys a reputation for outstanding academic results. A broad and comprehensive curriculum affords each student the opportunity to identify his academic strengths and interests.

Underpinning the new Junior Cycle are a set of principles, key skills, and statements of learning. The Junior Cycle will place the student at the centre of the learning process. Your child will have access to a varied curriculum of knowledge, understanding, skills and values. The eight principles forming the framework of the Junior Cycle are as follows:

1. Learning to learn
2. Choice and flexibility
3. Quality
4. Creativity and Innovation
5. Engagement and Development
6. Continuity and Development
7. Inclusion Education
8. Wellbeing

Eight Key skills permeate across the entire curriculum.

Through engaging with the key skills students will:

- be more actively engaged with learning
- take ownership of their learning
- have a critical engagement with digital technology
- be encouraged to problem solve and think critically and creatively

A student entering First Year will experience all Junior Cycle subjects through their new specifications.

We are part of the TA21 Programme. TA21 is an international programme run in conjunction with Trinity College aimed at encouraging improved participation in third level education.

Junior Cycle

Compulsory Subjects (Nine subjects)	Optional Subjects (Choice of two)
Irish	French
English	Spanish
Maths	Graphics
Science	Business Studies
History	Visual Art
Geography	Engineering
Religion	Wood Technology
SPHE (Social, Personal Health Education)	Music
CSPE (Civil, Social and Personal Education)	
PE Well Being	
Life Skills	
Digital Media Literacy	
Guidance	





Senior Cycle

The Senior Cycle Programme in Moyle Park College comprises:

- Transition Year
- Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme
- Leaving Certificate Applied Programme
- Leaving Certificate Established

Compulsory Subjects (Four subjects)	Optional Subjects (Choice of four)
Irish	French
English	Spanish
Maths	Accounting
Religion	Business
	Construction Studies
	Engineering
	Chemistry
	Biology
	Physics
	History
	Economics
	Art
	Geography
	DCG
	P.E.

In addition, students have classes in Physical Education, Careers and Guidance, SPHE (Social Personal Health Education) and Computers.





Extra-Curricular Activities

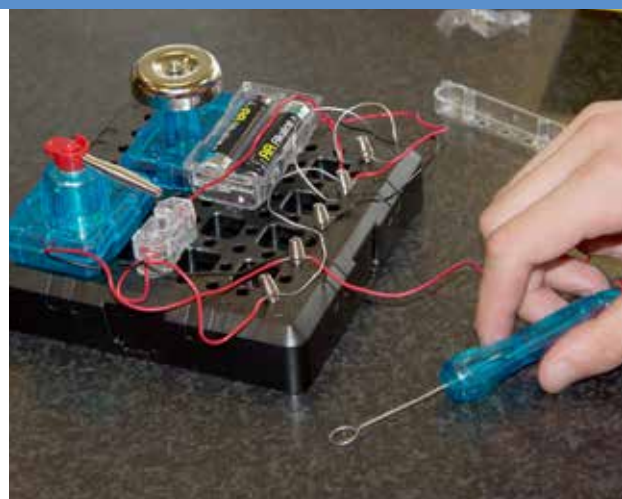
All students are encouraged to participate in the wide-range of extra-curricular activities on offer in Moyle Park College. These include both sporting and community based projects such as charity drives. A sample of activities on offer is included below:

Clubs

- ✓ Art
- ✓ Boxing
- ✓ Coding
- ✓ Woodwork
- ✓ Music & Drama
- ✓ Homework

Sports

- ☆ Soccer
- ☆ Basketball
- ☆ Hurling
- ☆ Gaelic Football
- ☆ Soccer
- ☆ Rugby
- ☆ Ski Trips
- ☆ Educational Trips (home and abroad)
- ☆ Table Tennis)



Support Services and Facilities

Pastoral Care

The dignity, welfare and happiness of all our students is at the heart of Moyle Park College. Each year group is assigned a Year Head and each class is assigned a Form Tutor. The Form Tutor oversees the academic progress and general wellbeing of the respective form class.

Learning Support

There is a well-established Special Education Needs Department in Moyle Park College. This supports students with special educational needs to enable them to reach their full potential.

Scholarship and Awards Scheme

Incoming first years are invited to participate in a scholarship competition. We also engage in the Mensa Programme for gifted children and a mentoring programme is in place to guide these students on their way.

Career Guidance and Counselling

In first year the Career Guidance counsellor advises and assists students to make the transition from primary school to secondary school. Senior Marist Leaders and Student Council Members mentor incoming First Year students and help them in the transition from Primary to Secondary school.

Library

The college has a well-stocked library for students. The library provides a range of learning opportunities for students. It also serves as a learning space for students to do independent work, research materials and to host special events such as author visits and poetry workshops.

Computer Rooms

There are two computer rooms and eight laptop trollies available for IT, Digital Media Literacy, research and project based work.

Specialist Rooms and Science Laboratories

There are four Science laboratories and specialist rooms for Art, Technical Graphics/DCG, Woodwork and Metalwork. All classrooms are equipped with digital projectors.

Supervised Study

The college operates a programme of after school study for students from second year upwards. A fee is charged for this service.

