



Cullybackey College

**Sixth Form Prospectus
Sept 2021**

Creating Opportunities for Success

Dear Student,

We hope that you find the information in this booklet useful as you start to make important decisions about where you should be going and what you should be doing for Sixth Form study.

Over the last few years at Cullybackey College we have invested a lot of time and money into our plans to continue to expand our Sixth Form provision. We re-modelled the Sixth form study area so that the amount of study space has doubled in size and a brand new learning space has been created to allow individual study in a relaxed and comfortable environment. Sixth formers have also benefitted from a kitchen area which can be used at break and lunchtime. A hot drinks machine and access to vending machines give students snacks at any time of the day. In addition, we have installed some laptop/tablet lockers where students can store their digital devices when they are not in use.

We have been working to add to our number of Sixth form courses. This year, we are aiming to offering 11 A Level/ Level 3 courses that are delivered by teachers within the College. Students will also hopefully have access to the full range of BLT choices which include A Level courses offered through our partner schools and the NRC.

We are aiming to provide a balance of A Level and Level 3 Technical courses that will enable you to follow whatever career path or University course that you are interested in. You will be taught by enthusiastic and dedicated teachers and will have access to some of the most modern sixth form study facilities in the Ballymena area.

We hope that you will enjoy the challenge of sixth form study and we look forward to working alongside you next year.

Over the next few weeks I will be asking what subjects you might be interested in through a series of online surveys and eventually will ask you to complete a final options sheet where you will be able to make some FINAL choices in preparation for next year.

If you have any further questions, please do get in contact with me.

Yours sincerely,

Mr T Manson
Vice Principal

Choosing courses

There are a whole range of courses on offer to our students who return to Sixth Form and it is really important to select the right course for you from the start.

You should choose courses that will allow you to move on to the career or university course that you are targeting in the future. Some degree courses require particular A Levels/ Technical pass grades so you need to research this **before** you start making choices.

The vast majority of our students are expected to complete 3 A Levels by the end of Year 14.

It is a good idea to pick subjects that you will enjoy and be successful in. Talk to your teachers about what is involved and your suitability for the course. Also talk to older students who are currently studying the courses that you are interested in.

Plan of action

Results Day - Thurs 26th August

On Results day, senior staff will be available to talk to you about your decisions and choices for next year. If you have achieved a good set of results and are keen to return to school – you will have a short interview so that we can finalise your choices.

You will also be able to get support and advice as required on the results day. Each student will be invited for a short interview to discuss their individual career path and potential subject choices in the days following the issue of GCSE exam results.

Any student who has not completed an application can still make an appointment to make an application at this time.

Entry Requirements

Sixth form studies do require a certain level of academic ability. Returning to school is not always the best option for all students. We have high expectations for our students. Joining the Cullybackey College Sixth Form means that you realise that schoolwork has priority over **all** other things.

Route 1: A Level studies (2 or 3 full courses)

Students can choose any 3 A Level subjects (including one from BLT) over 2 years.

The following criteria will be applied (in this order):

1. 5 or more GCSE passes at grade C or above including English **and** Mathematics
2. There is evidence of a positive behaviour and attendance record and the student has made a positive contribution to school life.
3. Consideration will be made if a student has achieved 4 good passes in 4 separate subjects (which can be continued at the College).
4. Some courses (including BLT choices) might require a specific grade or entry requirement.

Students may also choose 2 A Level subjects – however, you cannot access the BLT courses and must take both courses at Cullybackey College over 2 years.

Route 2: Sixth form studies

Students who do not have adequate GCSE passes can still return to school to take a number of sixth form studies over 1 year.

Students taking this route will take:

1. Certificate of Personal Effectiveness
2. GCSE Maths and English Resit
3. BTEC L2 Digital Media

Students who have not achieved pass grades in GCSE English and/or Maths are also encouraged to seek individual support from the NRC or from a personal tutor.

Decisions on the offer of a place will be based upon the following evidence:

- Attendance record
- Behaviour record
- Ability to work independently
- Motivation to work hard and to the best of ability
- A determined attitude towards learning both in school and at home
- An understanding that all deadlines must be met
- An understanding that A Level courses are very demanding.

Please note that for any subject that you have studied at GCSE and wish to pursue at A Level you need to get a Grade C minimum.

Some subjects have a higher entry tariff – read the subject info for more details.

