



## ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (EAL) PROVISION 2023-24

### SUMMARY EAL INFORMATION

All students who require EAL language support receive a minimum of two EAL classes in each week, which is supported by a 1:1 tutor for the exam.

AN EXAM CHARGE OF EITHER €220 OR €750 WILL APPEAR ON THE DECEMBER FEE INVOICE OF ALL STUDENTS THAT RECEIVE EAL AND IS NON-NEGOTIABLE.

All Form 1 students staying on for Form 2 must prepare for the Cambridge B1 PET or higher.

All Form 2 students staying on for Form 3 must prepare for the Cambridge B2 1

Certificate, although they will not sit the exam until they are in Form 3.

All Form 4 students staying on for Form 5 must prepare for the Cambridge B2 and aim for a B2 A Grade.

Students entering at Form 5 should already be at B2 Cambridge Level and can begin studying for the C1 Cambridge exam to assist with their Leaving Certificate preparation.

IF YOUR CHILD HAS ALREADY TAKEN AN ENGLISH CERTIFICATE EXAM, PLEASE EMAIL US A COPY OF THE EXAM CERTIFICATE.

## DETAILED EAL INFORMATION

### EAL Classes (included in school fees)

All international students who require language support receive two class periods of EAL per week (three where needed in Form 5 & 6) and are given extra work to do in their other free class periods, when not doing Irish or another European language.

All international students who do not have English as their native language are required to take an exam at the end of the year, whether they are one year only or staying on. For those taking the Cambridge exam there is an additional charge to cover the 30 double period classes that they require over and above the two class periods they already receive per week. Those taking the alternative exams will prepare in the two class periods per week.

### Enrolment English Testing Requirement

All Student applicants are assessed for English verbally at interview, and through an online 'Password' test, depending on their Form entry point. Some will already have Cambridge

