

# WEXFORD CBS CAREER FAIR 2024

**WHEN:**  
**THURSDAY MARCH 14TH**

**WHERE:**  
**WEXFORD CBS GYM**

**WHO:**  
**TY, 5TH, 6TH YEAR STUDENTS &  
PAST PUPILS**

**TIME:**  
**19:00 - 21:00**



**WEXFORD CBS  
GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT  
IN CONJUNCTION WITH**



**Wexford CBS  
Past Pupils' Association**

Thomas Street, Wexford | Established 2020



# COLÁISTE ÉAMONN RÍS

## SUBJECT CHOICE

**Leaving Cert Class of 2026**



Wexford CBS

# OUTLINE

- How Subject Choice works in Coláiste Éamonn Rís?
- Important points to be aware of when choosing subjects for the Leaving Certificate.
- Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme (LCVP).



# Which Subjects?

**Irish, English, Maths.**

4 Other Subjects.

- Level - Higher/Ordinary.
- College Requirements.
- Course Requirements.

# Subjects for Senior Cycle

18 subjects on offer

Choose any FOUR

# Optional Subjects

1. Accounting
2. Art
3. Applied Maths
4. Biology
5. Business
6. Chemistry
7. Agricultural Science
8. Music
9. Physics
10. Construction Studies
10. 11. Design & Communication Graphics (DCG)
12. French
13. German
14. Geography
15. History
16. Classical Studies
17. P.E.
18. Economics

# Making a Wise Choice

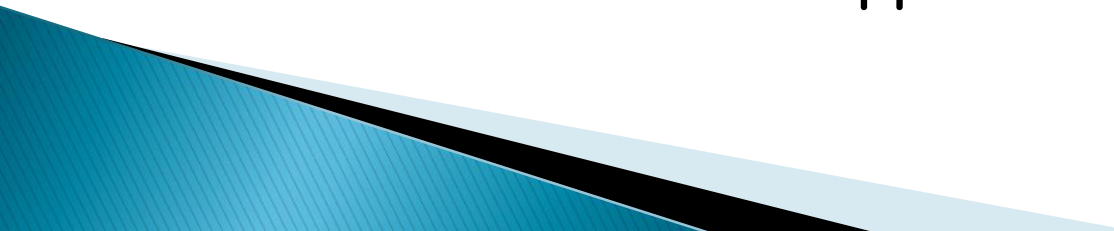
- What subject is your child most interested in?
- What subject are they likely to be best at?
- What subjects will they need? Irish, Maths, English, Language etc.
- Balanced choice of subjects - projects, workload, etc.

# How to Choose

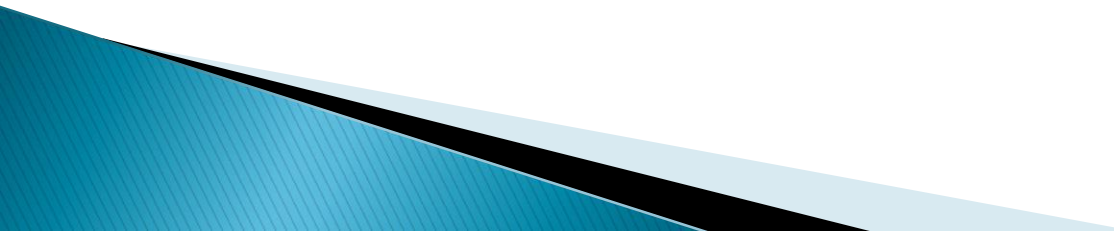
- Know what you want to do - Research and choose accordingly
- No idea what you want to do- Include a Science and a Third Language
- Talk to teachers, family, friends
- Friends Subjects- Avoid choosing a subject just because a friend is doing it



