9Subject Co-ordinator

• Mr Patrick Noone

1. Teaching Staff

Mr. Patrick McGarry : Senior Cycle/Junior Cycle
 Mr. Patrick Noone : Senior Cycle/Junior Cycle

2. Department Rooms

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3. Equipment

- General workshop hand tools
- Data Projector
- Desktop Computer
- Lathes x 3
- Milling Machine x 1
- Pillar Stand Drilling Machine x 4
- Gas Forge
- Welder x 1
- Shears and Folding Table

4. Time Allocation

• First Year : 1 double (1/2 Year-taster programme)

• 2nd & 3rd Years : 1 double and 2 singles per week

• 4th & 5th Year : 1 double and 3 singles

5. Mission statement

"The Metalwork and Engineering department aspires to provide a safe, stimulating environment where all students can develop their practical and academic skills to fulfil their goals"

6. Subject Aims

- To develop the capacity and ability of students in the area of practical activities.
- To apply appropriate thinking skills in the realisation of solutions.
- To develop observation and evaluation skills in Metalwork/Engineering
- To increase awareness of environmental issues.
- To develop the cognitive and practical skills associated with Metalwork/Engineering through problem solving and critical thinking.
- To develop appropriate technical skills for the construction of practical based project work.
- To contribute to the students preparation for life by stimulating the students interest and confidence in working safely with equipment and materials.
- To develop an appreciation for a safe working environment.
 - To promote the principles of cooperation, quality and balance.

7. Subject Objectives

On completion of their studies students should be:

- Familiar with the principles, concepts, terminology and methodologies associated with Metalwork/Engineering.
- Creative, resourceful and study both independently and within a group when designing projects.
- Able to produce a project folder which follows a standard approach to project design.

- Able to work with a high degree of confidence and skill on the various workshop machines.
- Able to display an understanding of Metalwork/Engineering materials and their properties by using a variety of materials in practical exercises.
- Able to study and interpret working drawings so as to produce an artefact to a high standard.
- Able to work comfortably and confidently with all hand tools, measurement and marking out equipment.
- Competent and confident in the application of CAD/CAM.
- Able to interpret verbal, written and mathematical information, and to apply that information to the practical environment.

8. Grouping of Pupils (Mixed ability, Streaming)

- Metalwork/Engineering is an optional subject and consequently all groups are of mixed ability. However, early in their 3rd year, students opt for Higher / Ordinary level after discussion with their Parents / Guardian and their teacher. Students are all generally encouraged to take the Higher level paper where possible.
- In 4th year all students follow a common level in Engineering and they also decide on their level by the end of that year in consultation with Subject Teachers.
- Both the Honours and Ordinary groups are taught in the same classroom.

9. <u>Textbooks and Course Materials</u>

• 1st Year : No Textbook

• 2nd&3rd Years : Basic Engineering Technology S O Tuairisg

• 4th&5th Year :Engineering Technology L Hennessy L Smyth

: Power point notes/hand outs.

10. Planning for students with special needs

The MW/Eng department caters for students with special needs in the following ways:

- The subject lends itself to one-to-one teaching thus assisting students with learning difficulties.
- Teachers liaise regularly with school's learning support co-ordinators
 Mrs Lyons & Ms Hayes. Relevant information from student profiles is exchanged where appropriate.
- Realistic expectations and suitable homework plans are devised & implemented.
- Teachers also liase with Tutors, Parents and school management.

11. Cross-curricular planning

This is particularly relevant as there is overlap between Maths, Construction Studies, and DCG. Whenever possible the link is established between subjects to tie the individual subjects together to show the bigger picture of education. As the MW/Eng staff are also practical teachers the links between these subjects is especially highlighted. The link between Maths is also emphasised and discussed both formally and informally with the Maths department to establish common links between the courses.

12. Homework Procedures

Homework is to be given on a regular basis to reinforce subject matter taught in class and to encourage and enhance the students own individual work and abilities.

All students are expected to record their homework in their journals and produce work to an acceptable standard and also within a reasoned allocated time.

Oral questioning is used to evaluate how well this has been undertaken by students.

13. Record Keeping Procedures

Record of results, absenteeism, 'lates', behaviour etc are recorded in the teacher's journal and is also recorded on the schools eportal facility where deemed appropriate.

14. Reporting Procedures

Depending on what has to be reported dictates to whom the reporting is done.

For disciplinary matters the reporting may be to the Year Head / Principal.

This is primarily done via the school eportal facility but also through face-to-

face discussions to get a more personal understanding on any issues.

