

# Meeting Parents of First Years 2022

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Mairead O'Halloran  
Deputy Principal




# *First Year Care Team 2022/23*

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Year Head	Kelly McGrath (November 2022)
Assistant Year Head	Anne Bennett
Learning Support Coordinator	Jane Daly
Guidance Counsellors	Eileen Crowley & Claire Sayers
Chaplain	Grace Mullins
Binchy	Margaret Shortall
Blackmore	Patricia McHenry
Buckley	Grainne Mulry
Coreless	Rachel Curran
Finucane	Emma Gredley
Guerin	Laura Healy
Harrington	Gearoid Ó' Riada
Robinson	Dáire Murphy



# Settling In – Induction Programme

Orientation Day  
– August 2022

Friendship Days

Sports Hours

Interfaith Service  
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>  
October

Glendalough  
Trips  
Spring 2023

Senior Mentors

Homework  
Club\*  
Mondays Only

# *Wellbeing Subjects*

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- The collection of Wellbeing Subjects are:
  - P.E. – Physical Education
  - S.P.H.E. – Social, Personal & Health Education
  - C.S.P.E. – Civic, Social & Political Education
  - Digital Media Literacy
  - Wired for Wellbeing



# *Wellbeing Programme in CCC*

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The collection of Wellbeing Subjects are allocated 400 hours over the three years to Junior Cycle as follows:

Subject	P.E.	S.P.H.E.	C.S.P.E.	Learning Units – Digital Literacy & Wired for Wellbeing
First Year	2 periods	2 periods	2 periods	1 period
Second Year	2 periods	2 periods	2 periods	1 period
Third Year	1 period	1 period	1 period	-



## *Wellbeing Indicators*

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## Tutorials & Weekly Assemblies

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Monday – Thursday  
8.50a.m. – 9.00a.m.

Friday 8.50a.m. –  
9.00a.m. New Sports Hall

Breakfast!!!!!!



# *Lockers*

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- Access to Lockers before tutorial, lunchtime & after School
- Ongoing issues with Locks



# *Books & Bags*

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Managing Books

Online Books – Download



# *Uniform*

Highly Compliant

Footwear

Outdoor Jackets

Label everything

Acceptable



Not acceptable







# Chaplaincy at Castleknock CC

# Chaplaincy

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Provide care and  
compassion to  
students and staff.

2

Provide the opportunity  
for all to engage in  
services and  
ceremonies

## Care and compassion

- One to one counselling as part of care team
  - Support students in crisis/loss/illness/bereavement
    - Retreat days
- Meditation room for quiet reflection

## Services and ceremonies

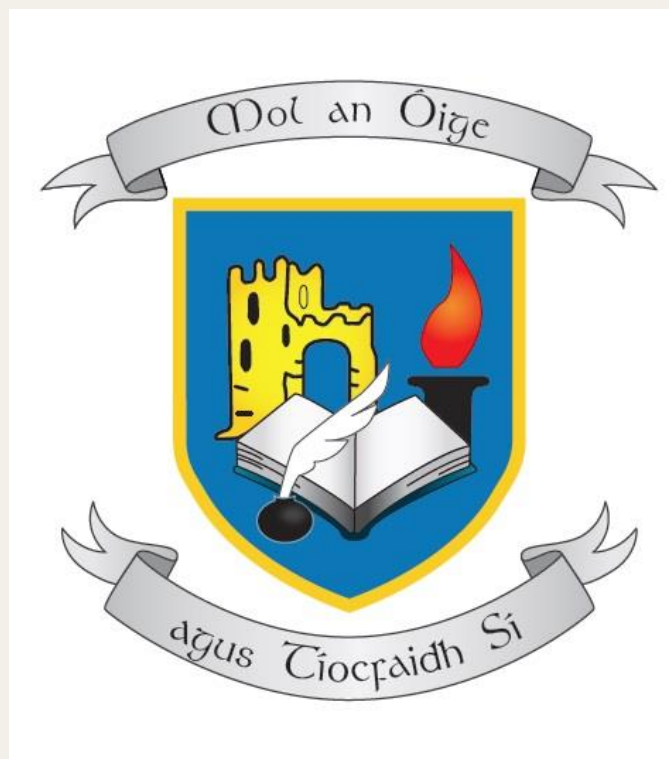
- Remembrance service
- Interfaith celebration
- Christmas carol service
  - Intercultural week
- 6th year graduation





Inter-faith  
group

Diversity  
team



# Personal Responsibility

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## Parents Contacting the School/Appointments


Parents who need to contact the College must follow the normal protocol: Phone the office 01-8221626

You can also use the email system to contact your daughter/son's tutor or year head.





