

St. Patrick's Cathedral Grammar School



Extra-Curricular Activities

Information Booklet

2026 ~ 2027

Timetable Overview of Extra-Curricular Activities 2026-27

Day / Activity	Location	Time	Attendees	Teacher
Monday				
Chess Club	Library	1.15-1.40pm	All Students	Ms. Cullen
Traditional Music Group (Monthly)	Music Room	1.15-1.40pm	All Students	Ms. Balfe
Drama Club	Music Room	4.05-5pm	1 st – 4 th	Mr. Boyd
Tuesday				
Book Club	Room 5	11am	All Students	Ms. Cullen
Orchestra	Music Room	1.15-1.45pm	All students who play an orchestral instrument	Ms. Balfe
Basketball	Yard	4-5pm	Boys	Mr. Chris Cinosi
Wednesday				
Student Council	Room 5	After Assembly	Elected Members	Mr. Shelly
Choir	Music Room	12.15-1.15pm	1 st – 6 th	Ms. Lyons
Football	Cabbage Patch	12.15-2pm	Junior students – boys & girls	Mr. Shelly
Dungeons & Dragons	Library	12.30-2.30pm	All Students	Mr. Donnelly
Volleyball	Yard	After school on Wednesdays	3 rd – 6 th boys & girls (Rotational)	Mr. Whyte & Ms. Burke
Thursday				
Debating (Fortnightly)	Library	1.15 -1.45pm	1 st – 6 th	Ms. Cullen
Lego Robotics	Lab 2	1.15-1.45pm	1 st – 4 th	Ms. Clancy
Girl's Basketball	Yard	4-4.45pm	1 st -2 nd	Ms. Conroy
Friday				
An Cumann Gaeilge SGANP	Room 6	1.15-1.45pm	1 st –6 th	Ms. Kavanagh, Mr. King & Mr. Whyte.

Creative Arts and Problem-Solving

An Cumann Gaeilge SGANP

Details/Descriptor:

Is deis é an Cumann Gaeilge do chuid Ghaeilge a úsáid agus a labhairt i suíomh sproiúil, neamhfhoirmiúil agus gan stró. Baileoimid le chéile chun cluichí a imirt, ceisteanna a phlé agus páirt a ghlacadh i neart imeachtaí éagsúla!

An t-aon riail atá againn ná cibé craic atá ar siúl againn...déanfaimid sár-iarracht é a dhéanamh trí mheán na Gaeilge! Fáilte roimh chách, Bígí linn!

The Irish Club is an opportunity to use and speak Irish in a fun, informal and relaxed environment. We'll get together to play games, discuss different topics and take part in lots of different activities!

We only have one rule: whatever fun we're having... we'll make a great effort to do it through Irish! All are welcome, Come and join us!

Open to/Attendees: Céad bhliain – Séú Bliain, 1st – 6th year

Day/Time/Venue: Dé hAoine, am loin, 1.15–1.45pm, Rang 6.

Contact/Teacher involved: Ms. Kavanagh, Mr. King & Mr. Whyte.

Book Club

Details/Descriptor: A small informal group discussion of books in general and organisation of a common book list to read. Mainly junior school students.

Open to/Attendees: All students from 1st – 6th year

Day/Time/Venue: Tuesday, 11am, Room 5

Contact/Teacher involved: Ms. Cullen.

Chess Club

Details/Descriptor: Run by transition year students this club aims to teach and facilitate games of chess on a weekly basis. Chess sets and some tuition will be available.

Open to/Attendees: All students from 1st – 6th year

Day/Time/Venue: Monday, 1:15-1:40pm, Library

Contact/Teacher involved: Ms. Cullen

Drama

Details/descriptor: Drama club will cover a variety of techniques and studies within the practices of the dramatic arts. Ran fortnightly, Drama will cover acting technique for the stage, improvisation, sketch comedy, audition technique, and introduction to movement, and rudimentary non-contact stage combat.

Open to/Attendees: All years are welcome, but generally geared towards 1-4 years.

Day/Time/Venue: Mondays, 4.05-5pm, Music Room, Fortnightly

Teacher: Mr. Boyd

Dungeons & Dragons Club

Details/Descriptor: D&D is a storytelling & maths game, where students will take on the role of fantasy adventurers exploring a magical & dangerous world.

Open to/Attendees: All students from 1st – 6th year

Day/Time/Venue: Wednesday, Library, 12.30-2.30pm

Contact/Teacher involved: Mr. Donnelly

Lego Robotics

Details/Descriptor: Teams enter the First Lego League competition this years theme is 'Bioglow'. Students code their robot to complete tasks on the game board and take on an innovation project that fits the theme.

Open to/Attendees: 1st – 4th year

Day/Time/Venue: Thursday, Lunchtime (1.15pm), Lab 2

Contact/Teacher involved: Ms. Clancy and Ms. Dunne

Senior Debating

Details/Descriptor: Practise for entry into various debate competitions.