For matters relating to "child abuse" the reporting must be to the Designated Liaison Person. This report should be written.

Matters relating to a child's academic performance may be reported to parents at a specially arranged meeting and parent teacher meetings.

15. Teacher in-career development

There has been <u>no</u> in-service training for Metalwork/Engineering in recent years.

16. Subject Meetings

Time is allocated to formal subject meetings during the year. Topics include organization of common curriculum, order lists of materials and equipment, organization and maintenance of the Engineering room, paperwork associated with exams, discipline, class sizes, students with learning difficulties, books, new *Literacy and Numeracy* initiatives etc. Both Teachers frequently consult each other regarding matters arising. These subject meetings are very valuable. See Appendix 3 for a copy of department meetings.

See also Appendix 1&2 for Leaving Cert and Junior Cert examinations results which are frequently discussed and evaluated and these Subject Meeting.

Strategies to improve results are often debated and recorded. Areas where we perform well against the national figures are also acknowledged.

17. <u>Literacy and Numeracy Policy</u>

Reasons to integration of Numeracy and Literacy in MW/Engineering

- The universal language of *design and Manufacture* helps bridge and overcome many literacy barriers.
- Keywords to describe the skills mastered in Metalwork and Engineering are easily identifiable and can help the student associate with the meaning of that particular term.
- Where pupils struggle with the language to represent their ideas there is huge scope to use other *practical* means to communicate.
- Literacy is encouraged through the use of posters on the wall with new terms explained.

 Numeracy is an integral part of MW/Eng. Links between Mathematics and Technical Graphics are often seen and easily recognised to the students. This is especially focused upon with the Junior and leaving certificate projects.

Strategies for Improving Literacy and Numeracy

- Students free hand sketch various exercises on graph paper which include texting and dimensioning.
- The Engineering student project requires students to research and investigate, develop and explain ideas, produce working drawings.
 Dictionary and internet are encouraged to help understand difficult terms.
- Topics are explained and demonstrated explicitly to students.
- Class discussions are encouraged using relevant terms/descriptions.
- Students day to day use of measuring equipment.
- Students are encouraged to calculate approximate size of sheet material required.

18. <u>Assessments/Examinations Procedures</u>

Formal assessment of learning occurs at Christmas and Summer for , 2nd and 4th year students in a structured examination setting. 3rd years and 5th years generally have formal examinations in December and Mock examinations in February in a structured examination setting.1st years are examined on their practical work and sketching. At the end of a section a teacher may give an examination to assess the learning in the particular topic. Assessment for learning continues on throughout the year where teachers monitor student's progress by speaking to students while they work on practical projects. The results of all formal examinations are relayed to parents in the form of a report.

19. Metalwork/Engineering - Activities

First Year

- 1. Introduction to metalwork room.
- 2. Health and safety.
- 3. Introduction to hand tools/pillar stand drill.
- 4. Free hand sketching of hand tools and production of cardboard folder.
- 5. Nameplate.
- 6. Keytag.
- 7. Mobilephone holder.
- 8. Decoration for Christmas tree.
- 9. Egg holder.

Second Year

- 1. Recap on standard practice within the metalwork room.
- 2. Health and safety.
- 3. Aeroplane project.
- 4. Helicopter project.
- 5. Vintage car project.
- 6. Theory.

Third Year

- 1. Finishing of vintage car project.
- 2. Preparation of 3hr practical pieces.
- 3. Junior certificate project work.
- 4. Theory
- 5. Mock Examination.
- 6. 3 hour practical examination
- 7. Junior certificate theory examination.

Fourth year

- 1. Six hour practical exercises x2.
- 2. Theory.
- 3. Design and make project....Model vehicle, aircraft etc...

Fifth year

- 1. Six hour practical exercise.
- 2. Theory.
- 3. Delivery of Leaving Certificate Project/Design task.
- 4. Delivery of Leaving Certificate Six hour practical Exercise.
- 5. Project/Design task.
- 6. Mock Examination.
- 7. Leaving Certificate six hour practical Examination.
- 8. Leaving Certificate Theory Examination.

