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S4 PARENTS' INFORMATION EVENING 21st October 2021



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- Welcome and introduction Mr Taylor

- The year ahead Dr Phelps



- Level of qualification
- SQA Exam Diet
- Prelims
- Keeping you informed
- Supporting your child



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Aims

- St Benedict's is a school which fosters ambition
- Provides opportunities for every young person to flourish and grow spiritually, emotionally and academically

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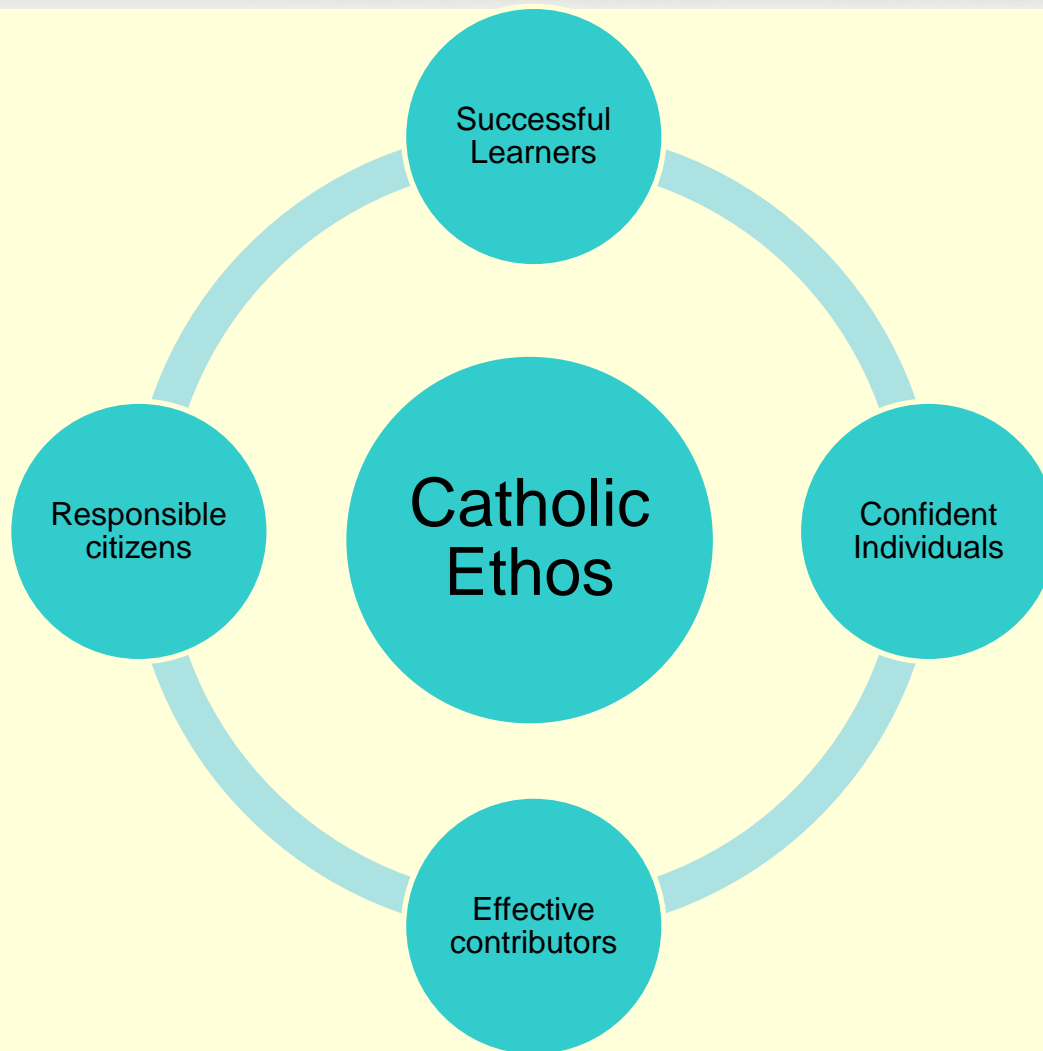
Key Features

- Effective curriculum
- High quality learning experiences
- High expectations

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SQA RESULTS

	16-17	17-18	18-19	19-20	20-21
5+ National 5 Awards	40%	42%	45%	47%	47%





Senior Phase

- Working towards **qualifications**
- **Challenge** and **depth** to learning
- More **formal** assessments
- **Planning** beyond school
- **Promoting** an active and healthy lifestyle





