

Midleton CBS Secondary School

An Edmund Rice School



Midleton County Cork



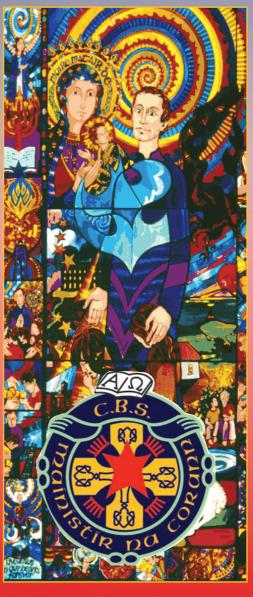
















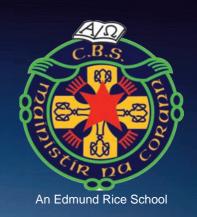
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In MIDLETON CBS

We have Respect

For all members of the school community

For all others and their property

For the school rules

For the classroom and the school

We Care

For others

For the school environment

This means being mannerly and polite

This means acknowledging others

We are Responsible

For being well presented

For being punctual and prepared

For always doing our best

For following directions

C.B.S. SECONDARY SCHOOL MIDLETON 2020/21



A Word of Welcome

Deciding on the secondary school that you will send your son to is a major decision for every family. This prospectus details the broad range of subjects on offer at Midleton C.B.S. It is also hoped that it will provide you with an insight into the variety of activities and the high standards in the school. During our Open Evening you will be able to meet with staff members and discuss individual subjects. You will also get the opportunity to meet with students on your guided tour of Midleton C.B.S.

Academic success is a well-established feature of Midleton C.B.S. evident in our excellent Junior and Leaving Certificate results. We aim for, and achieve the highest grades in the Junior and Leaving Certificate Examinations. Over the last ten years, 80% of our students have progressed on to Third Level Colleges on completion of the Leaving Certificate.

We are an inclusive school in the Edmund Rice tradition therefore we strive to educate the students who have decided not to pursue the CAO route on alternative pathways to a blended education in apprenticeships and traineeships. The school has forged links with industry and the Department of Education has accorded the school special Pilot Project status for 2019 - 2021 in respect of the initiative that we are pursuing in this area.

Education is not all about the acquisition of knowledge, it is also about formation. I believe that the values we instil in our students in Midleton C.B.S. will stand them in good stead when they progress from the school. The holistic approach to education in the Edmund Rice tradition lends itself to a balanced education, to an atmosphere of camaraderie and a sense of belonging that is very evident among the student body in Midleton C.B.S. I hope that you avail of this educational opportunity for your son so that we can help him to thrive and grow into a young adult of whom both you and the school will be deservedly proud.

Parents are actively involved in the life of Midleton C.B.S. through representation on the Board of Management and the Parents Advisory Council who meet with the Principal throughout the school year. The close co-operation between the parents and the school plays a vital role in the individual success of each student.

As Principal, I welcome and enjoy the continued liaison between the school and our alumni. There is nothing more satisfying than the success stories of former students of the school who now hold important positions in all areas of life throughout the country and further afield.

Midleton C.B.S. was founded in 1867 and has a long history of academic achievement. In 2017 we celebrated our 150th Year, we proudly acknowledge this rich history of service to Midleton and the surrounding communities. Today, we continue that commitment to each and every student entrusted into our care. The decision on your son's future education is far too serious to be left to chance therefore I would encourage you to visit with us on our Open Evening. Finally, may I wish both you and your son the very best for the future. Yours faithfully,

Mr Niall Ahern

Principal

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WHY CHOOSE MIDLETON C.B.S.?

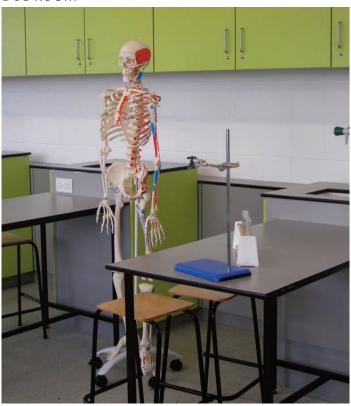
- Academic Excellence
- Excellent Dedicated Teachers
- High Record of College Entry
- High Standards of Behaviour
- Tradition of Sports
- Annual School Awards
- After School Study
- Lunchtime Activities
- Book Scheme

- Pastoral Care Team
- Learning Support Team
- Buddy System
- Designated Social/Play Areas for 1st Years
- Subject Sampling in 1st Year
- Excellent TY Programme
- Excellent School Canteen
- Excellent Sport Facilities
- Green School