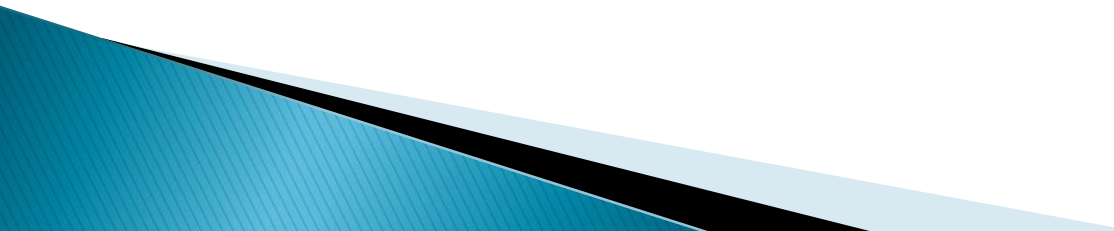
# Different Stages of help Students receive for Subject Choice

- ▶ CAT's - Aptitude Test
  - ▶ REACH+ - Interest Profiler Test
  - ▶ Subject Option Booklets
  - ▶ Career Guidance Classes - Course & career research
  - ▶ One to One Guidance Appointments
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# 3 main hurdles to Third Level Education (Entry)

1. **Matriculation Requirements /College Entry Requirements/Basic Entry Requirements**
  2. **Faculty Subject Requirements (Need a certain subject and grade)**
  3. **Points (Best 6 in one sitting)**
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# MATRICULATION

- ▶ All colleges set down minimum requirements sometimes called matriculation requirements or entry requirements
  - ▶ In most cases these specify ENGLISH and MATHS at a certain grade
  - ▶ Recognised colleges of NUI require almost all applicants to have passed IRISH and a LANGUAGE from their matriculation programme
  - ▶ There are always exceptions to this so students need to do their own research!
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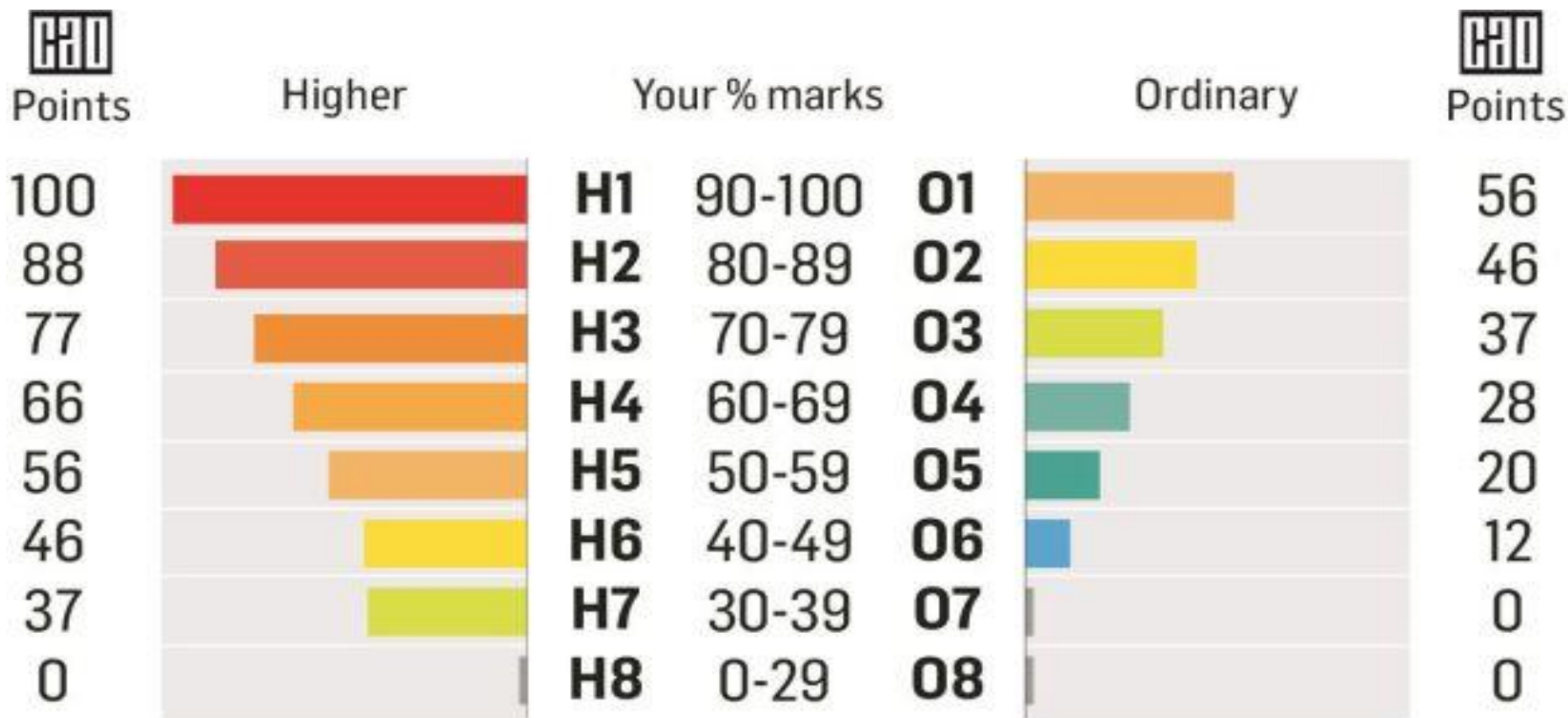
# What You Need for Third Level