Open to/Attendees: 4th, 5th and 6th year

Day/Time/Venue: Thursday Fortnightly, Lunchtime (1.15pm) Library

Contact/Teacher involved: Ms. Cullen

Music

Choir

Details/Descriptor: The School Choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor or Bass) perform at all school events- cathedral services, assemblies, carol services and compete at competitions nationwide.

Open to/Attendees: Students from 1st – 6th year who would like to sing in a choir

Day/Time/Venue: Wednesday, 12.15–1.15pm, Music Room

Contact/Teacher involved: Ms. Lyons

Instrumental and Vocal Lessons

Details/Descriptor: We are proud to offer vocal lessons and lessons on a wide variety of instruments (Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Piano, Violin, Viola, Cello and Double Bass). Lessons are taught by external music teachers during school hours, on a weekly rotational basis to avoid minimal disruption to academic work. There are approximately 22-24 lessons in the year. The rate per half hour lesson is €24 and is invoiced termly to the parent/guardian directly. We have a small number of woodwind and strings instruments available to rent for a nominal fee.

Open to/Attendees: All students from 1st – 6th year. You are never too young or old to start music lessons!

Day/Time/Venue: Monday-Friday, Deanery Mews

Contact/Teacher involved: Ms. Balfe (Coordinator)

Orchestra

Details/Descriptor: The School Orchestra perform at school events such as the Start of Year Service, Carol Service, assemblies and carol services. The orchestra also performs at local competitions and complete the RIAM Orchestra Exam.

Open to/Attendees: All students from 1st – 6th year who play a woodwind, brass, percussion or string instrument

Day/Time/Venue: Tuesday, 1.15–1.45pm (lunchtime), Music room

Contact/Teacher involved: Ms. Balfe

Traditional Music Group

Details/Descriptor: The Traditional Group will meet once a month on a Monday in the Music room to perform Irish Traditional music.

Open to/Attendees: All students from 1st – 6th year who play a Traditional Irish Instrument.

Day/Time/Venue: Monday, 1.15–1.40pm (lunchtime), Music room

Contact/Teacher involved: Ms. Balfe

Student Leadership

Gaisce

Details/Descriptor: Gaisce – The President's Award is a self-development programme for young people aged 14–25 which has been proven to enhance confidence and wellbeing through participation in personal, physical and community challenges.

Open to/Attendees: All 4th year (Transition Year) students and any students from 5th year who have completed the bronze and wish to go for the silver medal

Day/Time/Venue: Participants will take part in challenges throughout the year with the final adventure in April

Contact/Teacher involved: Ms. Rega

Student Council

Details/Descriptor: The Student Council is a volunteer organisation which represents our student body. They are fronted by a President and Vice President, elected amongst themselves along with various other roles. They meet weekly to discuss and address concerns voiced among the student body on how to improve school life. They are consulted on policy changes or reviews, organise fundraising events and student activities in school.

Open to/Attendees: Students from 1st– 6th year, anyone welcome

Day/Time/Venue: Wednesdays after assembly (Room 5)

Contact/Teacher involved: Mr. Shelly

Sport

Volleyball

Details/Descriptor: Volleyball strengthens upper body, arms, shoulders and lower legs. In addition, volleyball improves hand-eye coordination, reflexes and balance. Last but not least, volleyball teaches teamwork and communication and is a great social activity. Volleyball training to compete against schools all over Ireland.

Open to/Attendees: 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th (Boys and Girls), alternates every second week.

Day/Time/Venue: After school on Wednesdays.

Contact/Teacher involved: Mr. Whyte

Junior Football

Details/Descriptor: Football training for both Girls and Boys takes place after school on alternating Wednesdays. There will also be matches with other schools throughout the year.

Open to/Attendees: 1st–3rd year. All levels of experience welcome.

Day/Time/Venue: Wednesday 12.15–2pm (Cabbage Patch)

Contact/Teacher involved: Mr. Shelly

Boys Basketball

Details/Descriptor: Basketball training for 1st, 2nd & 3rd year boys. (Senior Cycle boys play interschool games but do not attend training). Training throughout the year and school league games in September/October (U16 & U19) & in January (1st & 2nd year).

Open to/Attendees: Junior Boys

Day/Time/Venue: Tuesday, 4–5pm in the school yard.

Contact/Teacher involved: Mr. Chris

Girls Basketball

Details/Descriptor: The girls basketball team participates in the East Leinster League.

Open to/Attendees: All female students, 1st–6th year, interested in playing basketball with the school & improving their skills.

Day/Time/Venue:

U19 & U16: September – November, Training: School Yard, Thursday, 4-4.45pm

Minor & Junior (1st & 2nd year): January – March, Training: School Yard, Thursday, 4-4.45pm

Contact/Teacher involved: Ms. Conroy.