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*BOYNE COMMUNITY SCHOOL*  
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Co. Meath.  
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17/11/2023

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

It has come to that time of year when third year students start to make decisions around their pathways for their senior years. As this can be a daunting decision there are a number of measures the school has put in place to help third year students make these decisions.

To help our third year students make these decisions there will be a range of events taking place over the course of the coming weeks. **On Friday 24th of November students will be given the opportunity to complete the My Aptitude Assessment.** This is a two hour session where third year students will complete an interest-based questionnaire and norm-referenced aptitude test. These psychometrically validated interest and aptitude tests allow students to **understand their strengths and match them to future pathways.** After the assessment students have access to their own personal portal where they will receive an in-depth analysis of high interest career areas, strengths, skills, abilities and how these will relate to their subject choices for the Leaving Certificate programme. The assessment is computer based. Students who wish to access the tests using audio are advised to bring headphones/earphones to complete the assessment. **As this will be the only date that this assessment will take place for third year students, we strongly advise attendance.**

To help parent(s)/guardian(s) navigate the process and offer guidance to their son or daughter the school will host a **Senior Cycle Information Evening on Wednesday 6th of December at 7pm** in the school gym. Over the course of this two hour session you will hear from our schools Programme Coordinator, Mr. McAndrew, and members of the Guidance Counselling Department. Mr. McAndrew will give a presentation on the Transition Year Programme and the Leaving Certificate Applied Programme. Following this, our school Guidance Counselling Team will give a presentation on The Leaving Certificate Established

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Programme and the importance of being informed when completing subject choice for this programme. All parent(s) and guardian(s) are advised to attend as there will be an opportunity to ask questions on the night. As students will have received subject choice information during their careers classes and during college awareness week they do not have to attend the information evening.

During the **Senior Cycle Information Evening on Wednesday 6th of December at 7pm** parents will be given a brief overview on the My Aptitude Assessment focusing on reading the feedback from the assessment and how to apply that to subject choice for the Leaving Certificate Established Programme and Future pathways. Following on from the Information Evening students will have access to their My Aptitude results on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> of December from 1:00pm. On this day the results will be available to students by using their login details (student email and password) they provided on the day of the assessment. If you would prefer to have access to this information (results of the my aptitude test) before your son/daughter you will need to email one of the following Guidance Counsellors to make that request prior to the results release date (Friday 8th of December).

Kind regards,

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Ms. Eustace, Ms. Harrington, Ms. Connaughton

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