First Year	BCS Junior Cert Metalwork Scheme of Work	
Term	Practical work	Assessment
1-8 weeks	Safety in the Metalwork room. Introduction to Room Safety Introduction to hand tools Name of hand tools Sketching of Hand tools/sketch paper Making of cardboard folder to contain sketchings Name Plate: Supply of brass material Use of marking out tools Introduction to filing procedures. Introduction to pillar stand drill/safety Engraving and polishing. Key tag: Supply of aluminium material Marking out Drilling Filing/polishing Engraving	Review of students work in class Grade pupils folders. Review of students work in class Review of students work in class

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1-8 weeks	Mobile Phone Holder: Introduction to plastics and their uses Supply of plastic material Working with plastic/Acrylic Thermoplastic, explanation of Marking out/Drilling/countersinking Introduction to the strip heater Folding of plastic piece Supply of aluminium back piece Folding of back piece Folding and assembly Decoration: (Christmas) Brass Star Aluminium Tree Egg Holder: Plastic egg holder Chain drilling Filing/polishing/folding	Review of students work in class Grading of students Projects. Review of students work in class. Grading of students projects.
2 nd years	Practical work	Assessment
Sep-Oct	 Aeroplane: Introduction of project work Emphasis on high standards of work Accuracy, neatness, finishing Supply of material for elements 1-5 Instructions given at each stage on the marking out and manufacture procedure for each element 	Review of students work during class.

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Nov-Dec	Aeroplane cont	
	 Supply of material and components for elements 6-10 Discussion on working drawings and how to read them and apply them to the work piece. Instructions on marking out, folding/bending Preparation of metal pieces for paint spraying Use of emery paper Spray painting techniques Safety Introduction to electronic components and their uses Soldering and safety Final assembly Photographs of projects for classroom and school website 	Review of students work in class Grading of students work as they progress through each element of the project. Overall grade of aeroplane.
Term	Practical work	
Jan-Feb	Helicopter: Supply of material and components for elements 1-5 Instructions on reading and interpreting the working drawings Marking out Manufacture of pieces Emphasis on cutting, hacksaw work etc Polishing/folding Twisting. Helicopter cont Supply of material and components for elements 6-10 Marking out Manufacture of pieces Spray painting Electronics associated with project Assembly Photos for classroom and school website.	Homework Worksheets Review of students work in class Grading of students work as they progress through each element of the project. Overall grade for project.

Term	Practical work	Assessment
Apr-May	 Vintage car: Supply of materials and components for elements 1-5 Marking out Measuring Use of vernier callipers for determining material thickness Storage of project work 	Review of students work in class.
3 rd years	Practical work	Assessment
Term Sep-Oct	 Three hour practical exercises (x2) Supply of material and components for exercises Discussion on levers, linkages and cams Emphasis on accuracy of marking out Accuracy of drilling Use of height gauge Use of vernier callipers Precision of manufacturing Polishing and presentation of components Assembly Focus on operation and movement of finished mechanism 	Review of students work in class. Grading of students individual pieces as they progress through each component.
Nov-Dec Jan-Feb	Junior Certificate Project Project analysis Materials analysis Discussion on manufacture methods for each element of the project Emphasis on project deadline Supply of materials and components Commencement of project work Emphasis on high standards of workmanship Conclusion of project work	Review of students work in class.

Jan-May **Design and Make project** It is envisaged that the project in Engineering at senior cycle will help with the development of many skills within the subject area Use of different teaching methodologies during the project will help to stimulate learning throughout its period Discovery learning......displaying a greater sense of self achievement when they produce an artifact/project that they designed or part designed themselves Stimulus variation..... varying the teaching techniques and good quality demonstrations will promote higher levels of interest and attention spans Group work/learning....a project by its very nature promotes group work which has many benefits such as improving problem solving skills Introduction to the concept of design in the Monitoring of context of project work students work Design and make a model vehicle...... during class Introduction to project work period. How to approach it Emphasis on the design process Grading of Research and investigation of ideas and students projects possible solutions on completion. Working drawings Choice of material Manufacture

Assembly and finish

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5 th years	Practical work	Assessment
Term	Past six hour practical examination	
Sept-Oct	 Supply of materials and components for exercise Emphasis on precision High standards of workmanship to the completion of the exercise Edge finishing and surface finishing Assembly and testing 	Review of students work in class
Nov-Dec Jan-Mar	 Leaving Certificate Engineering Project and six hour practical Hand out working drawings for six hour practical Revisit the reading and interpretation of working drawings Supply students with material Start work on numbered items Gather work when complete and store in individual containers Reintroduce the topic of project work as per 4th year scheme Design and choice of materials Start making project Continue with production and design of project 	Review of students work in class Observation of students work at all times. Encourage
Apr-may	 Emphasis on the project folder and the production of same All areas of the design process are to be covered High quality drawings, sketches etc Conclusion of project and folder Final presentation of project Examination number Storage of project (mid-march approx) 	high standards at all times. Praise work done and stress the importance of project deadline.
	 Leaving Certificate Six Hour Practical Day examination will take place in mid-may Hand out completed preparatory work 	