Although Prince's Trust is worth 2 GCSEs – we will only count it as ONE GCSE pass. Equally, RE Short Course is worth only ½ of a GCSE.

The following subjects are being offered to students in September 2021

Subject	Qualification title
IT	OCR Cambridge Technical (L3)
Applied Science	OCR Cambridge Technical (L3)
Travel & Tourism	BTEC National Extended Cert (L3)
Business	OCR Cambridge Technical (L3)
History	CCEA A Level
Government & Politics	CCEA A Level
Health & Social Care	BTEC National Diploma (L3)
Art	OCR Cambridge Technical (L3)
RE	CCEA GCE A Level
Geography	CCEA GCE A Level
Sport	OCR Cambridge Technical (L3)
CoPE	CCEA L3 (Equivalent to a Grade E A Level)
<i>BTEC L2 Digital Media</i>	<i>Edexcel Pearson BTEC (L2)</i>

Courses offered by BLT schools and NRC in 2020

Subject	Qualification title
Construction	BTEC National at NRC
Engineering	BTEC National at NRC
Hospitality	BTEC National at NRC
Environmental Technology	CCEA GCE A Level at NRC
Sports Studies	BTEC National at St Patricks
Polish	GCE A Level at St Patricks
Art & Design	BTEC National at St Patricks
Technology	GCE A Level at Cambridge House
Biology	GCE A Level at Cambridge House
Drama	GCE A Level at Cambridge House
Media	GCE A Level at Cambridge House
Physics	GCE A Level at Cambridge House
Life & Health Sciences	GCE A Level at Cambridge House

Please note that the final list of BLT subjects on offer can change significantly – we will advise you of the final offer on the August results day.

UCAS Tariff Points

This year many of the different A Level and Post-16 Level 3 courses are changing and the number of UCAS points that the courses are worth as contributors to university are changing as well.

The 3 main types of course that students at Cullybackey College will come across are:

- **CCEA GCE Advanced GCE (A Level)**
- **Cambridge Technical Extended Certificate or Introductory Diploma**
- **Pearson BTEC Subsidiary Diploma or BTEC National Extended Certificate**

Each of these courses is recognized as a Level 3 qualification and students can achieve the same points and gain access to university. However, some of 'Russell Group' universities prefer students to take Advance GCE qualifications – so take this into consideration when picking your courses.

Please use the table below to understand what each of the courses will be worth on completion.

New UCAS Points Tariff from 2017

A Level Points		AS Level Points		Cambridge Technical Extended Certificate/ Introductory Diploma		BTEC Subsidiary Diploma Points		CoPE Points	
A*	56	A	20	D*	56	D*	56	Pass	16
A	48	B	16	D	48	D	48		
B	40	C	12	M	32	M	32		
C	32	D	10	P	16	P	16		
D	24	E	6						
E	16								

Examination Results 2018 – 2019

GCE A Level Results

Percentage of students who gained 2 or more passes at A Level A* - C = 82%

Percentage of students who gained 2 passes at A Level A* - E = 96%

Subject	Entries	%A*	%A	%B	%C	%D	%E	%U
Art & Design	3	0	100	0	0	0	0	0
Biology	5	0	0	40	0	20	40	0
Business Studies	7	0	29	0	29	0	42	0
Construction (at NRC)	1	100	0	0	0	0	0	0
Geography	10	0	10	20	20	50	0	0
Health and Social Care	9	0	66	0	33	0	0	0
History	12	0	8	25	25	17	8	17
ICT	16	6	44	0	38	0	6	6
Environmental Tech (at NRC)	4	25	0	50	25	0	0	0
RE	3	0	33	66	0	0	0	0
Travel & Tourism	1	100	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sports Studies	8	88	12	0	0	0	0	0

Some other points to consider

1. We expect the majority of students to choose to study 3 subjects. Some students might wish to consider a fourth subject for a short time, either to see what it is like or as a top up course for one year. The vast majority of students will not be permitted to drop their third subject.
2. Students should consider taking a mix of vocational and more academic courses.
3. Students choosing a BLT/ Collaboration subject need to be aware that travel to and from the other partner schools and colleges can eat into their time with other subjects **and** their break and lunchtime. Full attendance is expected and students who are absenting themselves from courses will have their offer of a place at the College removed.