## Attendance & Punctuality

- Parents may email their daughter/son's Tutor to inform them of any absence. This email should be sent to the tutor before 8.30a.m.
  - Students who are late for school will have their journal stamped and details recorded on VS Ware
  - Students who are late on two occasions will be placed on detention from 12.30p.m. – 1.30p.m. on Wednesdays
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# Contacting the College - emails

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Binchy	Margaret Shortall	margaretshortall@castleknockcc.ie
Blackmore	Patricia McHenry	patriciamchenry@castleknockcc.ie
Buckley	Grainne Mulry	grainnemulry@castleknockcc.ie
Coreless	Rachel Curran	rachelcurran@castleknockcc.ie
Finucane	Emma Gredley	emmagredley@castleknockcc.ie
Guerin	Laura Healy	laurahealy@castleknockcc.ie
Harrington	Gearoid Ó'Riada	gearoidoriada@castleknockcc.ie
Robinson	Dáire Murphy	dairemurphy@castleknockcc.ie

# *Collecting students for appointments.*

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- The student must notify her/his tutor if they must leave the College early for an appointment etc.
- Parents must place a note in their daughter/son's journal.
- The student will then make their way to the main office at the designated time and inform the secretary that they have permission to leave the College.
- If the student is being collected the student must remain in the reception area.

# *Extra Curricular Activities*

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- Choir Monday lunchtime, Room 44, Ms Staunton.
  - Inter Class Soccer League Tuesday lunchtime, outside, Sports Prefects
  - Inter class basketball leagues, Friday lunchtime, Sports Hall, Sports Prefects & Ms Cotter
  - Mindfulness and Yoga Thursday lunchtime, Room 32, Ms Adams
  - Debating Thursday lunchtime, Room 30, Debating Club
  - Orienteering October 19th, Ms McHenry
  - Boys GAA, Wednesday afternoon Mr Dempsey and Mr Sutton
  - Diversity |Committee Lunchtime Tuesday
  - Drama
  - LCA Concert



# *Lunchtime Arrangements*

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- Students can stay in for lunch or go home for lunch
- If students are going home to lunch, they must have the journal signed (See front of Journal)
- Students do not have permission to go to the shops
- Students have permission to go to Tir na nÓg at lunchtime (Litter)
- Activities taking place at lunchtime.

# *Entrance Assessment & Tracking Policy*

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- Copy forwarded to all Parents & Students
  - Baseline line data for the College
- Students who did not complete the test will be tested on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September 13.30- 15.30





# *VS Ware Parents' View*






# *VS Ware Parents View Presentation*

VS Ware is a secure web-enabled system for Student Records

- Accessing VS Ware
- Timetable
- Personal
- Term reports
- Attendance
- Behaviour
- Changing between siblings
- Signing out

21 September 2022



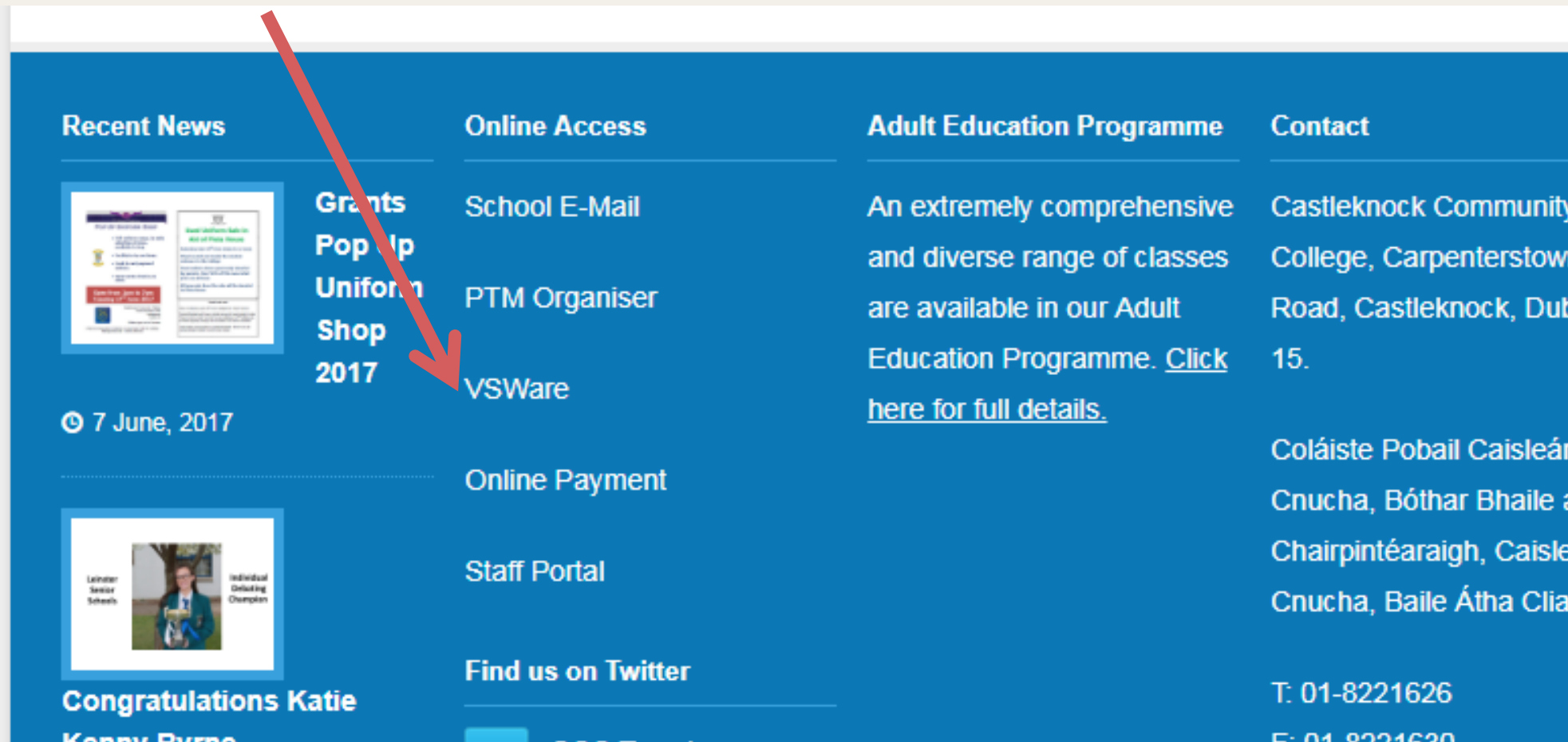
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- Secure login requires unique Username & Password
  - These were posted to you
  - Please keep details in a secure location