A School of Endeavour, Achievement and Excellence



DCG ROOM



SCIENCE LAB



The First Year Experience

Midleton CBS - A welcoming environment

- Meitheal
- Prayer Services
- Sports day/Team events
- First year visit to Edmund Rice Heritage Centre
- Participate in Christmas Talent Show





Enrich & Develop Skills

- Literacy Vocabulary competency drive
- I.T. Incorporated into learning
- Creative writing and reading
- Drama
- Music
- Language Skills
- Crafts, Art, Woodwork

Academic Excellence – A vision of challenge

- Timetabled Christmas and Summer Exams
- Academic Progress Record maintained for each student
- Extra learning resource
- Excellent notes
- Study skills programme

Teachers strive to welcome, challenge, and enrich...



ELI LILLY SCIENCE QUIZ - MEDAL WINNERS





STUDENT VS TEACHER CHARITY SOCCER MATCH



GREEN FLAG SCHOOL

Extensive facilities for the 21st century

The Christian Brothers have been providing education in Midleton since 1867 with the present building built in the early 1970's for 280 pupils. The Christian Brothers have since moved from Midleton but the tradition of education they started continues. Our trustees are now the Edmund Rice Schools Trust which is a lay trust set up by the Christian Brothers. The school has presently in excess of 700 students and is projected to grow to 900 students.



Building of an extension and a major refurbishment of the existing school commenced in March 2014 and is now completed. It is a 21st century building with all the amenities and facilities that every student should experience in their education.











OUTDOOR COURTS

As well as standard class rooms the building will have:

- Five Science Laboratories
- Three Computer Rooms
- Art Room

GYM

- Technical Graphics Room
- Two Construction Studies/Woodwork Rooms
- Two Engineering/Technology Rooms
- Social Studies Rooms
- Large Social Areas
- Canteen Facilities



CANTEEN







SCHOOL LIBRARY

BASKETBALL COURT HALL

Physical Education needs will be catered for with a PE Hall of 33 m x 18 m and a separate fitness Gym area. The present pitch has been fully resurfaced and drained.

Two tennis courts and three all-weather pitches have also been constructed.



HARTY CUP WINNERS 2019



TROPHIES WON BY SCHOOL IN 2019







MUNSTER SENIOR SOCCER WINNERS 2019

Support Services

Guidance

Our Guidance Counsellors provide subject and career choice information and counselling to individual pupils and class groups. Links with third level colleges, industry and business ensure that students get advice and assistance in courses, careers, work-experience and job placement. A careers library is available to students.

Learning Support

Our team of Learning Support and Resource teachers assesses and provides for the learning needs of individual students and small groups as required. A report system is operated to keep parents informed of pupil progress and behaviour. The school also works closely with the National Educational Psychological Service (N.E.P.S.)

Religious Education

The school follows the Catechetical Programme as laid down by the Catholic Hierarchy, with Religion as part of the course of studies for all year groups. Each year all first year students are taken to Mount Sion in Waterford to visit the Edmund Rice Heritage centre as part of their first year religion programme. A Faith Encounter Programme (small group discussion format) operates in Sixth Years. The students actively support local and national charities and have contributed time and effort to many successful schemes

Home/School Links

The important link between school and home is maintained through regular Parent/Teacher meetings for each Year group. Parents can also meet teachers by appointment. Special meetings are organized for parents at critical times in relation to their son's progress e.g. subject choices in first year and third year. Occasional talks for parents are held on current educational and social issues.

Parents Advisory Council

An active Parents' Council has proved to be an important support to the school. Parents of new pupils are encouraged to join the Council.

Past Pupils Union

C.B.S. is fortunate in having one of the strongest Past Pupils Union in the country. Celebrating 50 years in existence in 2013/2014, the PPU has supported the school morally and materially. Their Monday Night Bingo has funded major school developments over the years including the new laboratories, computer facilities and gym equipment. They are sponsors of our Annual Student Awards and have, on numerous occasions, come to the assistance of students who represent Midleton CBS in academic, social and sporting arenas.

Students Council

A Students' Council, elected annually by their peers, provides the school with a pupil perspective of school needs.

A comprehensive range of Junior Certificate and Leaving Certificate subjects are offered to all students.

Junior Certificate Subjects:

Core Subjects

Gaeilge English

Mathematics

French or German**

History Geography Science

Religion

Physical Education. (P.E.) *

Civis, Social & Political Ed (CSPE)*
Social, Physical & Health Ed (SPHE) *

Wellbeing*

Optional Subjects

Art

Business Studies

Materials Technology (Woodwork)

Music

Technical Graphics (Drawing)

Technology

Students will study two of the subjects from the list of Optional Subjects after sampling all six subjects. Students are guaranteed two of their top three choices after indicating their preferences.