Academic Tracking for Second and Fifth Year students

Student progress is tracked and monitored and students are encouraged to engage in their own learning while developing a consistent work ethic.

Canteen

A canteen service is available for all students. The canteen has a healthy eating policy and encourages all students to look after their wellbeing.

Lockers

Lockers are available to rent. Lockers provide students with a safe and convenient place to store their equipment.

Sacred Space

We have a 'sacred space' which is used to provide a quiet reflective escape for staff and students.

Breaks

Students are required to remain on site during the breaks. No student is allowed down the village. Students are encouraged to engage in activities during lunchtime.

Sports Facilities

Moyle Park College is situated on a very extensive campus and offers varied learning opportunities for the students. All students are encouraged to engage in the activities.

General Information

School Uniform

There is a junior and a senior uniform. The junior uniform consists of a blue jumper (available only from the School Wear House on Monastery Road), mid grey trousers, grey shirt, black shoes with leather uppers (runners are not acceptable).

School Day

Monday and Tuesday are both 9 period days with classes starting at 8.30 am and concluding at 3.40 pm. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday are 8 period days with classes starting at 8.30 am and concluding at 3.00 pm. Class periods are 40 minutes in duration.

Enrolment Assessment

All students offered places at the college will be invited to attend for assessment in February. The purpose of the assessment is to identify the needs of students.

First Year Classes

All classes are mixed ability as per the new Junior Cycle.

Partnership with Parents

There is an active Parents Council which works with the Principal on the future development of the college. All parents are members of the Parents' Association and may attend the Parents' Association AGM each September/October.





Our First Year in Moyle Park College

There are many different subjects to choose from, like French, Engineering, Spanish, Graphics, Wood Technology, Visual Art, Business and Music. They are all great subjects so don't hesitate to pick the one you really want.

Something first year has taught us is that you have to focus, to keep studying and to keep evolving. If you make the right choices for the 5-6 years you're here for, you will make great strides.

Moyle Park is a place where you learn how to develop, in relationships, intelligence, perseverance, respect and most of all, to get you ready for your future. Your friends, family and teachers are your biggest supporters and will help you along your journey towards adulthood.

Saint Joseph's Boys' N.S.

During your 6 years in Moyle Park you will have Christmas and Summer exams which are based on what you learned throughout the whole school year. The good thing about it is that we end school at the end of May, meaning we have an extra month for our Summer holidays.

On my first day of school I was nervous and scared of going to a bigger school. When I look back now there was no point in stressing and panicking because the teachers will help you and are there whenever you need them. For example, if you need help finding your classroom, if you need someone to talk to or even if you're struggling with anything at all there is always someone there to support you. I'm really enjoying Moyle Park and hopefully you will too.

Sacred Heart National School

I am a first year student here in Moyle Park College and I have many reasons for coming here to this school. The people are really nice, the grounds are beautiful and the best part for me about going from primary to secondary here in Moyle Park were the subject options. All in all, I have really enjoyed my first year in Moyler.

Talbot Senior N.S.

I have learned lots of new things since I came here and I have made lots of new friends. It's been so much fun in every class and the subjects have been so much more fun than they were in primary school.

My favourite subjects are either science, music, geography and history. History is cool because we learned about a lot more stuff in that than we did in 5th and 6th class. My favourite topics in history were the mesolithic and the middle stone age. I also enjoyed learning about volcanoes in geography and in science I liked learning about space.

Clonburris N.S.

People usually think secondary school is scary and challenging. What I have learned over the course of first year is that if you just try your best and try new things it can be fun and interesting. Moyle Park College offers lots of fantastic subjects. First year is a great time to experiment with new things. Teachers and form teachers are always there to support you and help you with everything. I have made so many new friends in my first year here.

St. Ronans N.S.

Application Procedure

Application Forms, Admission Policy and Maps of the parishes of Clondalkin and Srulleen are available to download from the school website www.moyleparkcollege.ie

Application forms and all necessary documents (photocopy of birth cert and school reports) must be submitted by post or hand to arrive at the office in Moyle Park College on or before the closing date outlined on the application form.

All applications are reviewed and processed by the Admissions Committee in accordance with the Admissions Policy. The Board of Management will meet to consider the report of the Admissions Committee and to decide on offers of places.

Parents will be advised by post regarding an offer of a place in First Year 2022-2023. **Parents are then required to attend a Confirmation of Enrolment Meeting to confirm acceptance of a place.**

The Confirmation of Enrolment Meetings will be held in November. Parents will be asked to sign a form accepting the offer of a place and acceptance of the Code of Behaviour and College ethos. Parents will also be invited to pay the registration fee at this meeting (€130).

The form will also state that applicants who fail to return the form on or before the closing date will not be guaranteed a place in Moyle Park College.

It is recommended that you read our Admissions Policy which is available on our website at www.moyleparkcollege.ie. Any offer of a place at the college is contingent on conforming with that which is laid down in the Admissions Policy.

Consequently the return of the application form by the due date is not in itself any guarantee of an offer of a place. For further clarification, please contact the College at info@moyleparkcollege.com.





Moyle Park College

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