Progression pathways

	BGE	Senior Phase		
	CfE Levels	S4	S5	S6
Pupil A	3 rd /4 th	N5	Highers	Advanced Highers
Pupil B	3 rd /4 th	N4/N5	N5/H /Vocational	Highers /Vocational
Pupil C	2 nd /3 rd	N3/N4	N4/N5 Vocational	N5 /Vocational



7	Advanced Higher, Awards, Scottish Baccalaureate
6	Higher, Awards, Skills for Work Higher
5	National 5, Awards, Skills for Work National 5
4	National 4, Awards, Skills for Work National 4
3	National 3, Awards, Skills for Work National 3
2	National 2, Awards
1	National 1, Awards

Almost all of our S4 pupils will be studying **National 4 (N4)** and **National 5 (N5)** qualifications or a combination of both



Supporting our
young people onto
positive destinations:

Work

Apprenticeships

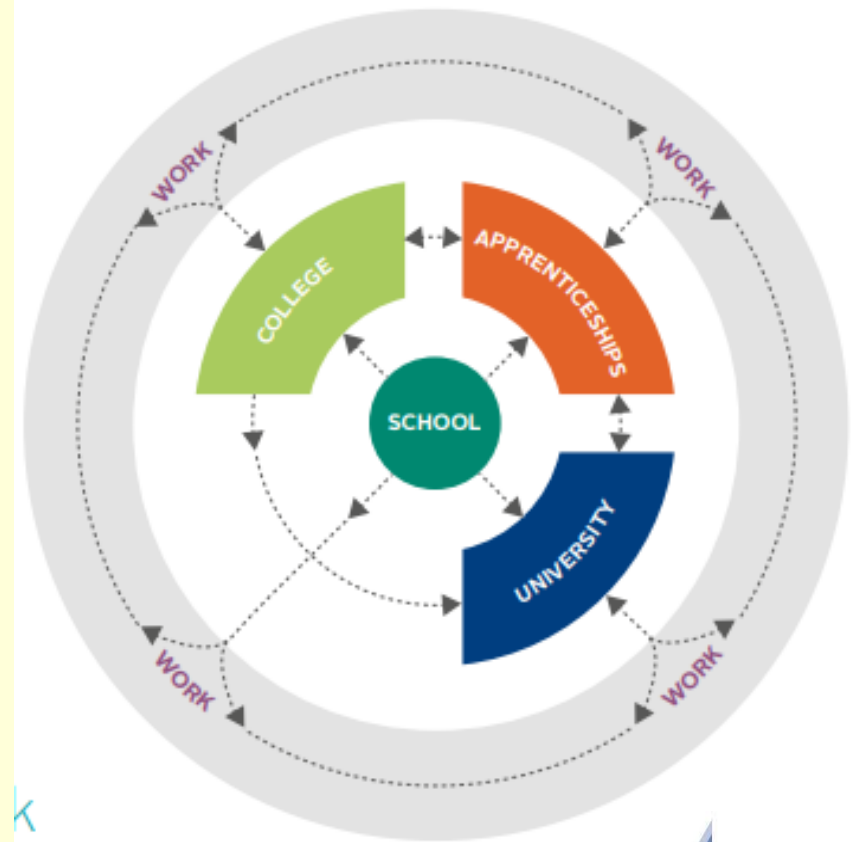
College

University

Combination of the
above

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Learning Opportunities: Pathways for All





Working towards qualifications

- **N4** internally assessed using SQA produced assessments
 - Date decided in school
- **N5** will have an externally assessed exam
 - Date decided by the SQA
 - **26 April – 1 June 2022**





SQA diet of exams

- **26 April – 1 June 2022**
- Timetable available on SQA web site (click on link to download)
- Planning for this schedule of exams



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- Fully expect SQA exams to run as scheduled
- SQA have recognised the significant disruption to teaching and learning – and have adjusted courses
- Working to prepare senior phase pupils for exams



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Prelims
Monday 10 January

until

Friday 21 January



Keeping you informed

Tracking reports

October 4th

December 6th

March 28th



Parents' Evening (on-line)

October 28th

Full report (with comments)

February 23rd

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What evidence will inform reports

- **Classwork**
- Assessments in class
- **Prelims**
- Attitude including homework



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Tracking reports:

- Attendance information
- Level of study (N4 /N5)
- Effort, behaviour and homework
- Working and target grades

Class	Attendance	No. of lates
.2	90.79%	1

Study Level	TG	WG	E	B	H
NAT5	1	5	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent

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Attainment Information

Working grade and target grade

Teacher & Subject	Study Level	TG	WG	E	B	H
Art & Design, Ms Carvill	NAT5	1	3	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Chemistry, Mrs Sutherland	NAT5	1	1	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Computing studies, Ms Olsen	NAT5	1	1	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
English, Miss Lauder	NAT5	1	1	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
History, Mr Sinclair	NAT5	1	1	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Mathematics, Mrs Gallagher, Mr Morris	NAT5	1	1	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Physics, Mr Andrew	NAT5	1	1	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent

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Target -setting

Working grade

Study Level	TG	WG
NATS	1	3

Working Grade

level of attainment for all National courses that your child is **currently working** at.