The following pages give further information on each of the A Level courses offered within Cullybackey College. **Please note that placement on many of the BLT courses requires additional entrance requirements that will be confirmed in August.**

Art & Design				
Exam Board:	OCR			
Level:	Cambridge Technical			
Specific Entry Requirements				
Pass in GCSE Art				
Course Content:				
What will I learn on the Course?				
You will be guided by your tutors through a number of units that are designed to develop and expand your skills in a variety of materials, techniques and processes within Art and Design.				
Mandatory Units	Credits	Cert	Intro Dip	Diploma
UNIT 1: Art and Design in Context	10	M13	M13	M13
Optional Units – SINGLE AWARD				
UNIT 61: Fine Art Painting	10	O13	O13	O13
UNIT 60: Fine Art Drawing	10	O13	O13	O13
UNIT 11: How artists and designers use 3D materials, techniques and processes	10		O14	O13
UNIT 12: Planning, researching and developing ideas for a specialist art or design brief	10		O14	O14
UNIT 13: Realising an outcome for a specialist art or Design Brief	10		O14	O14
<i>M = Mandatory Unit / O = Optional Unit</i>				
<i>13 = Yr.13 (First year of Sixth Form) / 14 = Yr.14 (Second year of Sixth Form)</i>				
Coursework/ Portfolio details:				
Portfolios may also include:				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Critical/contextual work, which could include written material such as journals, reviews, reflections and evaluations, annotations and historical background material. Evidence may be included from books, journals, moving images, photographs, digital presentations and the internet, as well as studies made during a residency, site, gallery or museum visit. Sketchbooks, workbooks, journals. Alternatively, students may wish to present a series of related images mounted on sheets. 				
Examination Details:				
How will I be assessed?				
You will be assessed in a way that corresponds with working practices in the Creative Industries and therefore you will have no written exams or assessments . You will be asked to complete assignments and project briefs and work to internally agreed deadlines. Your work will be first marked by your tutors and then an external moderator will review it on a visit to the school.				
Career Opportunities:				
There are lots of career opportunities within the Creative Industries, this is an industry which is growing in N Ireland .				
Below are just some career paths available to students with A Level Art & Design: Fashion designer; Fashion buyer; Textile designer; Textile artist; Animator; Architect; Concept artist; Set designer; Costume designer; Video game designer; Web design; Cartoonist; Make Up Artist; Illustrator; Fine artist; Curator; Art teacher; Art historian; Art Therapist.				
Head of Department/ Lead Teacher				
Mrs C Slack				

Applied Science	
Exam Board:	OCR
Level:	Cambridge Technical Level 3 Extended Certificate
Specific Entry Requirements	
Ideally students should have GCSE Science Double Award at Grade C*C* or above, or a high scoring C* at GCSE Science Single Award	
Course Content:	
Three units of work and 2 examinations across AS and A2 level.	
Coursework/ Portfolio details:	
<p>AS level Unit 6 – Control of Hazards in the Laboratory Unit 18 - Microbiology</p> <p>A2 level Unit 18 – Microbiology Unit 21 – Product testing techniques</p>	
Examination Details:	
<p>AS level Unit 1 - Science fundamentals</p> <p>A2 level Unit 2 – Laboratory techniques</p>	
Career Opportunities:	
The study of Level 3 Applied Science provides a solid foundation for further study of Science courses in Higher Education. In addition, it provides a worthwhile course for students in terms of general education and lifelong learning.	
Head of Department Mrs C Taylor	

Business	
Exam Board:	OCR
Level:	Cambridge Technical Extended Certificate in Business
Specific Entry Requirements	
None	
Course Content:	
<p>This qualification will provide pupils with the skills, knowledge and understanding of the world of business including the areas of Management, Marketing, Accounting, Human Resources and Economics. The course is based on a vocational structure where pupils engage with local and national businesses to examine how they operate and apply these experiences to their learning. Pupils will visit businesses to gain an in-depth understanding of the various departments of a business and how these work together to contribute to the overall success of the business. Pupils will also develop an understanding of how the government and their policies affect businesses both nationally and internationally.</p>	
Coursework/ Portfolio details:	
Pupils will study 5 units including The Business Environment, Working in Business, Business Decisions, Customers and Communication and Accounting Concepts.	
Examination Details:	
The course is assessed by 3 external exam units and 2 coursework units.	
Career Opportunities:	
<p>Business Studies is useful for almost all careers. It is particularly relevant if you wish to work in the areas of ICT, Human Resources, Marketing, Administration or Finance. It is also useful if you want to be an entrepreneur and set up your own business or to help run a family business.</p> <p>If you decide to go to university, it will be accepted for most degree courses as it is an excellent general A-Level. Past pupils have progressed to a wide range of degree courses including ICT, Human Resources, Accounting, Marketing, Law and Teaching.</p>	
Head of Department/ Lead Teacher	
Mrs P Surgenor	

