**CCR Admissions FAQs for prospective parents 2017**

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| Q. *What are the schooling options?* |
| A. 7 day boarding, 5 day boarding (Sun eve to Fri eve) and Day Boarding |
| Q. *What are the hours for day boarding?* |
| A. 8:30am to 8pm (Students depart after first study) |
| Q. *Will there be any transport provided for day boarders?* |
| A. This will be the responsibility of the parents. It is expected that shared arrangements could be explored by the parents. The College would be happy to facilitate the sharing of information to allow parents to co-ordinate. |
| Q. *What are the fees for 2017/18?* |
| A. 7 Day Boarding: 14,950 euro  5 Day Boarding: 13,950 euro  Day Boarding: 6,950 euro  (Stated fees do not include extras such as individual music tuition, optional laundry, school trips etc) |
| Q. *What are the fees payment terms?* |
| A. Fees can be paid (a) upfront at the beginning of each year, (b) in two moieties, at start of 1st and 2nd term or (c) by monthly standing order between August and April. |
| Q. *What is the full enrolment process?* |
| An application form is available from the school or the website www.ccr.ie. On completion, please return to the admissions office as soon as possible. Following receipt of your application a meeting will be arranged. Places will subsequently be allocated subject to availability and the Admissions Policy. For more information contact Seamus Hennessy, on 086 8666387 or (0505) 23344 |
| Q *What can we expect the class sizes to be?* |
| A Current year groups are:  25- 32, while individual subject class sizes can be as low as 8 - 12 students |
| Q. *What are the resources for students with learning difficulties?* |
| A. Parents are asked to inform the school of any existing conditions or learning difficulties experienced by their son, and to provide any educational assessment reports where relevant. Aptitude tests are carried out on all new students which will also indicate any difficulty. Resource teaching and Learning Support is provided where necessary. |
| Q. *Will day boarders be given priority if choosing to upgrade to 5 or 7 day boarding subsequently?* |
| A. Yes |
| Q. *Is religious education compulsory?* |
| A. Yes - The subject syllabus incorporates all religions as per Department of Education & Skills guidelines and the religious ethos of the school. |
| Q. *What does the sports programme entail in CCR?* |
| A. Rugby, GAA (hurling at Inter-School level, with football played within school), athletics, swimming, tennis & golf. The school also facilitates student participation in other sports which students participate in on behalf of the school such as equestrian competitions. |
| Q. *Can my son play more than one sport e.g. Rugby and Hurling?* |
| A. Yes, training and matches are organised so that students can and do play both |
| Q. *What are the other extra-curricular activities?* |
| A. Music lessons and preparation for RIAM exams, orchestra, choir, annual opera, carol service, UL annual concert, public speaking and debating. |
| Q. *Can my son play sport and also participate in musical activities such as the annual musical, or the orchestra?* |
| A. Yes, there are always many students who do sports and music |
| Q. *Can my son get help in study if he can’t do his homework?* |
| A. Yes - the supervisors are happy to assist students |
| Q. *What is the school’s policy on Bullying?* |
| A. CCR has a zero tolerance of Bullying. Copies of the school’s Anti Bullying Policy are available in the Centenary Room today |
| Q. *Does 5 day boarding mean returning on Sunday nights, or is Monday Morning permitted?* |
| A. Sunday night is the return night |
| Q. *What level of medical care is there on-site?* |
| A. A nurse resides on campus and an infirmary is available for ill students and staff. |
| Q. *If my son is sick, what happens?* |
| A. The first point of call is the Nurse on duty, from which a determination will be made. Parents and Guardians are expected to inform School Management of any health conditions that their son may have |
| Q. *My son is a fussy eater, what do I do?* |
| A. CCR prides itself on the quality and choice of food available. You may discuss any specific dietary issues in advance with the School Management and Catering Supervisor. |
| Q. *Do the students use iPads in class?* |
| A. No, but teachers do. |
| Q. *What are the rules in relation to mobile phone use?* |
| A. There are specific times when students can use their phone. Phones are **not to be used** in the classroom block, study hall, Church and dorms (after a certain time). |
| Q. *How do students use technology in CCR?* |
| A. Students have access to the IT Centre when working on projects and presentations linked to their curricular work. The College has WiFi throughout the school campus. |
| Q. *Are day boarders allowed to drive themselves to school?* |
| A. No. |
| Q. *Are 5 day and 7 day boarders allowed out to stay with day boarders?* |
| A. No |
| Q. *Does the school have a Students’ Council?* |
| A. Yes |
| Q. *Does the school have a Big Brother mentoring programme?* |
| A. Yes |
| Q. *Can day boarders leave school to attend external extra curricular activities during school hours from 8.30am to 8pm?* |
| A. Yes if an event is organised by the school, and the day boarder is part of the class or team participating in the event, or if this is an exceptional case of where a student has a particular interest or talent, and is pursuing it to a high level. |
| Q. *Is TY compulsory?* |
| A No. However, it is very popular at CCR, and the TY curriculum has a large component linked to personal development and as such this is a natural entry point year for senior cycle students as they get more opportunities outside of class to quickly integrate into the student body. |
| Q. *Do students go on a language exchange? If so, is the programme organised by the school?* |
| A. Yes, in Senior House TY students can take a language trip to a French or German school. It is organised by an agency. A representative from the agency visits the College to present an Information Evening to parents. |
| Q. *Are sports compulsory?* |
| A. All students are encouraged to participate in sports activities. However, exceptions can be made where necessary. |
| Q. *If I sign my son up for 7 Day Boarding can I bring him home from Saturday evening until Sunday night?* |
| A. Yes |
| Q. *Can a student play rugby for the school and his local club, same question for hurling?* |
| A. Yes. However, once a student plays Junior or Senior Cup Rugby for the school, he cannot play for his club that season. (He wouldn’t have the time or energy anyway!) Students may play hurling and football for their local club at every level |
| Q. *Is career guidance available?* |
| A. Yes, CCR has a Guidance counsellor available to all students. |
| Q. *Will the numbers of day boarders be capped?* |
| A. Yes - depending on demand in any specific year. |