*Accessing  
Vs Ware*



*Access through  
website:  
[www.castleknockcc  
.ie](http://www.castleknockcc.ie)*



*Scroll to the bottom of the page and click the link for “VS Ware”*



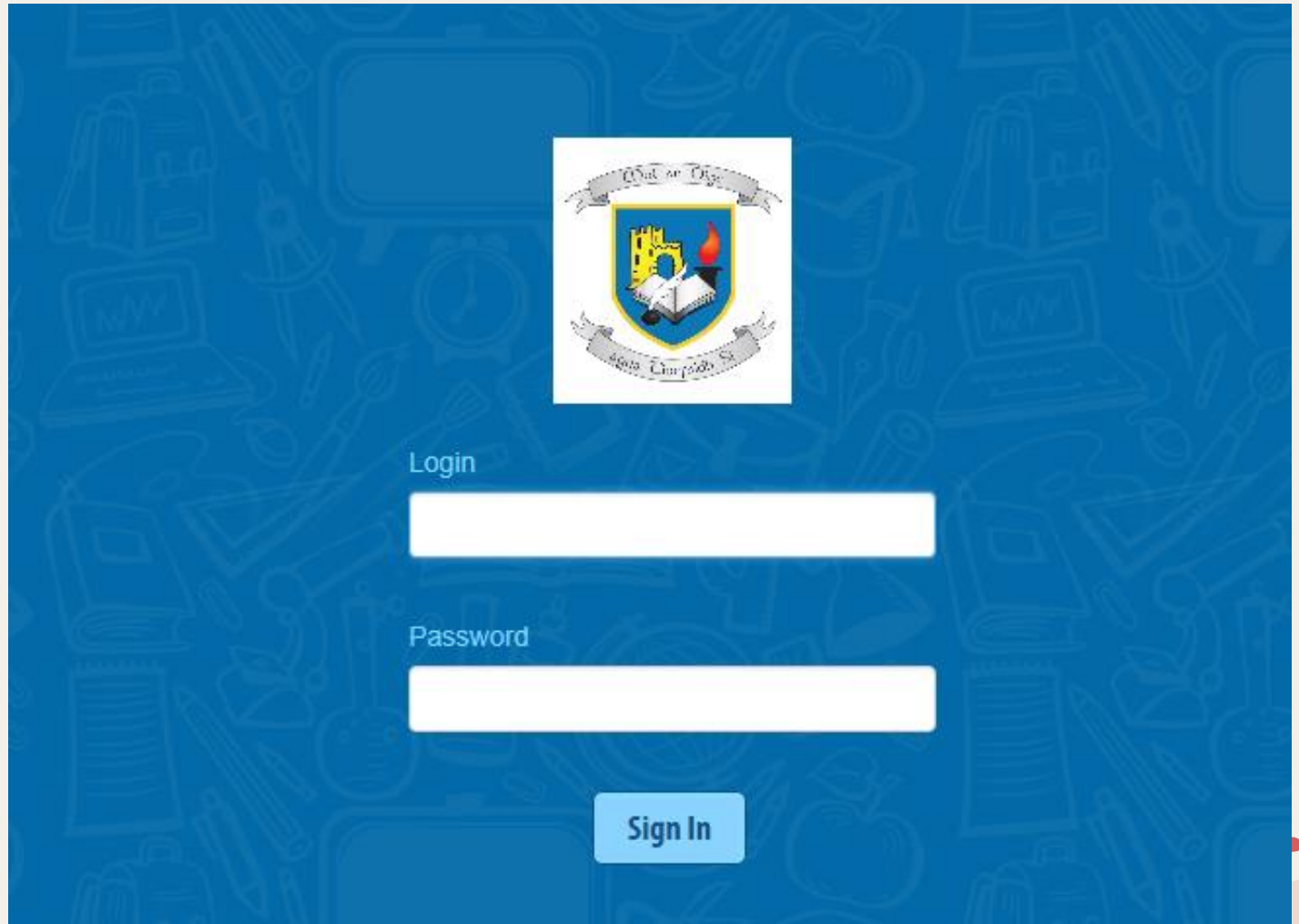
The screenshot shows the footer of a website with a blue background. A red arrow points from the top left towards the 'VSWare' link in the 'Online Access' column. The footer is organized into four main columns: 'Recent News', 'Online Access', 'Adult Education Programme', and 'Contact'.

