

Holy Trinity College

9-29 Chapel Street COOKSTOWN Co Tyrone BT80 8QB Principal: Mrs I Russell BA (Hons) MTD PQH (NI)

A Specialist Sports and English Academy

27 January 2022

Dear Primary 7 Parent / Guardian

Re: Year 8 Post Primary Admissions

We are delighted that so many of you could join us on our Open Day Tours on Thursday 20th and Friday 21st January. We are equally delighted that many of you visited the College Website for our virtual Open Evening. Both events were designed to give pupils and parents/guardians the information you need, to make an informed choice about Holy Trinity College and what it can offer to your son / daughter, should they choose to join us in September 2022. The College Prospectus is available to download and view on the website <u>www.holytrinitycollege.org</u> as well.

The Primary 7 admissions process for Year 8 Post Primary Applications opens on Tuesday 1st February. All applications must be placed online via the EA website <u>www.eani.org.uk</u>. The process will close on Wednesday 23rd February @ 4.00pm.

Holy Trinity College believes that the transition from Primary School to Post-Primary School must be as smooth as possible, to ensure that your son / daughter continues to progress in an environment where he / she will feel safe, feel valued, feel nurtured and most importantly, feel happy. Holy Trinity College is a vibrant school and we take great pride in what we do on a daily basis. Our core business is to:

- Build on the work carried out by your son / daughter's Primary school and receive a detailed profile of your child's ability and strengths in advance of their Induction into the College.
- Be an active member of our Summer Scheme in August 2022 which will enable your son / daughter to become familiar with the College, build their confidence and get to know the pupils in their Form class.
- Provide a pathway for the many pupils who aspire to follow an academic curriculum in Year 11 GCSE and beyond.
- Provide a more vocational route with 'hands on' practical subjects leading to apprenticeships, particularly in Engineering.
- Assist your son/daughter to access a broad and balanced curriculum at their own pace via a range of supports in literacy, numeracy, mentoring, small group work, one-one support, organisational skills, friendship building and so on, with the help of our Learning Support Team.
- Avail of specialised Nurture Provision in The Haven, which assists with transition to a large secondary school; prepares pupils for learning; develops social communication skills; and improves pupil wellbeing.
- Engage in a broad and balanced curriculum, where those of high academic ability can focus on obtaining 10 GCSEs including Further Maths, Additional Science and English Literature in preparation for A Level Study and Third Level Education.



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- Support pupils in Years 8, 9 and 10 with a strong background in Irish language to complete their GCSE Irish Qualification at the end of Year 10.
- Engage with and extend learning beyond the classroom through a broad range of enrichment and extra- curricular opportunities.
- Care for, support and treat each pupil as an individual via a positive reward system which will
 motivate and encourage pupils to develop their skills and talents to the full. An effective Pastoral
 Care system underpins Holy Trinity College.

"When your child looks forward to going to school every day to learn, gain skills, meet her friends and make new friends, then you know you made the right decision when choosing her new school. She was able to establish a great rapport with all her new teachers right from the start. The school also teaches the children social skills which are so important for their future lives and careers. Every day is a 'happy' school day in Holy Trinity College" Year 8 parent.

If you have any further questions or wish to avail of a personalised tour of the College, please do not hesitate to contact us on 028 8676 2420 or email the Principal, Mrs Russell at info@holytrinityc.cookstown.ni.sch.uk.

We look forward to your son/daughter joining us in September and by working together, we can ensure your child is happy, well looked after, will thrive and will enjoy his / her success.

Yours sincerely

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