	Do six hour exam	
2 nd year	Theory	Assessment
Term		
	Workshop tools/equipment	
Sep-Oct	Workshop tools	Homework
	Health & safety	Exercises.
	Drilling machine	
	Drill bits	Review of students
	Materials	work in class.
	• Plastics	Topic Test
Nov-Dec	• Metals	Topic Test
1101-Dec	Furnaces	Homework
	Blast, Basic oxygen process, Electric arc	Exercises.
	Types of steeldead, mild, medium carbon,	
	stainless and their uses	
	Non-Ferrous metalsaluminium, copper, lead and their uses	
	 Non-Ferrous alloysbrass, bronze, soft solder 	Christmas exam.
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Jan-Feb	Structures and Mechanisms	
Jan-red	Types of forcescompression, torsion, tension,	
	bending, shear	
	• Shape of structure membersT shape, channel,	Homework
	box, corrugated	Exercises.
	 Triangulation in structures 	
	 Leversmechanical advantageLoad/Effort 	
	velocity ratio	
	Examples of levers in everyday life	m • m ·
	Pulleys and beltsu, toothed, flat	Topic Test
	Chains and sprockets	
Feb-Mar	Gears	
	• Spur, idler, bevel, worm and wheel, rack and	
	pinion, gear trains	
	Calculation of gear ratio	
	Calculation of rotational speed of driven gear	Homework
	Camsdifferent profiles, followers, their uses in	Exercises.
	industry and mechanisms	
	Ratchets	
	Crank and slider mechanism	
	Cam shafts	

Apr-May	 Graphics and Design Projection, systemsorthographic, oblique, working drawings Freehand sketching Design process Research and developments of ideas Material selection Production of drawings Evaluation 	Homework Exercises.
	Inventors and discoveriesSummer exam	Summer Exam.

3rd Year	Metalwork Theory	
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Term Sept-Oct	 Electronics Introduction to electronics and its uses in industry Electronic symbolspositive, negative, ac/dc, cell, battery. Bell, buzzer, transistors, meters 	Review of students work in class
	 Recap on Furnaces Three typesblast, basic oxygen process, electric arc Production of iron and steels 	Review of students work in class
	 Engines Four stroke, two stroke Parts of the enginevalves, piston, cylinder, intake, exhaust, crankshaft, gudgeon pin, cam shaft, sparkplug, piston rings 	Homework Exercises Topic test

Nov-Dec	 Junior cert metalwork project Study of junior cert project Reading and interpretation of working drawings Examination of manufacturing steps and associated procedures of each component Discussion on materials to be used Study of three hour practical examination pieces to be prepared in advance of examination 	Review of students work in class
	 Machining Lathe work Parts of the lathehead stock, tail stock, carriage, cross slide, top slide, feed shaft, lead screw Chucksthree jaw self centring, four jaw independent Tool postsholders, types of bits Types of turningfacing, parallel, taper 	Homework Exercises Homework
Nov- Dec Cont	 Lathe tool anglesclearance, rake Centre drill Knurling Calculation of spindle speeds and cutting speeds N= S x 1000/Π x D 	Exercises Christmas Test
Term		
Jan-Feb	 CNC Machining/Lathe Identification of cnc lathe Jog keys Explanation of lathe termstest run, G-codes, M-codes, tool offsets, tool park position X and Z axes on lathe 	Homework Exercise
	 Explanation of co-ordinates + and – Advantages of cnc machining Safety procedures involved CAD/CAM Identification of computer devicesinput and 	

	output	
	Revise for junior cert mocks	Mock test
	Hot and cold forming of materials	
Mid Feb - Mar	 Straight edge bending Folders, formers Sheet metalworking tools Techniques involvedhollowing, planishing, bending, twisting, scrolling Hot metal forming Fitting and assembly Rivets Screws, threads, nuts Stocks and dies 	Review of students work in class Homework Exercises
Term		
Feb-Mar cont	 Pillar Stand drill Parts Gearbox Speeds Speed calculation N= S x 1000 Π x D 	Homework Exercise Review of students work in class Topic test
Apr-May		
	 Heat Treatment Annealing Normalising Hardening & Tempering Case hardening Water and oil and brine Revision and preparation for Junior Certificate Exam 	Past papers

