



Dear Parents/Guardians,

As your child completes First Year, we are pleased to welcome them into Second Year for the 2026/2027 academic year. We are proud of their achievements and look forward to supporting them through this important stage of their school journey.

Please find below important information & reminders. We kindly ask that you review each one carefully and keep them for future reference.

### **End-of-Year Reports**

Your child's end-of-year report is now available to access on VSware. We encourage you to sit down with your child to review their progress and achievements together. If you experience any difficulties accessing the report, please contact the school office for assistance.

### **Back-to-School Schedule**

Second Year students will return on **Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> September**, from **8:50 a.m. to 1:10pm**

*Please contact your transport provider directly to confirm the resumption of school transport services. **Bus Éireann School Transport:** 0818 919 910*

### **School Calendar**

A full calendar of key dates and events will be available on the school website. We encourage you to review it and mark important dates in your diary.

([www.ramsgrangecommunityschool.ie](http://www.ramsgrangecommunityschool.ie))

### **School Journal**

School journals will be issued on your child's first day back. Please ensure your child's name is clearly written on the front cover. The journal is a vital tool for communication between school and home, as well as supporting organisation and homework tracking. We ask that parents/guardians check and sign the journal each week.

### **Booklist 2026/2027**

All textbooks will continue to be provided by the school. Student's are required to return their **Irish, English, and Maths** (Turas 1/The Weight of Water/Text and Tests 1) and **Health and Wellbeing SPHE** books in the condition they were received. These can be left in the school office if not already returned.

## Stationery Requirements

All students are expected to bring a fully equipped pencil case to school each day. This should include black, blue and red pens, pencils, colouring materials, a calculator (as specified by their Maths teacher), a ruler, and an eraser

***Each student will need to purchase the following stationary:***

|                 |                                                                                                               |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| English         | Folder, pockets and dividers                                                                                  |
| Maths           | A3 Zip folder, 2 x Whiteboard markers, 30 cm ruler                                                            |
| Geography       | A4 Folder with pockets, colouring pencils, ruler HB pencil, calculator & eraser                               |
| CSPE            | Plastic Zip Folder                                                                                            |
| SPHE            | Plastic Envelope Folder                                                                                       |
|                 |                                                                                                               |
|                 | <b>OPTIONAL SUBJECTS</b>                                                                                      |
| Home Economics  | 1 x Large Container. €15 for felting workshop for CBA to be paid to teacher only                              |
| Metalwork       | Lever Arch folder (thin) with separators                                                                      |
| Graphics        | Colouring pencils, Sketching pencils & A4 Zip Folder                                                          |
| Wood Technology | 2 x A4 Zip Folder & Colouring pencils                                                                         |
|                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>May be retained from last year or replaced if needed</b></li></ul> |

## Devices Update

Students will be issued with their new laptops during the week beginning September 7th. A representative from Olive for Education will be on site to support the rollout and will guide students through the initial setup of their devices with their classes. This will ensure that all laptops are configured correctly and ready for use.

## Attendance

Regular attendance is essential for your child's academic progress and overall school experience. We kindly ask for your continued support in ensuring your child attends school each day, arrives on time, and is prepared for learning. If your child is absent, please notify the school promptly. We also ask that students are not signed out early and that any necessary medical and/or dental appointments are scheduled for outside of school hours, where possible.

## VSware – School Information System

You can continue to access your child's school reports, attendance, and behaviour records via the VSware app. *Please note that this system is intended for use by parents and guardians only. We ask that parent passwords for vsware are not shared with students.* If you have any issues, please contact the school office.

## School Uniform & Donations

Please ensure your child follows the school's Uniform Policy, available on our website. *Please note that black/navy tracksuit bottoms and leggings are not part of the school uniform.* Wearing the correct uniform each day promotes a sense of pride and belonging in our school community. If your child has outgrown any uniform items in good condition, we would greatly appreciate donations. These can be dropped off at the school office.

## Canteen Fob & Meal Information

Students will be issued their canteen fob when they return to school. This fob provides access to:

- Free breakfast

- €2.50 daily lunch allowance
- Option to top up with additional funds

*Canteen services will resume on **Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> September**. Please note that cash payments are not accepted.*

### **Nut-Free Policy**

To ensure the safety of all students, we are a nut-free school. Please do not send any nut-based products into school or on trips.

### **School Email Access**

Students should continue to check their school email regularly for updates, assignments, and communication from teachers. *School email accounts are to be used strictly for educational purposes.*

### **Payments via Payzone**

Please make the following payments through the school website ([www.ramsgrangecommunityschool.ie](http://www.ramsgrangecommunityschool.ie))

- **Student Services Charge** – €60 (*covers buses, photocopying, rewards, and student activities*)
- **24-Hour Personal Insurance** – €10
- **Locker Rental (Optional)** – €20 (*Lockers will be allocated during the first few weeks*)

### **School Photographs**

All photographs are taken in the appropriate and legitimate context of school activities. If a student does not wish to be included, they should inform the photographer at the time.

We look forward to another successful year with your child and appreciate your continued support. Wishing you and your family a safe, happy, and restful summer.

Kind regards,  
Ms. Tracey Edwards  
Principal