This is based on evidence from classwork, assessments, and level of application.

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Target -setting

Target grade

Study Level	10	11
MATG	1	2

Target Grade

This is the level, agreed following discussion, which the teacher thinks your child **is capable of achieving.**

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Target Grade

Teachers will discuss with pupils what they must do to progress to this **target grade**. These are set carefully using a range of information such as prior attainment across learning, school-based assessment data, the pupil's own aspiration and teacher judgement





National 5

Grade	1	3	5	7	9
Level	A	B	C	D	No award

National 4: Awarded on a pass/fail basis

Grade	1	3	5	7	9
Work rate	Excellent	Very good	Good	Needs improvement	
Level	Pass	Pass	Pass	No Award	No award

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Extra support

- Lunch-time supported study
- After school supported study
- Saturday sessions
- Easter school



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On-line resources

- Resources on class TEAMS page



- SQA web-site



- Bitesize N5 Subjects



- E-sgoil: live on-line lessons and resources





And also.....

Assigned to a **staff mentor**

- closer look at next steps and targets
- Support with strategies and advice

Study skills workshops

- Dedicated series of workshops
- Study techniques
- Growth mindset

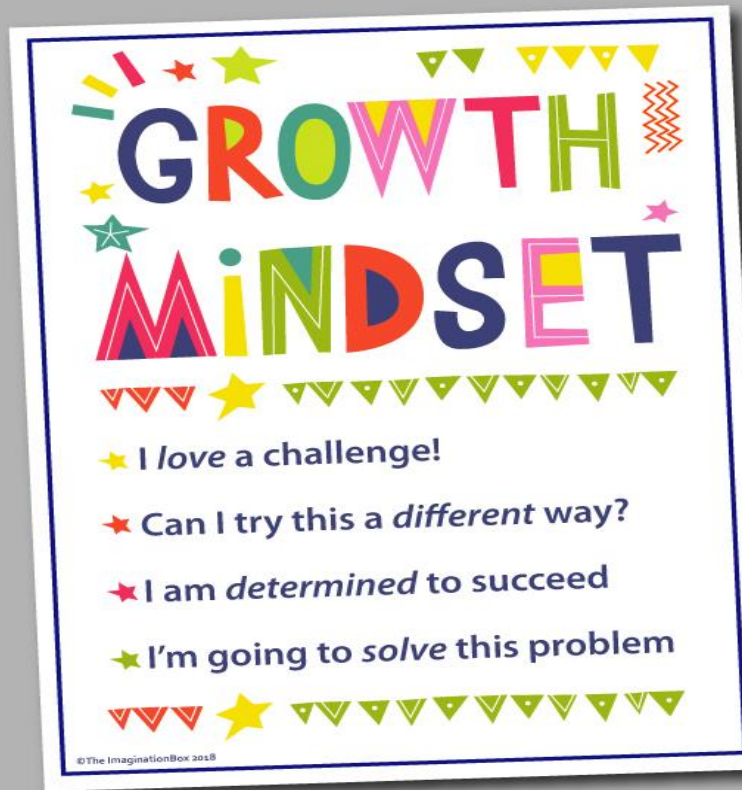
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How can you support your child?

“It’s just too hard... I can’t do it!”



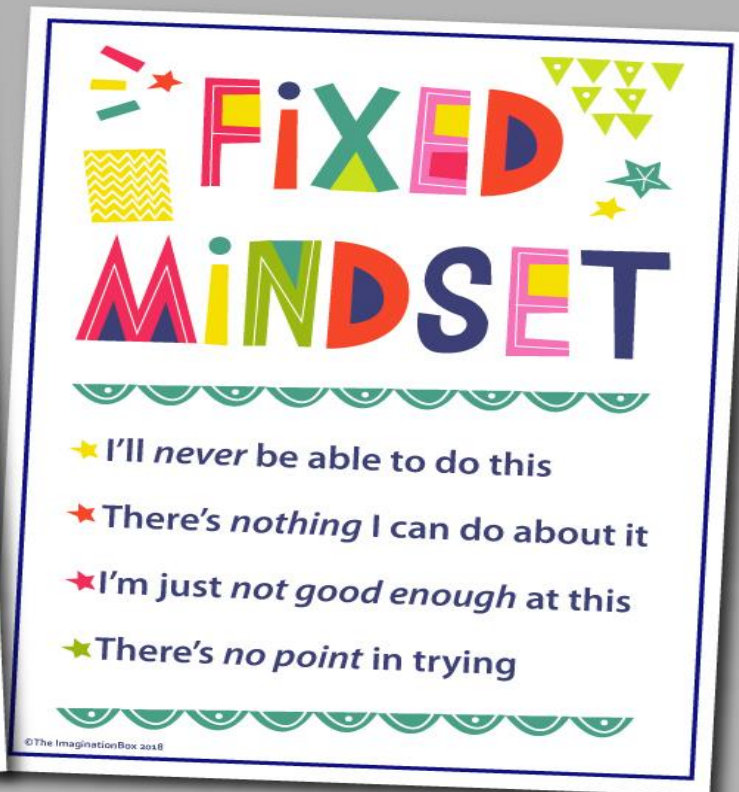
Mindset...the power of yet....