4 th year	Engineering Theory	
Term	Topic	Assessment
	Material Testing	
Sept-Oct	 Destructive testinghardness, toughness, impact, izod, charpy, Non-destructive testingdye, x-ray, ultra sound, eddy current Stress, strain graphs 	Homework Exercises.
	Load extension graphsYoungs modulus of elasticity	Topic Test
Nov-Dec	Metallurgy	
	 Mining Open cast Under ground Ore processing Flotation Solution 	Homework Exercises
	Thermal joining of materials	
	 Permanent Gas welding Electric arc Submerged Mig & Tig Non permanent Soldering Brazing Transformer Transformer rectifier circuit 	Topic Test
	• Safety	Christmas test
Term	Plastics • Basics	Homework
Jan-Feb	 Polymers Extrusion Injection moulding Uses in industry and home Plasticisers Stabilisers Glass and carbon fibre Lamination 	Topic Test

Mar-May	Robotics and CNC machining Uses in industry Terms associated Operation of Advantages and disadvantages Safety features Simulation Electronics Uses in industry and home Terms associated Components and their uses Circuit diagrams Power sources	Homework Exercises
	Revision	Summer Test.
5 th year	Engineering theory Topic	Assessment
Term Sep-Oct	Engineering Materials & Properties • Metals • Non metals • Polymers • Ceramics • Traditional • Ductility, malleability, hardness, toughness, elasticity, brittleness, conductivity, tensile strength • Alloy diagrams • Bonding • Covalent • Ionic • Metallic • Structures • Body Centred Cubic • Face Centred Cubic • Close Packed Hexagonal • Defects • Line • Crystal • Vacancy	Homework Exercises Review of students work in class Topic Test

Nov-Dec	 Distribution of Leaving Cert Project Discussion on brief Analysis and definition of Folder creation Design process Investigation, research, ideas, possible solutions, final solution Making models Lessons on the production of working drawingssketching, solidworks 	
	 Copper production Oxygen converter Electrolysis Heat treatments Special topic 	Homework Exercises. Topic Test
Jan-Feb	 Preparation for Mock Examination Revision of topics from 4th year and recent theory from Sep-Dec Work from past papers Mock Examination 	Homework Exercises
		Mock Exam

Term	Topic	Assessment
Feb-Mar	Machining	
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	Pneumatics	
	 Terms associated with and its uses in industry Advantages and disadvantages Programming 	
	 Health and Safety In the workshop With industrial waste With adhesives With corrosive substances Signage and notices 	Homework Exercises
	 Project Folder Completion and presentation of project folder for leaving certificate project 	
Apr- May	 Thermal Equilibrium Diagrams Understanding how a diagram is made up Drawing diagrams Solid solutions Composition of the phases Liquidus line and solidus line Calculating the ratio of the phases using lever law Eutectic and eutectoid 	Homework Exercises Past Papers
	Iron Carbon Diagrams	

	Structures of ferrite, pearlite. Cementite, austenite Revision and preparation for leaving certificate examination	Leaving Certificate
Term 2	C.A.D	
Oct- Dec	 Terminology and theoretical aspects-no computers. Identification and application of computer software and hardware. Familiarisation of various tools in CAD software package. (Very limited availability of computers) Short Questions Introduction through Ordinary and Higher level past papers Perspective 1 and 2 point perspective and exercises on same 	Homework Worksheets Review of students work in class Topic Test Homework Worksheets
Term 3 Jan-Feb	Revision of Topics for Mocks	
Feb - June	Exam Papers – Revision where appropriate	

20. Engineering Course Content

1. Core Areas of Study

- Health & Safety
- Materials Science
- Computer Aided Processes (CAD/CAM)
- Electronics
- Pneumatics
- Manufacturing Techniques and Technology
- Drawing and Design
- Power and Energy
- Mechanisms

2. Optional Areas of Study Students must study any two of five

- Computer Aided Processes
- Decorative Metal Craft
- Power, Energy and Control
- Manufacturing Techniques & Technology
- Materials Science

Course assessment

The syllabus will be assessed in relation to the syllabus objectives and the specified student learning outcomes. All material specified within the areas of study is examinable.

There are three assessment components at Junior cert and Leaving cert Higher levels and two at Junior cert Ordinary level

- Junior Cert Higher Level
 - ➤ Project 35%
 - ➤ Three Hour Practical 35%
 - **▶** Theory 25%
- Junior Cert Ordinary Level
 - ➤ Project 75%
 - > Theory 25%
- Leaving Cert Higher Level
 - ➤ Project 25%
 - ➤ Six Hour Practical 25%
 - **➤ Theory 75%**
- Leaving Cert Ordinary Level
 - Project 30%
 - ➤ Six Hour Practical 30%
 - > Theory 40%
- > Students are encouraged to use the I.T. resources available on subject related websites such as T4 and E.T.T.A.