CORK EDUCATE TOGETHER
SECONDARY SCHOOL

Calendar, Structure of Studies and Weekly Timetable 2017/18

Dear parents/guardians and students,

Please find the following for your information:

1. School Calendar

First Day of School: Tuesday 29th August (Scheduled deployment of iPads)

October 2017 mid-term break

We will close from Monday 30th October 2017 to Friday 3rd November 2017 inclusive.

Christmas 2017

We will close on Friday 22nd December 2017, which will be the final day of the school term. We shall will re-open on Monday 8th January 2018.

February 2018 mid-term break

We will close from Monday 12th February 2018 to Friday 16th February 2018 inclusive unless changes are required as part of contingency arrangements to make up for time lost due to unforeseen school closures e.g. snow days.

Where contingency arrangements are required the Board of Management may reduce the length of the February mid-term break by remaining open, up to and including Wednesday 14th February 2018.

St Patrick's Day 19th

March- School closed for St Patrick's Day Bank Holiday

Easter 2018

We will close on Friday 23rd March 2018, which will be the final day of the school term, unless changes are required as part of contingency arrangements to make up for time lost due to unforeseen school closures. Where contingency arrangements are required the

Board of Management may reduce the length of the Easter break by remaining open, up to and including Wednesday 28th March 2018. We shall re-open on Monday 9th April 2018.

May Day 7th May The school will be closed for the May Day Bank Holiday.

Final Day of the School Year The final day of the school year shall be Friday 1st June.

2. Structure of Studies: First Year

Subjects	Hour-long Periods per week	Duration	Total
Core Curriculum			
English	3	All year	
Gaeilge	3	All year	
Maths	3	All year	
Science	3	All year	
Spanish	3	All year	
History	2	All year	24
Geography	2	All year	
CSPE	1	All year	
SPHE	1	All year	
PE	1	All year	
Information technology	1	All year	
Ethical education	1	All year	
Taster courses			+
Art	2	11 week block	
Music	2	11 week block	4 periods per week x 3 11 week blocks
Technology	2	11 week block	
Technical Graphics	2	11 week block	
Home Economics	2	11 week block	
Business Studies	2	11 week block	

3. Structure of Studies: Second Year

Subjects	Hour-long Periods per week	Total
Core Curriculum		
English	3	
Gaeilge	3	
Maths	3	
Science	3	
Spanish	2	
History	2	24
Geography	2	Hours
CSPE	1	
SPHE	1	
PE	1	
PE through Spanish	1	
Digital Literacy	1	
Ethical Education	1	
Plus 2 options from the following list:*		
Art		
Music		
Business	2x2	4 Hours
Technology		
Technical Graphics		
Home Economics		
Total		28 hours
*Please note that once preferences are expressed, we shall endeavour to meet students' wishes. This may not be possible in all cases however.		

4. Structure of the School Week

Times	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
08:30	Period 1	Period 1	Period 1	Period 1	Period 1
09:30	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5	Period 6
10:30	**Short Break**	**Short Break**	**Short Break**	**Short Break**	**Short Break**
10:45	Period 3	Period 3	Period 3	Period 3	Period 3
11:45	Period 4	Period 4	Period 4	Period 4	Period 4
12:45	**Lunch**	**Lunch**	**Lunch**	**Lunch**	**End of school day**
13:25	Period 5	Period 5	Period 5	Period 5	
14:25	Period 6	Period 6	Period 6	Period 6	
15:25	**End of school day**	**End of school day**	**End of school day**	**End of school day**	

Notes:

Classes are 1hr in length, not 40 mins
1 hr classes allow greater depth for discussions, project work, practicals etc
1 hr classes simplify the school day, especially for 1st years experiencing secondary for the first time
The short break is 15 mins long
The lunch break is 40 mins long