Health and Social Care

EXAM BOARD:	BTEC PEARSON (Extended Certificate)
LEVEL:	GCE A Level

SPECIFIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

GCSE Child Development is desirable but not essential.
Grade C in English GCSE is desirable

COURSE CONTENT:

AS - 2 Units in total
Exam – Human Lifespan and Development (Sept – Jan)
Coursework – Meeting Individual Care and Support Needs (Jan – June)

A2 – 2 Units in total
Exam – Working in Health and Social Care (Sept – Jan)
Coursework – Unit 14 Physiological Disorders and their Care. (Jan – June)

CONTROLLED ASSESSMENT/ COURSEWORK DETAILS:

See above

EXAMINATION DETAILS:

See above

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

Health and Social Care provides a wide range of opportunities within many areas of the Health, Social Care and Early Years sectors. Students can progress onto degree courses, further education courses or develop their skills further within employment.

Health and Social Care can lead students into many careers e.g. teaching, nursing, classroom assistant, midwifery, speech and language therapy, occupational therapy, mental health, criminology, social work etc.

Students will have an opportunity to engage in work experience in a variety of settings.

HEAD OF DEPARTMENT

Mrs S. Cummings

IT

EXAM BOARD:	OCR
LEVEL:	Level 3 Cambridge Technical Introductory Diploma
SPECIFIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:	
Sixth Form entry	
COURSE CONTENT:	
Unit 1: Fundamentals of IT A sound understanding of IT technologies and practices is essential for IT professionals. Information learnt in this unit will provide a solid foundation in the fundamentals of hardware, networks, software, the ethical use of computers and how business uses IT.	
Unit 2: Global Information This unit will provide you with a greater understanding of how organisations use information sources both internally and externally and the types of information you will encounter. The skills gained by completing this unit will give you knowledge of the functionality of information and how data is stored and processed by organisations. You will also learn about how individuals use information of various types.	
Unit 6: Application Design The world is increasingly reliant on applications that help individuals, businesses and organisations achieve specific activities or purposes. In this unit you will explore potential ideas for a new application and develop the fundamental design for it. You will then develop the designs for an application and how users will interact with it. The application that you design can be for any sector and for any purpose. You will have the opportunity to present your ideas, prototype them, and gain feedback before refining your design.	
Unit 13: Social Media and Digital Marketing The use of social media has increased massively over recent years and is now a worldwide phenomenon. Digital marketing is part of the overall process of marketing and is the use of digital media to increase awareness of a product or service. As social media offers such a wealth of data and the ability to contact potential customers in their own homes across a range of media channels, it is only natural that digital marketing seeks to use social media as part of the marketing mix for goods and services. This unit looks at digital marketing as a concept and then offers you the opportunity to explore the possible impacts, both positive and negative, that may be generated by the use of social media as a digital marketing tool.	
Unit 17: Internet of Things This unit is about the use of the internet and how it is impacting people and society. You will learn about the Internet of Everything (IoE) and how it is used. Using your knowledge you will carry out a feasibility study for a potential idea. You will pitch your idea to potential stakeholders and use their feedback to revise your proposal.	
COURSEWORK DETAILS:	
The following units will be internally assessed through a portfolio of work: Unit 6: Application Design Unit 13: Social Media and Digital Marketing Unit 17: Internet of Things	
EXAMINATION DETAILS:	
Unit 1: Fundamentals of IT – Externally assessed (1½ hours examination) Unit 2: Global Information – Externally assessed (1½ hours examination based on pre-release material)	
CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:	
Archivist, Cartographer, Computer games developer, Computer games tester, Computer service and repair technician, Database administrator, Data entry clerk, E-learning developer, Forensic computer analyst, Helpdesk professional, Indexer, Information scientist, IT project manager, IT security coordinator, IT support technician, IT trainer, Software Developer, Systems analyst, Teacher, Technical architect or IT systems architect, Technical author, Web content manager, Web designer, Web developer, Web editor	
HEAD OF DEPARTMENT/ LEAD TEACHER:	
Mr P Beattie	