## College (or Basic) Requirements.

6 subjects - 2 at Higher (H5) and 4 at Ordinary (O6) for majority of Level 8 Honours Degrees

5 passes (O6/H7) in Leaving Certificate including Maths and English for Level 6/7 courses



**+25** Bonus points for H1-H6 maths

LCVP link modules

Distinction 66

Merit 46

Pass 28

# COLLEGES REQUIRING MODERN LANGUAGE

- ▶ N.U.I. Colleges and NUI Recognised Colleges Only - UCC, UCD, NUIM/MU, NUIG, RCSI
- ▶ Shannon College of Hotel Management & St. Angela's College Sligo (Home Ec.)
- ▶ Not a requirement for every course - <https://www.nui.ie/college/entry-requirements.asp>
- ▶ Modern Language required for **Cadets** in Army



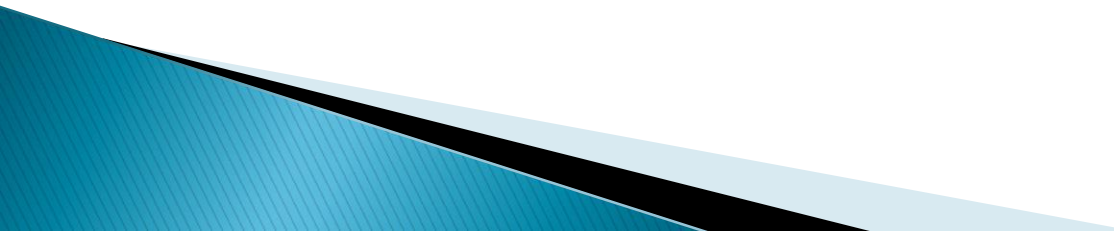
# Modern Language not Required for:

- ▶ Nursing
- ▶ Science
- ▶ Engineering
- ▶ Agriculture

In **any** College



# Some colleges not requiring a Modern Language

- T.C.D.
  - D.C.U.
  - T.U.D
  - U.L.
  - *Primary School Teacher Training Colleges*
  - S.E.T.U
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# Course Requirements

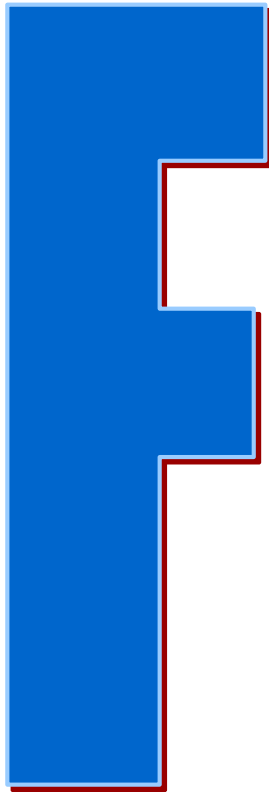
The Faculty (or Course)  
Requirements.