Recent News	Online Access	Adult Education Programme	Contact
 <b>Grants Pop Up Uniform Shop 2017</b> 7 June, 2017	School E-Mail PTM Organiser <b>VSWare</b>	An extremely comprehensive and diverse range of classes are available in our Adult Education Programme. <a href="#">Click here for full details.</a>	Castleknock Community College, Carpenterstown Road, Castleknock, Dublin 15.  Coláiste Pobail Caisleán Cnucha, Bóthar Bhaile a Chairpintéaraigh, Caisleán Cnucha, Baile Átha Cliath
 <b>Congratulations Katie Kenny Byrne</b>	Online Payment  Staff Portal  Find us on Twitter		T: 01-8221626 E: 01-8221630



# Accessing Vs Ware

Use your unique username  
and password to log in



The login interface features a blue background with a pattern of faint, light-blue icons representing various educational and technological items like books, laptops, and tools. At the top center is the Vs Ware crest, which includes a shield with a yellow tower and a red flame, flanked by banners with the text 'Vs Ware' and 'Quality Education'.

Below the crest, the word 'Login' is displayed in a light blue font. Underneath is a white rectangular input field for the username. Below that, the word 'Password' is displayed in a light blue font, followed by another white rectangular input field for the password. At the bottom center is a light blue button with the text 'Sign In' in a darker blue font.

*PARENTS VIEW: PARENTS CAN  
ONLY VIEW (NOT CHANGE)  
INFORMATION ABOUT THEIR  
OWN CHILDREN*

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Timetables

Personal  
Information

Term Reports /  
Exam Results

Attendance  
Record – swipe in  
am/pm, class by  
class attendance

Behaviour



Hi, NAJMEEN

Student

Status: Timetabled to be in room RM10A with CONOR MILEY

No Filter

Personal

Term Reports

Attendance

Student Options

Behaviour

Timetable

13/10/2017

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00	<div>Tutorial</div> <div>French RM9A VICKIE STOKES 1Fre-1.3 09:00 - 09:40</div>	<div>Tutorial</div> <div>History RM 11 FURSEY D'ARCY 1His-E 09:00 - 09:40</div>	<div>Tutorial</div> <div>Irish RM 10 NIAMH O CONNOR 1Iri-E 09:00 - 09:40</div>	<div>Tutorial</div> <div>Physical Education RM 22 FIONA CLANCY 1PE-E 09:00 - 09:40</div>	<div>Tutorial</div> <div>Social, Personal and Health Education RM 36 AISLING KANE 1SPHE-E 09:00 - 09:40</div>
10:00	<div>Mathematics RM 6A MARY O DONOVAN; CONOR MILEY 1Mat-E</div>	<div>French RM9A VICKIE STOKES 1Fre-1.3 09:40 - 10:20</div>	<div>English RM 45 MARY McDERMOTT 1Eng-E 09:40 - 10:20</div>	<div>Physical Education RM 22 FIONA CLANCY 1PE-E 09:40 - 10:20</div>	<div>Religious Education (JC Exam) RM 3A CELIA McLOUGHLIN 1Rel-E</div>
11:00	<div>Religious Education (JC Exam) RM 3A CELIA McLOUGHLIN 1Rel-E</div>	<div>Business Studies RM 41 MAURICE COLLINS 1Bus-4.2 10:20 - 11:00</div>	<div>Business Studies RM 41 MAURICE COLLINS 1Bus-4.2 10:20 - 11:00</div>	<div>Science (JC) RM 28 DEBORAH HOGAN; MARIA LYNCH 1Sci-2.4</div>	<div>Irish RM 10 NIAMH O CONNOR 1Iri-E 10:20 - 11:00</div>
	<div>History RM 11 FURSEY D'ARCY</div>	<div>Science (JC) RM 28 DEBORAH HOGAN</div>	<div>Mathematics RM10A CONOR MILEY;</div>	<div>Business Studies RM 41 MAURICE COLLINS</div>	<div>English RM 02 MARY</div>



Status:



No Filter

**Personal**

Term Reports



Attendance



Timetable



Fee

## Personal Information

Name **Conor Barry**

Birth cert. Name

Birth Date **08/09/2013**

Medical Card

Traveller Heritage **No**Language Support Applicant **No**VShare Id **188567**Department Pupil Id **123456789**PPS **9874563P**

Exam Number

Locker Number

Date of entry **01/09/2010**

Irish exemption

Country of Birth **IRELAND**

Date of Exemption

Nationality

Previous school type

Previous school Roll No. **14717B**Exam Entrant **No**

Repeat Exemption

Left Early **No**

Students Mobile

Mothers Maiden Name **Woods**Previous School Name **RATHGAR N S**New Entrant **No**

Students Email

Email Opt In **No**Book Scheme **Yes**Extra Curricular **yes**Parents Occupation **Pilot**

# Term Report / Exam Results



Status:

No Filter

Personal

**Term Reports**

Attendance

Timetable

Fee

## Term Report

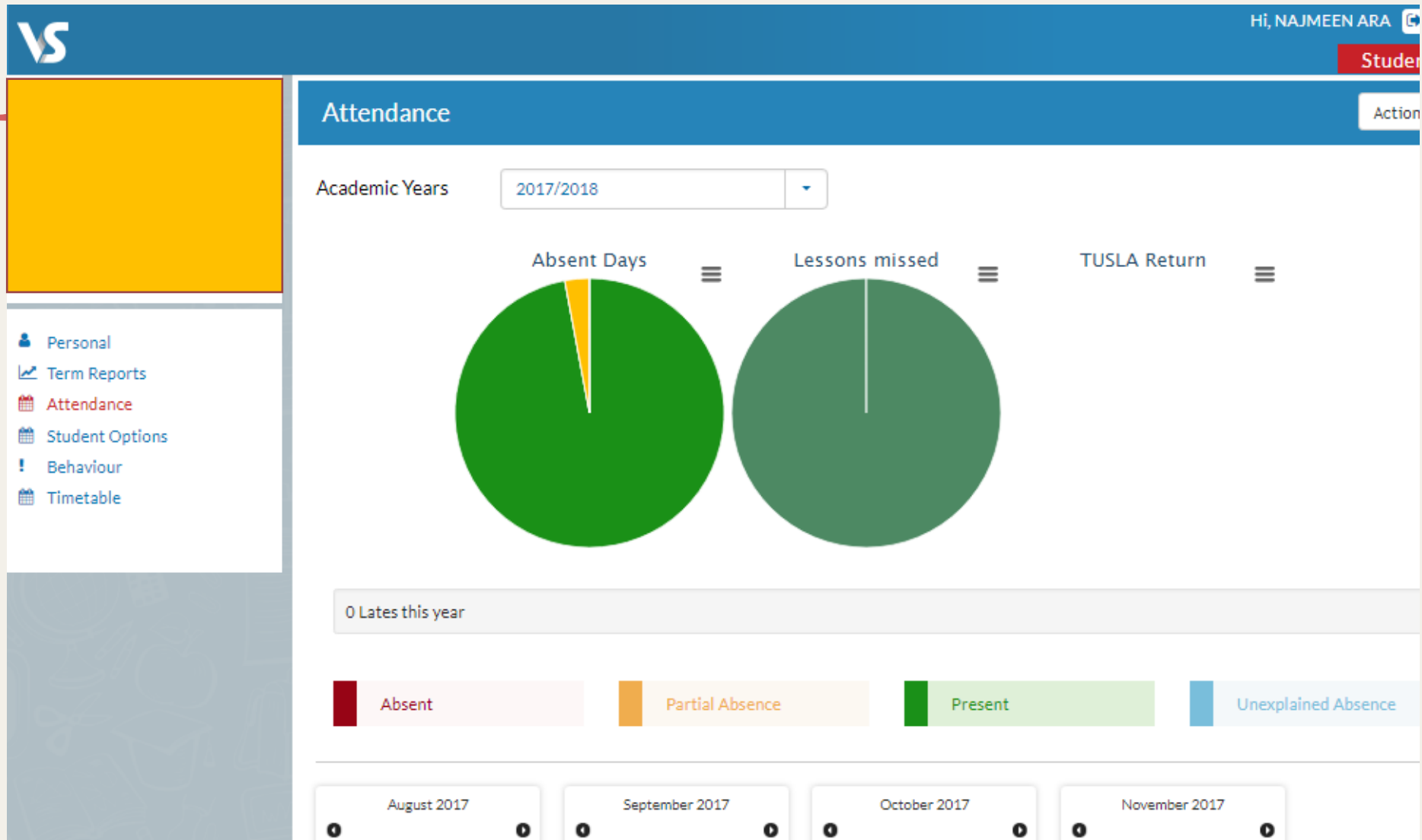
Select An Exam

Easter Exams 6th Year (2013/2014) ▾

### Easter Exams 6th Year (2013/2014)

Project Mathematics	56	A	John Dowling
Design & Communication Gr...	92	A	Philip Rodgers
French	67	A	Mary Harvey
Enterprise Education	85	A	Philip Rodgers
Study Period	93	A	Lorraine O'Shea
Mathematics	77	G	Siobhan Kehoe

# Attendance



# Anseo: Automated Messaging System

Students swipe in at scanners (am & pm)

Automated messaging system sends text if no swipe is recorded in the morning (Activated in the next two weeks)

Late (after 08.50 in the morning and after 13:15 in the afternoon)