GROWTH
MINDSET

- ★ I love a challenge!
- ★ Can I try this a *different way*?
- ★ I am *determined* to succeed
- ★ I'm going to *solve* this problem

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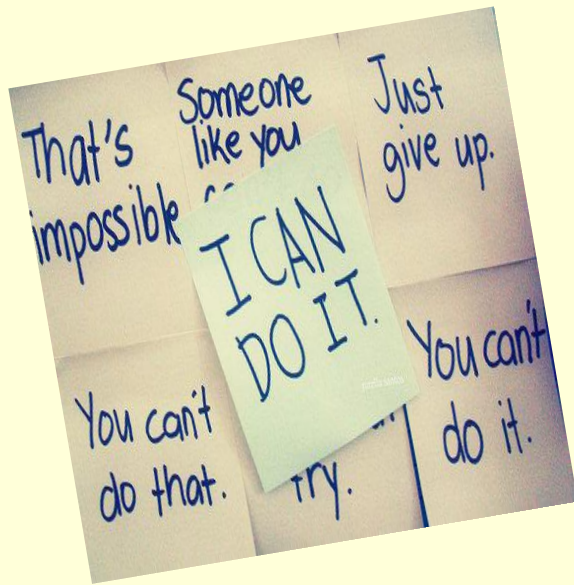


FIXED
MINDSET

- ★ I'll *never* be able to do this
- ★ There's *nothing* I can do about it
- ★ I'm just *not good enough* at this
- ★ There's *no point* in trying

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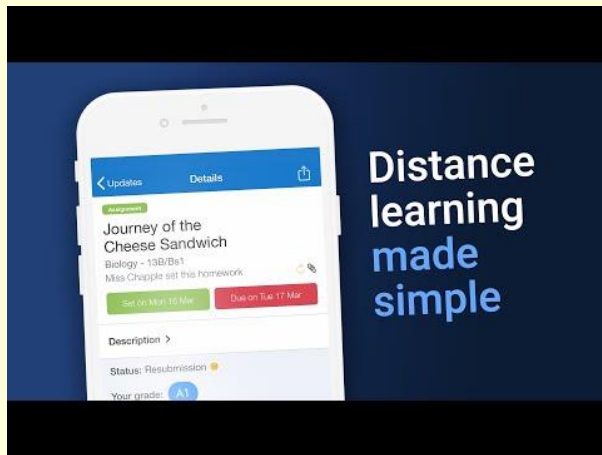
How can you support your child?



- Providing **quiet study space** and time
- Checking **homework**
- Developing '**study timetable**'
- Encouraging **a sleep pattern**
- Rehearse with them, listen to them and **ask them about their work.**

Managing homework

- What homework is set and when it is due



Log-in – password
Notifications about homework
Check-ins



How can you support your child?



Week 1	4-5	5-6	6-7	7-8	8-9
Monday	Homework	Dinner & Relaxation	Revision (Spanish)	TV	Read
Tuesday	Music Lesson	Dinner & Relaxation	Homework	Art work	Computer
Wednesday	Homework	Dinner & Relaxation	Revision (History / English)	Football	Football
Thursday	Homework	Dinner & Relaxation	Revision (Maths)	Computer	Read
Friday	Football	Dinner & Relaxation	Cinema	Cinema	Cinema



Download the App

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Active Study Skills.....

- Note – making
- **Summarising** notes to key points
- **Teaching** a friend
- **Selecting** info for flashcards – key points / definitions



Any questions?

- Contact pastoral care teacher
- Contact year head (Dr Phelps)
- [Webpage](#)/Twitter feed ([@stbenedictsren](#))
- [SQA website](#)



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