St. Joseph of Cluny - Killiney, Ireland

St. Joseph of Cluny Secondary School (founded in 1956) is a girl's day school run by the Sisters of Cluny. While the school has a catholic ethos, students of all faiths are accepted and welcomed. Its principal aims are to provide conditions which promote the intellectual, moral, physical, social and spiritual development of the pupils. The school aims to offer a school programme characterised by the highest standards of teaching and learning and to respond to the needs and abilities of all the pupils. The objective is to develop a school community where co-operation, initiative, justice loyalty and respect are actively encouraged.

A high priority is given to academic excellence and examination results show pupil performance to be consistently above national averages. In line with the school philosophy, efforts are also made to promote interest in each subject for its own sake. Junior pupils are helped to mature, to widen their interests, and to lay a good foundation for the Senior Cycle.



Key Facts

LOCATION

- Killiney (South Dublin), IRELAND
- Population: 1,000,000
- Nearest Airport: Dublin

SCHOOL TYPE

- IREPS
- Girls, Catholic (accepts all faiths)

SIZE

450 students

ACCOMMODATION

Homestay

UNIFORM

Compulsory

AGE RANGE

• 4-18

EFL LESSONS

Available at extra cost



Facilities

ACADEMIC FACILITIES

- Two Art rooms
- Designated Computer and Geography classrooms
- Well stocked Library
- Concert Hall
- Several Music rooms
- Sewing room
- Oratory
- Two Science laboratories

SPORT & LEISURE FACILITIES

- £2m Sports complex
- Indoor gymnasium for hockey, basketball, badminton, table-tennis and tennis
- All-weather Hockey pitch
- Playing fields for Soccer, Gaelic Football and Athletics

School Ethos

The main purpose of a Cluny school is to be a centre of evangelisation, caring for the faith and overall development of each student in the context of the school and the wider Christian and civil community. All school activities and developments are assessed against this objective.

The Cluny school sees itself as a community characterised by warmth and simplicity. The entire school community, staff, students and parents create this atmosphere which is one of respect, trust, communication and co-operation. This does not preclude but is rather enriched by good discipline. Relationships, structures and systems within the school are constantly valued against these aims and values.





Subjects Offered

The curriculum of the school is that laid down by the Irish Department of Education for both Junior and Leaving Certificate Examinations. Subjects include:

Junior Cycle: Art, English, Irish, History, Geography, Mathematics, Science, Business Studies, Home Economics, Civics, Religious Studies, Physical Education.

Languages: French, German/Spanish (on alternate years)

Senior Cycle: Art, English, Irish, Accounting, Business Organisation, Economics, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, History, Geography, Home Economics, Religious Studies, Physical Education.

Languages: French, German/Spanish (on alternate years)

Extra Curricular Programme

The school wishes to enrich the lives of all the students by offering a wide range of academic subjects, extracurricular activities and other services. These include an annual musical, choral and instrumental music, debating, lectures from visiting speakers, school orchestra, school outings and tours, speech and drama, theatre visits, yoga together with the wide range of sports. There are a number of societies active in the school, such as Greenpeace. There is also an active Student Council in place.