For example...

H4 Higher Irish for Primary  
Teaching

H4 Higher Maths for  
Engineering Level 8

H4 Higher Chemistry Dietician



# POINTS

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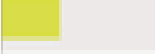
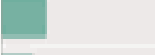





Best six subjects in one sitting of the  
Leaving Certificate

# L.C.V.P.

- ▶ An additional Subject/Optional/Possibly 8<sup>th</sup> Subject
- ▶ Good idea for students with a language exemption
- ▶ Two classes per week (Computer room)
  
- ▶ Preparation for world of work:
  - Work Experience
  - Enterprise Education
  - Reports
  - Interview
  - Exam in May



# L.C.V.P.

Points	Higher	Your % marks	Ordinary	Points
100		H1 90-100 01		56
88		H2 80-89 02		46
77		H3 70-79 03		37
66		H4 60-69 04		28
56		H5 50-59 05		20
46		H6 40-49 06		12
37		H7 30-39 07		0
0		H8 0-29 08		0

**+25** Bonus points for H1-H6 maths

LCVP link modules  Distinction 66  Merit 46  Pass 28

## THE LCVP POINTS SCALE

Percentage	Points	LCVP Grade
80 -100%	66	Distinction
65 -79%	46	Merit
50 -64%	28	Pass

# Three main decisions...

- Total Number of subjects to study – 7 or 8? (LCVP)
- The actual subjects (4 choice)
- Levels



# Research

Entry requirements for Third Level courses vary from course to course so please **refer to the relevant literature** or information given on the websites.

[www.cao.ie](http://www.cao.ie) - points over previous year(s)

[www.examinations.ie](http://www.examinations.ie) – exam papers

[www.careersportal.ie](http://www.careersportal.ie) – research courses

[www.qualifax.ie](http://www.qualifax.ie) – research courses

College websites or course prospectuses (online)

# Careers Portal

careersportal.ie



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Career Sectors

Site Search

by Course Title or Code...