Geography	
Exam Board:	CCEA
Level:	GCE A Level
Specific Entry Requirements	
Desirable criteria: C in GCSE Geography	
Course Content:	
AS Unit 1 – Physical Geography	
<p>River Systems: Processes and features of fluvial systems, and Human Interaction with these environments</p> <p>Ecosystems: Global biomes – tundra, tropical rainforest, hot desert and temperate grassland; Plant succession and an understanding of how ecosystems work</p> <p>Weather and Climate: Atmospheric processes; Mid-latitude weather systems and Global weather issues such as hurricanes and El Nino/ La Nina</p>	
AS Unit 2 – Human Geography	
<p>Population: How do we collect population data; Population structure and Resources</p> <p>Settlement: Challenges and planning issues for rural environments; Challenges for urban environments</p> <p>Development: The nature and measurement of development; issues of development</p>	
AS Unit 3 – Fieldwork skills and Techniques	
Develop the skills necessary to investigate a range of geographical and environmental issues.	
A2 Unit 1 – Physical processes, Landforms and Management	
<p>Plate Tectonics – Theory and Outcomes: Plate tectonics; Volcanic activity and its management; Earthquake activity and its management</p> <p>Tropical Ecosystems – Nature and Sustainability: Location and climate of tropical ecosystems: the Tropical Rainforest ecosystem; and the Sustainable Management of Tropical ecosystems</p>	
A2 Unit 2 – Human Geography	
<p>Ethnic diversity: What is ethnicity; the processes which create and maintain ethnic diversity; and ethnic conflict</p> <p>Tourism: Issues in Tourism and the Ecotourism debate</p>	
A2 Unit 3- Decision making exercise: Students are presented with a variety of resources and are asked to adopt a particular role. They must make a decision based upon information provided regarding a real life scenario.	
Coursework/ Portfolio details:	
No Controlled Assessment or Coursework component	
Examination Details:	
<p>AS Level – There are 3 exams held at the end of the AS year. The AS exams are worth 40% of the full A2 Level.</p> <p>A2 Level – There are 3 exams held at the end of the A2 year. The A2 exams are worth 60% of the final A-Level.</p>	
Career Opportunities:	
<p>A number of our students have gone on to further education courses in Agriculture, Horticulture, Marine Biology, Geography with ICT, Geography with History/Business and Geography with Education, Environmental Science, Event Management and Transportation.</p> <p>The skills developed throughout the study of this subject (such as decision-making, research techniques and analytical skills) prepare students for work within a wide range of careers including the Travel and Tourism industry, the renewable energy sector, Zoology, Town planning, Journalism, any environmental related work, Architecture and even Politics amongst others</p>	
Head of Department/ Lead Teacher	
Mrs K Armstrong	

Government and Politics

EXAM BOARD:	CCEA
LEVEL:	GCE A Level

SPECIFIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:
GCSE Grade C in English or above is desirable

COURSE CONTENT:
AS1 – The Government and Politics of Northern Ireland <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Principles, content and implementation of the Good Friday Agreement• The Northern Ireland Assembly and its main functions• The Executive Committee and its effectiveness• The Northern Ireland political parties – background, strategies and policies of the parties• Electoral support in Northern Ireland
AS2 – The British Political Process <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parliament (Main functions of the House of Commons and House of Lords)• Executive (Role and power of the Prime Minister, cabinet and legislature)• The British judiciary• Pressure groups in the United Kingdom
A21 – The Government and Politics of the United States of America and the United Kingdom <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The government and politics of the USA – the legislative branch• The executive branch of the USA government• Comparison between the structures, powers and operation of Congress and UK Parliament• Comparison between the executive process in the USA and UK
A22 – Political Power <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Factors involved in the exercise of political power• Examination of power, coercion, legitimacy, dictatorship, authoritarianism, oligarchy, democracy, human and civil rights• Theories of political power – Pluralism, Marxism, elite theory and feminism• Diffusion of power, ruling class, elite power and patriarchy

EXAMINATION DETAILS:
AS1 and AS2 to be taken in the summer series of Year 13 (Worth 40% of overall mark) A21 and A22 will be taken in the summer series of Year 14 (Worth 60% of overall mark)

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:
Studying Government and Politics helps to develop your critical thinking and communication skills. It provides you with a sound basis for continuing study at further or higher education levels, either in Politics or other subjects. It will enhance skills such as interpreting and managing information, decision making and problem-solving. Studying Government and Politics is an excellent preparation for many careers and can open up opportunities for employment in areas such as politics, political research, business, finance, government services, education, journalism and public services.

