



# MISSION STATEMENT

**St. Anne's Community College provides Post-Primary Education for a student population of over 500 students. Each student is accepted as an individual with his or her unique talents and gifts which we as a staff hope to nurture and develop while they are in our care. We hope to produce school leavers who are confident, mature and responsible and are well equipped for the world of work and leisure.**



# St. Anne's Community College Killaloe



Welcome:

At St. Anne's Community College we seek to develop the full potential of every student in an orderly caring environment where quality teaching and learning takes place. The key to this is the strong spirit of collaboration that exists between the LCETB (Limerick & Clare Education and Training Board) Board of Management, staff, pupils, parents and the wider community.

This prospectus gives an overview of school life, the range of programmes, subjects, facilities, extra-curricular activities and pastoral supports at St. Anne's. We welcome you to our open night to view the facilities we have to offer.

Should you require any further information please contact the school directly. We will be delighted to assist you.



*Ms. Aídeen Walsh  
Principal*



*Ms. Mary Fitzgerald  
Deputy Principal*



*Ms. Fiona Daly  
Acting Deputy  
Principal*

# St. Anne's Community College

## FACILITIES

St. Anne's Community College, Killaloe, is a very modern co-educational post primary school which was completed in 1987. The present buildings replaced the old St. Anne's Secondary School on Convent Hill which had been providing secondary education since 1945.

St. Anne's Community College stands on a fifteen acre site in Clarisford which was purchased by the Parents Council in 1978. The school is ideally located in a quiet rural area, providing a suitable tranquil environment, conducive to study and education.

Since opening in 1987, the school at Clarisford has expanded several times due to an increasing enrolment. A new wing was added in 2002 and a major extension was completed in August 2019.

### Our Facilities Include:

- 4 Science Laboratories
- 2 Home Economics Rooms
- 2 Engineering Rooms
- Woodwork Technology/Construction Studies
- 2 Technical Graphics/ DCG Rooms
- 2 Computer Rooms
- Language Lab
- Art Room
- Music Room
- Library
- 2 Dining Areas
- Full size PE Hall & Standard PE Hall
- Fitness Suite
- Astroturf Pitch
- Playing Pitch
- 4 Hard Courts



# St. Anne's Community College

## PROGRAMMES OFFERED

- Junior Certificate
- Transition Year
- Leaving Certificate including the Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme currently.

### SUBJECTS OFFERED AT JUNIOR CYCLE:

#### CORE SUBJECTS:

- |               |  |
|---------------|--|
| • Irish       | <b>WELLBEING</b>                               |
| • English     | (•) CSPE - Civil, Social & Political Education |
| • Mathematics | (•) SPHE - Social, Personal & Health Education |
| • History     | (•) Physical Education                         |
| • Geography   | • Religious Education                          |

#### OPTIONAL SUBJECTS - STUDENTS STUDY FOUR:

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|--------------------|----------------------|
| • Art              | • Music              |
| • Business Studies | • Science            |
| • French           | • Spanish            |
| • Home Economics   | • Technical Graphics |
| • Metalwork        | • Woodwork           |

Incoming first year students complete an option subject form where they list in order of choice the option subjects they wish to study. The option blocks generated are determined by student preference and available resources. Every effort is made to accommodate student choices.





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## SENIOR CYCLE

### SUBJECTS OFFERED AT SENIOR CYCLE:

#### CORE SUBJECTS:

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|---------------|-----------------------|
| • Irish       | • Careers             |
| • English     | • Religious Education |
| • Mathematics | • Physical Education  |

#### OPTIONAL SUBJECTS - STUDENTS STUDY FOUR:

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|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| • Accounting                      | • Engineering    |
| • Agricultural Science            | • French         |
| • Art                             | • Geography      |
| • Biology                         | • History        |
| • Business                        | • Home Economics |
| • Chemistry                       | • Music          |
| • Construction Studies            | • Physics        |
| • Design & Communication Graphics | • Spanish        |

Students submit forms outlining in order of preference the option subjects they wish to study. The option blocks generated are determined by student preferences and available resources. Every effort is made to accommodate student choices.

The school also currently runs the Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme (LCVP)



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## TRANSITION YEAR (TY)

St. Anne's Community College introduced a Transition Year Programme in 1994. The programme is very broad and while it maintains vital contact with the Core Leaving Certificate subjects, it also offers an opportunity for students to develop their own individual talents, to strengthen their basic skills and experience the world of work. The programme may vary from year to year but typically will include many of the following:

- Irish
- English
- Mathematics
- Modern European Language
- Mini Company
- Physical Education
- Art
- Science
- Construction Studies
- Engineering
- Solid Works
- Chess
- Wellbeing including RSE
- Life Skills/Home Economics
- European Studies/Geography
- Environmental Awareness/Project Work
- History
- Religious Education
- Young Social Innovators
- Careers
- Film Studies
- Music
- Information Communication Technology (ICT)
- Speech & Drama
- First Aid

In addition to class work the TY Programme includes a broad range of co-curricular and extra-curricular activities. These activities vary from year to year but typically will include many of the following:

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|---------------------------|--|
| Work Experience           | Horse Riding                             |
| Outdoor Pursuits - Delphi | Sailing & Water Sports                   |
| Gaisce Awards             | Young Social Innovator (YSI) Competition |
| School Bank               | Visiting Speakers                        |
| Swimming                  | Coaching                                 |
| Paintballing              | GAA Future Leaders                       |
| Community Work            | European Ambassador Schools Programme    |
| Comhairle na nOg          | Concern World Wide Debating              |
| Junk Kouture              | UNICEF - Student Activism                |
| Green Schools             | European Model Council Debating          |
| Look Into Law Programme   | European Youth Parliament                |

Students apply for Transition Year during Third Year. Every effort is made to accommodate pupils wishing to participate in Transition Year, taking into account available resources.

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## EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

A wide range of extra-curricular activities are available at St. Anne's. The following school teams compete in Clare and Munster competitions.

<b>Hurling:</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> year, U15, U16½ & Senior
<b>Gaelic Football:</b>	Clare and Munster Championships
<b>Camogie:</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Year and Junior/Intermediate/Senior
<b>Rugby:</b>	Junior & Senior (Boys and Girls)
<b>Soccer:</b>	Junior & Senior
<b>Badminton:</b>	U14, U16, U19 boys and girls to All-Ireland level
<b>Softball:</b>	Girls only

Training for these sports takes place after school. The school supports student participation in Athletics, Swimming, Tennis, Handball and Equestrian Events.

- School Musicals
- Chess Club
- Green Schools
- Coder Dojo
- Speech & Drama classes after school
- Film Club
- Public Speaking/Debating
- Concerts/Talent Shows
- Music Generation
- School Tours, usually every two years



**Astroturf Pitch**



# St. Anne's Community College

## UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

**Boys & Girls:** Navy crested uniform jacket available from the school

### **Girls:**

- Navy ankle length skirt or navy straight legged pants. Navy jeans/cords, track suit pants or hipsters are **not** acceptable
- Navy V-necked school jumper with St. Anne's crest
- Light blue blouse
- School tie
- Navy socks or tights
- Brown, black or navy shoes. Runners with non-scuff soles are acceptable provided that they are **completely** black, brown or navy. Boots/Converse and similar types of footwear are not acceptable. Light canvas shoes are unsuitable for inclement weather conditions.

### **Boys:**

- Dark Grey pants - straight legged, full length
- Navy V-necked school jumper with St. Anne's crest
- Light blue shirt
- School tie
- Navy/grey socks
- Brown, black or navy shoes. Runners with non-scuff soles are acceptable provided that they are **completely** black, brown or navy. Boots/Converse and similar types of footwear are not acceptable. Light canvas shoes are unsuitable for inclement weather conditions.

**Physical Education:** Tracksuit, T-shirt, Socks and Runners

**NB: STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO HAVE A CHANGE OF UNIFORM**

**UNIFORMS AVAILABLE FROM:**



- Fine Rags Boutique, Main St., Killaloe, Co. Clare
- Mike O'Connell Menswear, Catherine St., Limerick

## St. Anne's Community College

### PASTORAL AND ACADEMIC SUPPORT

In order to ensure a caring and orderly environment the following structures are in place:

- Class Tutors
- Year Heads
- Deputy Principal
- Principal

### In addition, students are supported by:

- **Chaplain:** Maintains personal contact with individual students, staff and parents throughout their school journey, while promoting physical, emotional and spiritual wellbeing. The Chaplain arranges for, and organizes school celebrations in a multi denominational fashion throughout the year.
- **Two Guidance Counsellors:** advise students on career choices and assist pupils in making educational, vocational and personal decisions. The Guidance Counsellors also support and help pupils who are experiencing difficulty in their lives.
- **Learning Support Teachers:** Identify pupils with special educational needs, organize appropriate interventions, apply for accommodations in state exams and advise the Principal on timetabling of additional support.

### Further Supports Include:

- **Mentors:** Senior students who have been trained to assist first year pupils in their transition from primary to secondary school.
- **Supervised Study:** Is available to all students. It runs Monday to Thursday (inclusive) from 4:05pm to 6:05pm and 6:35pm to 8:30pm. It also runs from 2:00pm to 4:00pm on Fridays. After school study for 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Years operates Monday to Thursday from 4.05pm to 5.30pm.
- **The Student Council:** This gives students an opportunity to express themselves and communicate their concerns. The student council is consulted in areas such as policy development.
- **The School Journal:** In addition to being used for recording homework it is a valuable means of communication between home and school. Parents/guardians sign the journal weekly and the class tutor countersigns it.
- **The 'Text a Parent' Facility:** This facility has greatly improved communication with parents/guardians. It is used in addition to letters, reports, newsletters, phone calls, parent teacher meetings and other meetings as required.
- **Way2Pay:** Our cashless payment system. Parents can make payments by text instantly on their

full or in

smartphones, in instalments.