# ~~What to do if~~ you receive a text

If you are aware of absence/  
late

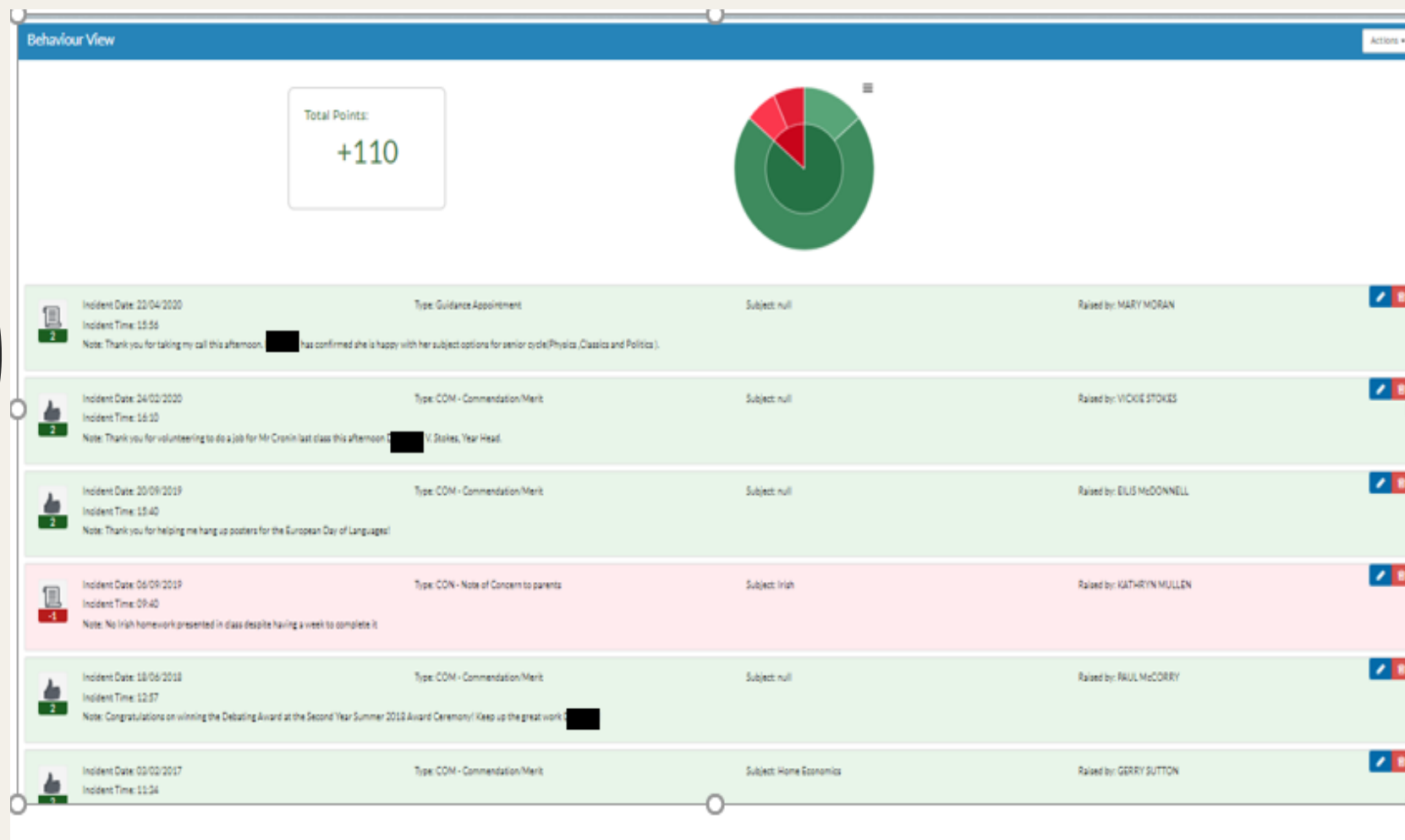
- You do not have to contact the office

If you are unaware of absence


- Question your child - Possibly forgot to swipe?
- Make contact with Year Head Team




# Behaviour








*Changing  
to a  
different  
sibling*





Status:

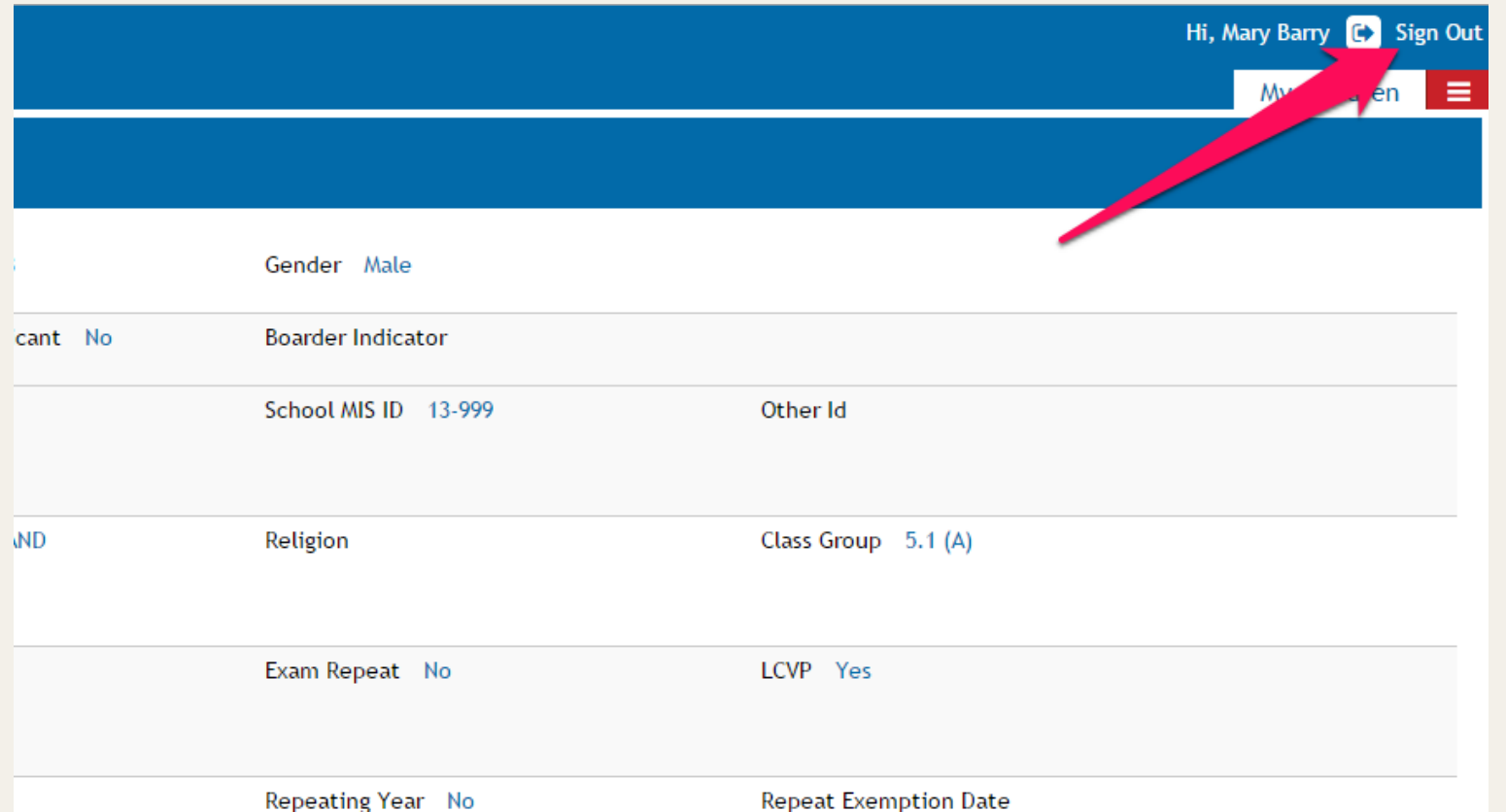
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-  **Personal**
-  Term Reports
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-  Fee