HEAD OF DEPARTMENT/ LEAD TEACHER:
Mr. C McLaren

History

EXAM BOARD:

CCEA

LEVEL:

GCE A Level

SPECIFIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

GCSE Grade C or above is desirable

COURSE CONTENT:

AS1 – Germany 1919-1945 (Historical Investigations & Interpretation)

- The Weimar Republic: 1919-29
- The decline of the Weimar Republic 1929-33 and the rise of the Nazis
- Developments in Nazi Germany 1933-39
- The impact of the War on Nazi Germany 1939-45
- The impact of the War on occupied territories in Eastern Europe 1939-45

AS2 – Ireland: 1821-1867 (Historical Conflict & Change)

- The Campaign for Catholic Emancipation 1821-1829
- Lichfield House Compact 1835-1841
- Repeal of the Act of Union 1841-1847
- The Irish Famine 1845-1851
- The Fenian Rebellion 1867

A21 – Class of ideologies 1900-2000 (Change Over Time)

- Russia and Europe 1900-17
- Revolutionary Russia and opposition from Western governments 1917-33
- The struggle for survival 1933-45
- The search for security 1945-56
- Co-operation and coexistence 1956-79
- Soviet aggression, decline and collapse 1979-91

A22 – The Partition of Ireland 1900-1925 (Historical Investigations & Interpretation)

- The crisis over the 3rd Home Rule Bill up until September 1914
- The impact of WW1 on Ireland 1914-18
- The Easter Rising and the changing political climate 1916-1918
- Political developments 1919-23
- Northern Ireland 1921-1925

EXAMINATION DETAILS:

AS1 and AS2 to be taken in the summer series of Year 13 (Worth 40% of overall mark)

A21 and A22 will be taken in the summer series of Year 14 (Worth 60% of overall mark)

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

History gives pupils an understanding and appreciation of the events and people who have shaped the past and the world we live in. It empowers pupils to become thinking citizens of the 21st century by learning to defend their views whilst listening and responding to opposing ideas.

History can open up a wide range of opportunities. You will develop skills that are transferable and highly sought after by employers. Many History students go on to have interesting careers in the media, politics, teaching, business, finance or civil service. History can also lead to more specialist careers such as an archaeologist, archivist, historical researcher, solicitor, barrister, museum curator or genealogist.

HEAD OF DEPARTMENT/ LEAD TEACHER:

Mr. C McLaren

Religious Studies	
Exam Board:	CCEA
Level:	GCE A Level
Specific Entry Requirements	
Grade C or above in GCSE Short Course or Full Course is desirable	
Course Content:	
<p>Textual Studies AS 1: An Introduction to the Gospel of Luke</p> <p>Systematic Study of One Religion AS 4: The Origins and Development of the Early Christian Church to AD 325</p> <p>Textual Studies A2 1: Themes in the Synoptic Gospels</p> <p>Systematic Study of One Religion A2 4: Themes in the Early Church and the Church Today</p>	
Coursework/ Portfolio details:	
N/A	
Examination Details:	
AS – Two exam papers - Each paper 1 hr 20 mins long A2 – Two exam papers – Each paper 2 hours long	
Career Opportunities:	
<p>Religion plays an important role in our society and can influence what people think, feel, and believe. Through studying Religious Studies, students get a broad look at how religion and spirituality form the basis of our culture.</p> <p>Religious Studies also helps students develop marketable skills and aptitudes including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • analytical and strategic thinking; • research skills; • critical judgment; • the ability to work with abstract, conceptual ideas; • an ability to 'understand both sides' and negotiate and resolve conflict; • problem-solving skills; • leadership skills; • understanding of the impact of conflicting ideologies; and • an appreciation of human diversity, belief systems, cultural and spiritual experiences. <p>These skills are particularly useful for future careers in law, education, social work, politics, medicine, administration or the media.</p>	
Head of Department	
Mrs P Roulston	

Sport and Physical Activity

EXAM BOARD:	OCR
LEVEL:	Level 3 Cambridge Technical Extended Certificate

SPECIFIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:
A merit grade or above in GCSE Sport is desirable.

