



**BOOKS, RENTAL AND EDUCATIONAL COSTS 14/15  
EARLY WARNING AND NEW PAYMENT SYSTEM**

Dear Parents/ Guardians

We understand that paying for your child's **books, rental, educational costs and activities** is an annual drain on your financial resources.

We are continuously looking at ways that will make payment easier for you.

To make it as easy as possible for you we ask that **you pay the school and we purchase ALL your child's requirements** for the coming year.

Most texts are operated on a **rental scheme** basis - English, Gaeilge, Religion, SESE and Music.

(These books must be minded and returned at the end of the school year.)

We have taken many expensive text books off the list and have instead devised portfolios for the subject. By doing so we have reduced the cost to you this year.

At the request of Parents, included in the bill is the cost **of 8 Lessons of Basketball and Dance for J. Infants, S. Infants; and the cost of 8 Swimming lessons for 2nd class.**

We try to flag with you the amount you will need to pay as early as possible. Each year many of you avail of **weekly payments** thereby avoiding the shock of being asked to pay in one lump sum. Some of you prefer to make **a few large payments** - while others rather do it **all in one go**. **We have built these 3 payment options into a payment scheme for the coming year.**

No matter the method these payments must be made as the **Educational book and equipment companies do not do compassion!** In an 18 month period we have spent in excess of **€30,000 on readers for our Literacy rental scheme.**

**We simply cannot provide your child with books etc. unless you pay us.**

If we order and pay for the books at the end of May we can negotiate a discount which we are able to pass on to those who have fully paid by May 29th.

**So the closing date for payment of all educational costs will be the 29th of May.**

**The costs this year are as follows:**

- **J. Infants:** €130 (€120 if fully paid before 29th May)
- **S. Infants:** €130 (€120 if fully paid before 29th May)
- **1st class :** €130 (€120 if fully paid before 29th May)
- **2nd Class:** €150 €140 if Fully paid before 29th May) - Note Swimming is more expensive!

**Please see attached for the 3 payment options available to you. Please take a minute to read it - then decide the method that best suits you - tick it, sign and return it TOMORROW to your child's teacher.** As ever we are relying on your cooperation to make this system work

Yours sincerely

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Principal