### Personal Information

Name	Conor Barry	Birth cert. Name	Birth Date	08/09/2010	
Medical Card		Traveller Heritage	No	Language Support	
VSware Id	188567	Department Pupil Id	123456789	PPS	9874563P
Exam Number		Locker Number			
Date of entry	01/09/2010	Irish exemption		Country of Birth	
Date of Exemption		Nationality			
Previous school type		Previous school Roll No.	14717B	Exam Entrant	No
Repeat Exemption		Left Early	No	Students Mobile	
Mothers Maiden Name	Woods	Previous School Name	RATHGAR N S	New Entrant	No
Students Email		Email Opt In	No		
Book Scheme	Yes	Extra Curricular	yes	Parents Occupati	

*Sign out*



The screenshot shows a user profile page with a blue header. In the top right corner, the text "Hi, Mary Barry" is displayed next to a "Sign Out" button, which is highlighted by a red arrow. Below the header, there is a table of user information.

Gender	Male
Boarder Indicator	
School MIS ID	13-999
Other Id	
Religion	
Class Group	5.1 (A)
Exam Repeat	No
LCVP	Yes
Repeating Year	No
Repeat Exemption Date	





## *First Year Milestones*

JCT Planning Day Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September

School Closed Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October

Mid Term Break Monday 31<sup>st</sup> Oct. to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Nov. Inclusive

House Examinations Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December

College Closed Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December

JCT Planning Day Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December

Last day of Term Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December



## *First Year Milestones 2023*

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- College Reopens Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January
- Parent Teacher Meetings
- Mid Term Monday 13<sup>th</sup> to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February (incl.)
- Easter Break
- House Exams End of May 2023
- Term Ends Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June






# *Health & Safety - Parents*

We are reminding all parents not to park on the school grounds or on the slip road at the entrance to the College.

As more students intend to cycle to the College in the coming weeks it is imperative that they are given every opportunity to cycle to and from school safely. The images below were taken sometime ago and represent the challenges facing students as they attempt to cycle out of the main gates of the College.

Parents whose children have a medical condition are permitted to enter the College grounds but must do so with extreme care.

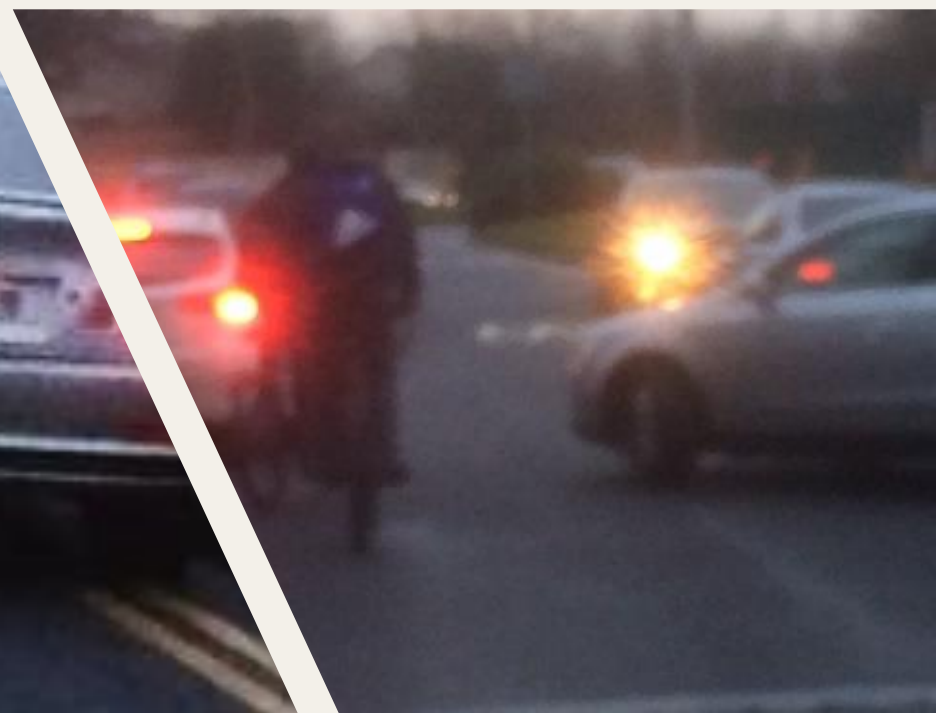


# *First Year Vaccinations*

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- Letter from the HSE has been posted to the College website
- Those who completed the application will receive an appointment for October/November by text (HSE)
- These vaccinations will not take place in school.