COURSE CONTENT:
Year 13 Three units studied: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Body systems and the effects of physical activity (Exam)▪ Sports coaching and activity leadership (Coursework)▪ Sports Injuries and Rehabilitation (Coursework) Year 13 pupils may achieve an OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Certificate.
Year 14 Two units studied: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Sports organization and development (Exam)▪ Sport Psychology (Coursework) Year 14 pupils may achieve an OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Extended Certificate.

CONTROLLED ASSESSMENT/ COURSEWORK DETAILS:
There are three coursework units, 2 in Year 13 and 1 in Year 14. These are assessed internally and then externally by a visiting moderator.

EXAMINATION DETAILS:
There are two exams, one in Year 13 and one in Year 14.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:
Sport lends itself to a range of careers in sports and fitness as well as other industries that you may not have considered before. University Degree, Teacher / Coaching, Leisure Manager, Sports Development, Fitness Instructor, Health Promotion, Sports Physio, Exercise Physiologist, Sports Analyst

HEAD OF DEPARTMENT:
Mr R Cowan

Travel and Tourism

EXAM BOARD:	Pearson BTEC National
LEVEL:	Level 3 Extended Certificate (equivalent to 1 A Level)

SPECIFIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

None

COURSE CONTENT:

COURSE CONTENT: Year 13 Unit 2: Global Destinations (exam) Unit 9: Visitor Attractions (coursework) Year 14 Unit 1: The World of Travel and Tourism (exam) Unit 3: Principles of Marketing in Travel and Tourism (coursework)

CONTROLLED ASSESSMENT/ COURSEWORK DETAILS:

Students complete coursework for two units and complete exams in the other 2 units. In the coursework units - students will work at these over a long period of time but will need to ensure that they hit internally set deadlines. Students will require access to a computer/laptop.

EXAMINATION DETAILS:

One exam in Y13 and one exam in Y14.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

The Travel and Tourist industry is one of the fastest growing industries in NI – there are a range of careers available in the food, drink, hospitality and hotel businesses. Transport and museum services are also growing. This subject will prepare you for a role in management in the Travel industry but will also give you practical information about Travel and experience in managing the needs of customers and providing customer service.

Lead Teacher :

Mr T Manson

COPE – Certificate of Personal Effectiveness

EXAM BOARD:	CCEA
LEVEL:	A Pass in CoPE is equivalent to a Grade E at A Level

SPECIFIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

None

COURSE CONTENT:

Three challenges will be undertaken these are:

- Research and Presentation Skills
- Enrichment Activities
- Career Planning

Pupils will develop their skills in the following areas:

- Working with Others
- Improving own learning and performance
- Problem solving
- Planning and carrying out research
- Communicating through discussion
- Planning and giving an oral presentation

The aims of the qualification are to enable candidates:

- To develop and demonstrate a range of personal, key and employability skills leading to personal effectiveness.
- To broaden their experience and manage learning through enrichment activities.
- To receive formal recognition and accreditation for the above.

CONTROLLED ASSESSMENT/ COURSEWORK DETAILS:

Learners produce a portfolio containing evidence of all of the units through their chosen three separate challenges.

EXAMINATION DETAILS:

This is an entirely portfolio based subject.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

Cope will contribute to all career opportunities as it is fundamental in the development of the pupil as an individual within society.

HEAD OF DEPARTMENT/ LEAD TEACHER:

Mrs K Armstrong



Millennium Volunteers Internship Programme

Many of our Y13 students take the opportunity to be part of our NEW Internship volunteer programme. Students can take part in some community service within the school, in local primary schools or within the local community. They will keep a careful log of the number of hours that they serve – their aim is to get 200 hours of service. This will allow them to gain the Award of Excellence which is recognized by major universities.

We are keen to reward students who are already serving their local community but also for those who are looking for opportunities to serve. Internships could include:

- *Work in local community projects (planting/maintenance/litter)*
- *Work in local primary schools (Reading Partners/ mentoring/ buddies/ LSA support/ Primary school Tech help)*
- *Digital leader support in school*
- *Caretaking support*
- *Office and reprographics support*
- *Junior Sports team coaching*
- *Work in local care home*

Contact Details

For further information on the Sixth Form offer for next year please contact Mr T Manson (Vice Principal).

*Colour versions of the **Sixth Form Prospectus** can be viewed and downloaded from the College web site at www.cullybackeycollege.org.uk.*