Classes for Junior Cert are formed in 2nd Year, with students selecting their two optional subjects, during the first term of first year. There are 8 core subjects plus 2 optional subjects (see the list from the 1st Year) to be prepared for examination. The Option Blocks are determined by the demand from the students. Of the six optional subjects on offer students are guaranteed two of their top three subjects selected.

Leaving Certificate Subjects:

Core Subjects

Gaeilge - French or German - Chemistry

English - Mathematics - Physics

Biology - Ag Science

Religious Education* - Physical Education*

Optional Subjects

Technology - Accounting - History - Geography Construction Studies - Business - Economics Design & Comm Graphics - Politics & Society

Art - LCVP - Music

At Leaving Certificate level all students take Gaeilge, English, Mathematics, Religious Education and Physical Education. In addition students choose four subjects from the Optional Subjects. Great care is taken and guidance given in the choosing of these subjects by the student in consultation with the Principal, Guidance Counsellor, Teachers and Parents.

Transition Year

In Transition Year students are given the opportunity to sample subjects, experience modules which promote personal development and inter-personal skills in conjunction with their academic studies. In addition to core academic subjects students undertake short courses in the following:- Careers, Chinese, Health & Safety, Film Studies, Tourism, Road Safety, Science Projects, Local History, Solid Works, Ukelele, Green Schools, Personal Finance, Media Studies, Nutrition, Social Studies, Literacy, Gym Training, Sports Coaching and Mini-Company. Mini Company is a very important part of the Transition year. In 2014 one of the mini companies 'Hurling Hub' won the Cork area finals and competed in the All Ireland Finals in Croke Park. In addition, Transition Year students undertake Work Experience. Transition Year has proved to be a most successful and maturing feature of their Senior Cycle Education.

Extra-curricular activities

Educational Visits

- Language trips, German and French tours Field Trips, Geography, Biology, Art, C.S.P.E.
- Theatre Visits, English and Irish Visit to Edmund Rice Heritage Centre for 1st Year Students
- University and 3rd Level College visits in 5th and 6th Year
- Religious visits, Students go to Knock and Lourdes every year. Educational Trip to New York.

^{*} indicates that the subject is not examinable at Junior Certificate Examinations

^{**} indicates that students will study either French or German after sampling

^{*} indicates that the subject is not examinable at Leaving Certificate Examinations

Sport

Hurling (Harty Cup, Rice Cup, Cork Colleges 2019) Cross Country (Munster Schools 2019)

Soccer (Munster Senior Trophy 2019) Orienteering (All Ireland 2019)

Rugby (King Cup 2019) Athletics

Gaelic Football (U 14 East Cork)

Basketball

Golf

India Immersion Programme

In 2016 and again in 2018 six senior students and two teacher from our school travelled to India to work with street children in one of the Christian Brothers schools in Calcutta. They visited orphanages and spent some time at a leprosy rehabilitation centre. This project has been a very important aspect of life in Midleton CBS and the wider community for the last ten years and has benefited many children and their families in Calcutta. It has also raised awareness in our school of the plight of those living on the margins of society and given us the opportunity to help those in need. In 2020 a team of teachers and students will travel again to India.



School Transport

The state subsidised school bus scheme - Forms available from website **www.buseireann.ie** under school transport. Private buses operate in a number of areas

School Books

The school operated a Book Grant Scheme for necessitous students. Book lists are available from June.

School Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday.		Wednesday	
8.10 am	School Opens	8.10 am	School Opens
8.50 am	Classes Begin	8.50 am	Classes Begin
10.50 am	15 minute Break	10.50 am	15 minute Break
1.05 pm	40 minute Lunch Break	1.05 pm	Classes End
3.45 pm	Classes end	3.30 pm	School Closes
5.30 pm	School closes		

MISSION STATEMENT

'Our school aspires to being a caring Christian centre of learning, where the promotion of Irish culture, values of respect for self and others, honest endeavour and efforts to achieve full potential are nurtured.'

ETHOS

Our school is a voluntary secondary school, with a Catholic ethos, operating under the trusteeship of the Edmund Rice Schools Trust and rooted in the vision of the founder Blessed Edmund Rice. Our aim is to provide an integrated and inclusive education for boys which promotes respect for the diversity of values, beliefs, languages and ways of life in society. Our ethos also promotes the integration of children with special educational needs, including those with disabilities, provided that this is in the best interest of the child.



RUGBY





SOCCER GAELIC FOOTBALL

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