by College here... ▾

SEARCH NOW



## School

I am a second level student researching my subjects, courses and career options



## Graduates

I am an undergraduate/graduate researching career opportunities



## Adult Learners

I want to return to education and explore options and supports available



## Job Seekers

I am interested in upskilling, changing career or finding a job



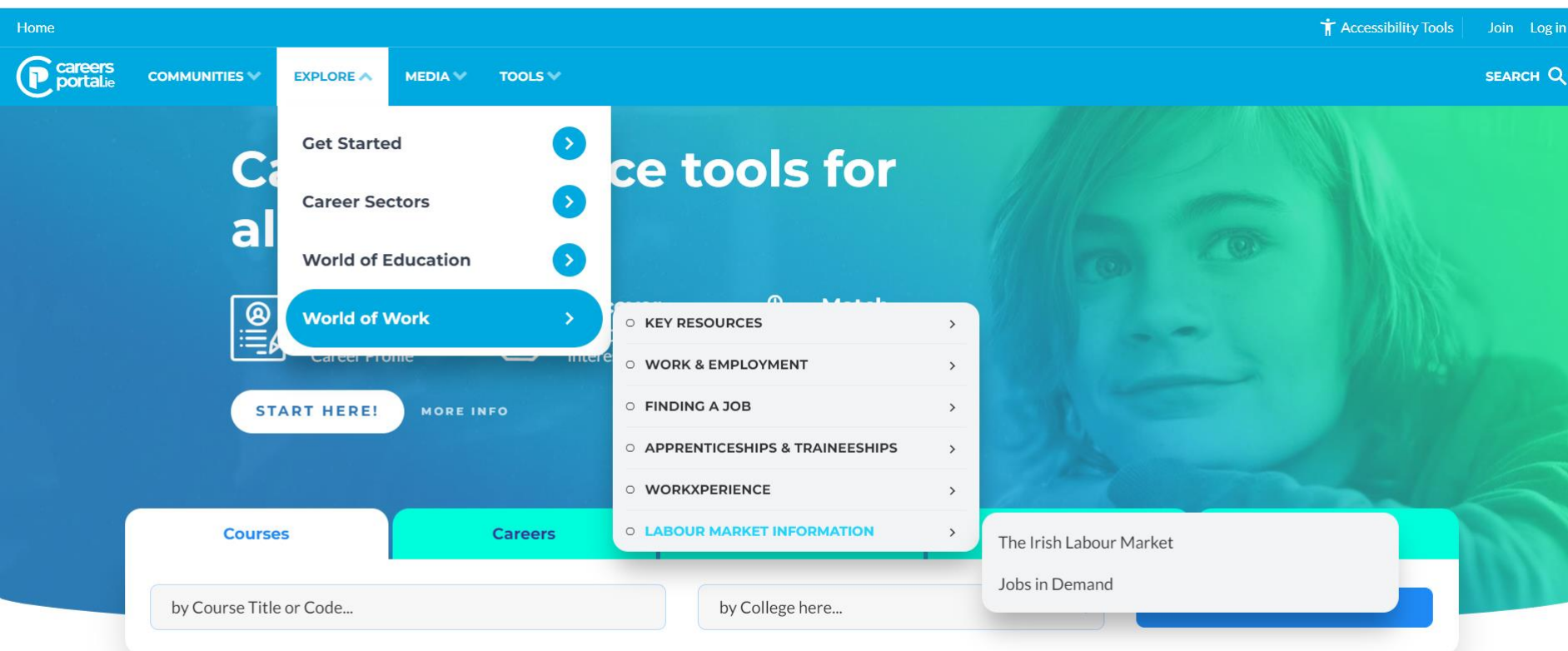
## Parents

I want to understand my child's educational and career options



## Guidance / Teaching Professionals

I want key tools and resources to support my guidance / teaching practice



Careersportal/Explore/World of Work/Labour Market  
Information/Jobs in Demand





Use our CareerExplorer to find information on over 1000 occupations and Apprenticeships in Ireland. Use the filters to narrow down your preferences. Click on the star to add a career to your favourites. Your favourites will be saved to your Career File if you are logged in.

Filter by:

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Found **142** careers

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## CAREER TITLE

Example: "ani" will find animal and mechanical.

☐ My favourites

## CAREER TYPES

- ☒ Occupations  
☐ Apprenticeships

## JOB ZONES

## CAREER TITLE

## JOB ZONE

## STATUS



Accommodation Assistant

1 2 3 4 5

Job In Demand



Accountant

1 2 3 4 5

Job In Demand



Accounts Assistant

1 2 3 4 5

Job In Demand



Advertising Account Manager

1 2 3 4 5

Job In Demand



Anaesthetist

1 2 3 4 5

Job In Demand



Analytical Chemist

1 2 3 4 5

Job In Demand



# Subject Choice Advice

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DSoSx6l4qc>

- Classroom Guidance is a great tool for TY, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> year students as well as parents/guardians!

# Restrictions:

- Too few/too many students demand the subject
- Two preferences on at the same time.

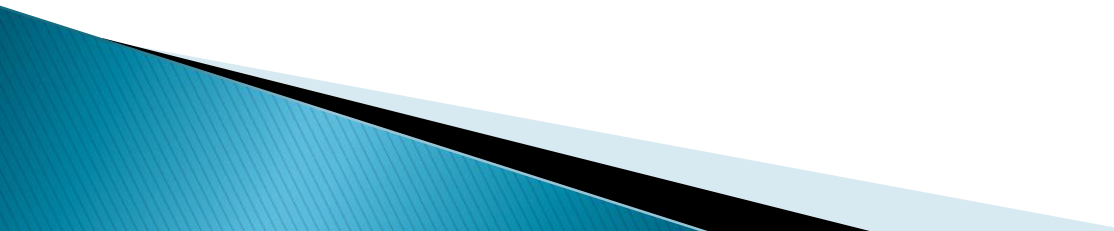
## Finally, how to make a decision: Advice for Students/Parents & Guardians.

