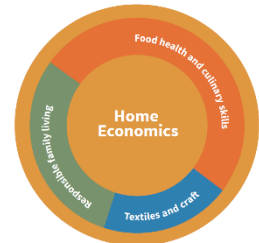


Home Economics in Coola PPS

In Coola PPS we have a passionate and innovative Home Economics department. We foster a supportive and encouraging environment, ensuring each of our students reach their potential.



Home Economics is a subject where you will learn how to take care of yourself, others, your home and your environment. As Home Economics is a very practical subject, you will carry out a lot of activities in school and at home. <https://curriculumonline.ie/Junior-cycle/Junior-Cycle-Subjects/Home-Economics/>.



In Home Economics we learn about:

Food Health and Culinary Skills: This strand educates students on the body and how to stay healthy, nutrition, development of culinary skills, food safety, how to choose, cook and store foods. Students will have opportunities to develop and showcase their practical cookery skills.

Responsible Family Living: Our Students will develop an understanding of the contribution of families to the development of a child. Students will develop transferrable life skills to enable them to responsibly and sustainably manage resources. They are facilitated to become discerning, competent consumers. This strand enables students to become responsible and have a caring attitude towards other individuals, family members, society and the environment.



Textiles and Craft: Students will develop creativity, textile skills and knowledge. Practical textile and craft skills will be developed including hand and machine sewing skills, fabric texturing and embellishment techniques. There will be an opportunity to apply the design brief process in designing and making a textile item for an individual or the home.

What will we learn in School?

- How to read, follow and modify recipes
- Be creative in showcasing practical skills in food and Textile design
- Develop communication skills with interactive project, competitions and engagement in group work activities
- Become food and health literate by engaging in research
- Using a wide range of resources including textbook, videos, projects and other materials

Assessment:

- Feedback will be given in terms of what you did well and how you can improve
- Classroom Based Assessments will take place in year 2 and year 3 where textile, food and culinary skills will be assessed.
- Self-assessment in terms of using the knowledge and skills you have acquired to make positive and responsible choices
- Developing an actions you can implement to improve

Assessment at Junior Cycle:

Assessment	% Weighting	Method
CBA 1 Creative Textiles	N/A	The teacher's judgement is recorded for the purpose of subject learning and assessment review, and for the school's reporting to parents and students.
CAB2 Food Literacy Skills Brief	N/A	The formative assessment related to the preparation for the practical food skills examination will be reported upon to the student and parent/guardian by the school.
Practical Food Skills Examination	50%	Briefs will be specified annually by the State Examinations Commission. Marked by the State Examinations Commission, together with the necessary written support
Written Examination	50%	Set and marked by State Examinations Commission

After Junior Certificate:

Students can progress to Senior Cycle Home economics. Progression will include study of the 3 core areas in greater detail: Food Studies, Resource Management and Consumer Studies and Social Studies. You will also choose an elective area: Home Design and Management, Textiles fashion and design or Social Studies

Cross Curricular Links:

Home economics builds on the students' knowledge, skills and experiences from primary school in SPHE and SESE. Home Economics has links with other subjects on offer in Coola PPS including Science, SPHE, P.E, Business Studies and Art. Home economics is a subject which teaches real life transferrable skills which can be adapted and used in the real world.

Student Achievement in Home Economics in Coola PPS:

Our students excel in Practical Subjects. Students choosing Practical Subjects in this school have consistently performed higher than the national average receiving an honours grade of A, B or C at higher Level in the traditional Junior Certificate examinations. Students work and CBA standards continue to excel in Coola PPS. We are confident this will continue with the introduction of the new Junior Cycle subjects and look forward to meeting the challenge.



For more information on Home economics visit:

<https://www.curriculumonline.ie/Home/>

<https://ncca.ie/en/junior-cycle/subjects-in-development/home-economics>