## What to look out for when buying a bicycle helmet

### LIGHTWEIGHT

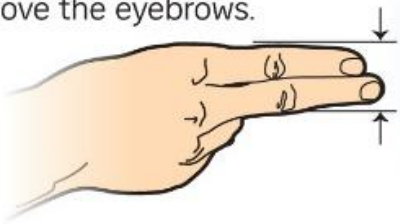
Good-quality helmets can **weigh as little as 300g**

### VENTILATION OPENINGS

Allow **good air circulation and heat dissipation**

### Correct way to wear your helmet

It should **sit low on your forehead** – about two finger-widths above the eyebrows.



The two side plastic pieces on the straps should fit **just below the ears.**

**Tighten the chin**

**The helmet must**

## The make-up of a good helmet

### First layer: Cap shell

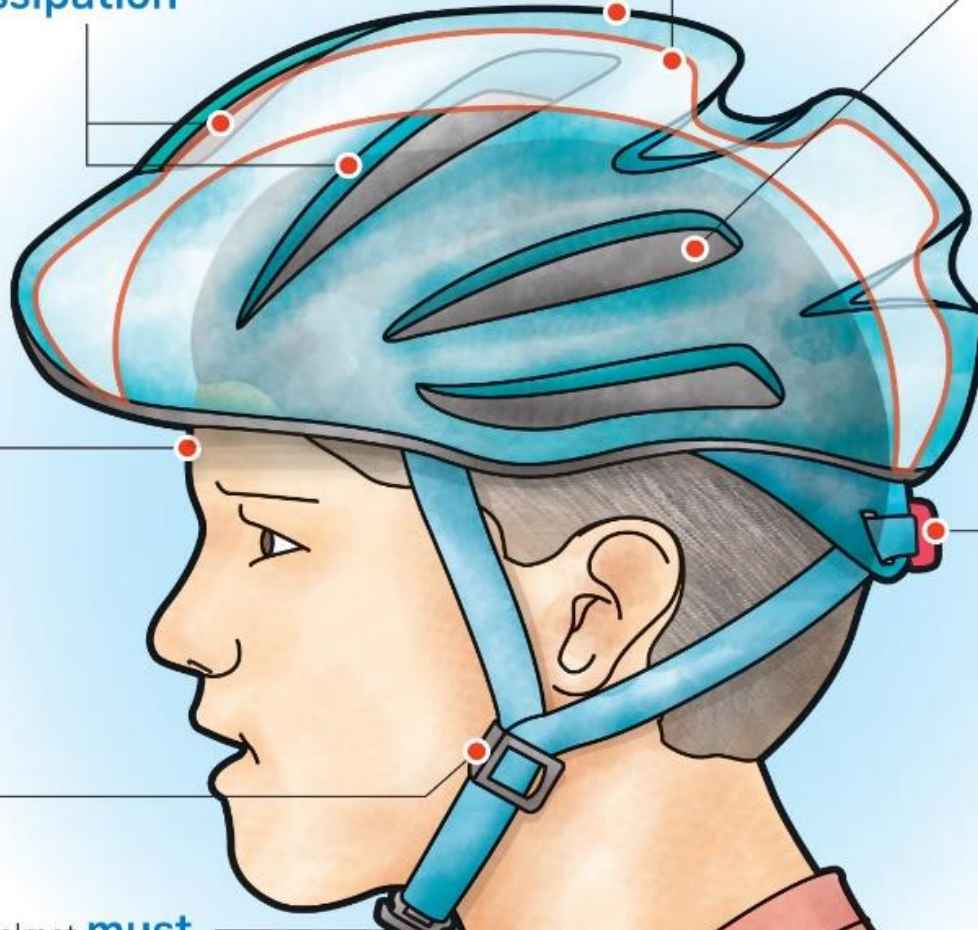
- Made of strong, tough polycarbonate
- Ensures the uniform dispersion of the impact force

### Second layer: Foam layer

- Made from dense expanded polystyrene
- Effectively absorbs the impact force

### Third layer: Pad liner

- Dense mesh structure
- Removable



Adjust the locking mechanism for **back-of-head fit.**



### FINAL CHECK

- Gently roll the helmet back and forth and sideways while wearing it.
- A useful rule of thumb is that it should not move more than 1.5cm in any direction.

### Wrong way to wear your helmet





*“A graduate from CCC is recognised as a young man or woman who possesses a strong moral purpose and holds the courage of their convictions. Graduates will be equipped with the life skills to understand their own well-being so that they can manage their emotional, mental, spiritual and physical needs.”*