- Subjects they are good at - ability
- Subjects they like - a genuine interest
- Course/Career Requirements.
- Students have already been advised to speak to senior students studying subjects that they are interested in/look at their text books/ask them about project work.

- If they like all subjects and are uncertain about which course to pursue keep options open by choosing:
  - A Science
  - A Modern Language (French/German)
  - A Business
  - A Social

Next Steps...


# Time Frame

- Form will go live Friday March 1<sup>st</sup> on VSware
  - Options must be completed through VSware by 3.45pm Monday March 11<sup>th</sup>
  - Each student will receive notification of their subjects a few weeks after this date.
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Address bar: wexfordcbs.app.vsware.ie

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## Welcome to VSware

School

 Christian Brothers Secondary School

Username \*

J.Nolan

Password \*

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[Create or reset your password](#)

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## Password Reset



Username

Last 4 digits of registered phone number

[Send code](#)

Resetting your student password? [Learn more](#)

Don't have an account? [Learn more](#)

Enter user name here

Enter last 4 digits of your mobile here

Type here to search

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Parent Dashboard

Your Children v



## Parent Dashboard



### Welcome to the Dashboard

This page is your one-stop-shop to view live notifications on your child's attendance, behaviour, reports and more. If you want to explore further, click into your child's profile.



### Your Children



### Your Contact Details

Linda Scallan

Telephone:



### Notifications

Nothing to report!

Notifications related to your children will appear here when available.

Ryan Scallan's Profile | VSware

Microsoft Teams

Email - John Nolan - Outlook

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Reading list

**Attendance**

Monitor your child's attendance at a glance, view records from an entire year or specific lesson.

[Learn More >](#)

**Assessment**

View your child's full academic record, track progress over time and download term assessments.

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**Behaviour**

Keep track of your child's behaviour, monitor progress & teacher feedback.

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**Timetable**

View your child's timetable, see realtime data for which lesson they are in at any given time.

[Learn More >](#)

**Personal Info**

Overview of your child's key info. Ensure that this is up to date.

[Learn More >](#)

**Fees**

Overview of school fees for the year, pay directly via card online.

[Learn More >](#)

**Student Options**

Submit next year's subject preferences directly to the school.

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Students must select **ALL 7**  
**OPTIONS**

Students must also answer  
**YES/NO** to LCA and LCVP

Student Options

There are 9 optional subjects on the school curriculum which are : Art, Business, Classical Studies, French, German, Materials Technology Wood, Music, Science, Technical Graphics  
Please note, as there are limited places in some subjects a lottery will be used to decide who gets into a subject that is over subscribed. Also serious consideration needs to be given to the order in which you select your subjects, starting with the subject you most want to study and working all the way down to the subject you least want to study. Please talk to your son about this and submit your sons preferences by Wednesday 16 March.

On the table(s) below choose subjects in order of the highest priority of preference (1, 2, etc).


**Closing date:** 16/03/2022

Subject Set 1

Preference	Subject Choice
1	<input type="text"/>
2	<input type="text"/>
3	<input type="text"/>

Any issues with access to VSWARE  
please contact Mr Nolan –  
[jnolan@wexfordcbs.ie](mailto:jnolan@wexfordcbs.ie)

# Please note...

1. We will do everything we can to give your child their choices.
  2. We may need to discuss the choices with some students .
  3. 5th Year Students will not be allocated to a core class.
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# Any Questions?



If your child needs any help or further information we are available to talk to you during school time or after the meeting tonight.