

Independent Learning Centre (ILC)

Information for Students

Opening Hours

Monday - Friday 8.00 – 5.00

The ILC functions as a modern, excellently equipped and well resourced independent study and research area, designed to fully support the learning and achievement of all students, across all curriculum areas.

ILC

The ILC has 110 PCs and laptops for students to use outside class for individual coursework, access to e-mails, the College network and the College virtual learning environments: Moodle and eStream. All students must work independently and in silence in the ILC

and be aware that the floor is supervised throughout the day to ensure that a good working environment is maintained.

Software

All PCs are equipped with standard software including Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Internet Explorer.

Laptops

The ILC has 32 laptops for day-loan use. These can be used around the college for individual or group study.

Printing

Computers have access to two printers that can both print either colour or black and white via the local network. Students can also photocopy and scan pictures and documents.



ILC Services

Helpdesk

The ILC Helpdesk is manned by members of the ILC staff during opening hours to support students in their academic work. They are here to help individual students with enquiries and are responsible for maintaining an appropriate working environment for everyone.

The Silent Study Areas

A Silent Study Area is available for work without a computer or with a laptop. These areas are closely supervised. There is a collection of textbooks and library books available to borrow and also a range of weekly and monthly magazines to support different subject areas.

Current magazine issues are displayed on a stand, whilst back issues are stored on the library shelves.

REMEMBER . . .

The ILC is an excellent resource for all students at the College and students are naturally expected to show respect for each other and the staff working around them. It is an academic environment where students come to do independent study in silence. The ILC is the ideal place to work during free periods and students who opt to take three subjects will naturally have more free periods on their personal timetable. Investing this extra time wisely in additional individual study should have a positive impact on final results.

ILC Telephone number:

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