



Information for New Infant Parents

Dear Parents,

Just a few points to note before we meet again in September;

Return Date & School Hours:

We begin our new school year on Thursday 29th August. All of our new infants will start school at 8:50am and finish at 11:45am, until Friday 13th of September. After that the usual infant hours will apply; 8:50am - 1:30pm. Please note that the school gates open at 8:40am. Boys can be dropped at the front door from this time and will be supervised in their classrooms. Boys can be collected again at the front door of the school.

Lunch:

Students are provided with a hot lunch each day. We will send you a link in the coming weeks with the details of our lunch provider and you will be able to order a hot lunch for your son for his big lunch. Please also pack a piece of fruit for 'fruit break' and a snack for your son's small lunch. As per our healthy eating policy, boys are allowed one small treat on Fridays only. Please pack a bottle of water for your son and we don't advise using the screw top bottles, as they can leak and spill easily. Please ensure your son has a lunchbox that he can easily open and close independently.

Stationary & Books:

As per the government's free primary school books scheme, all books, copies etc will be provided in September. However, we ask that students pay €15 each for all stationary which will then be purchased by the school. This will include;

- Pencils
- Rubbers
- Pritt Sticks
- Whiteboard Markers
- Ruler
- Folders
- Colours

Please ensure your son's school bag is big enough to hold his folder and belongings.

There is no need to buy a pencil case.

All pupils in the school pay €60 in September to cover insurance, photocopying, art and craft, etc. You will receive a link with a request for payment for both this and the stationary in the coming weeks.

Uniforms:

A reminder that our school uniform and tracksuit can be bought in Fennessy's Shop, 31 William Street, Limerick or on their online shop at <https://fennessysonline.ie/>

School tracksuits can be worn on PE days. Your class teacher will let you know what days they will do PE.

Please ensure that boys can independently secure their shoes - we recommend velcro straps for this age group.

Please label all clothing and belongings.

School Website:

You will find the school calendar, policies and general information on our school website at www.ctkbns.ie We update our school Instagram page regularly with photos and school news. Our school Instagram page is @ctkbns. We use Aladdin to send home messages and information or you may receive a text message also.

Birthday Parties:

We kindly ask that birthday parties and invitations are arranged outside of school. This is to avoid any parents feeling pressure to invite the whole class or any of the boys being disappointed. Thank you for your cooperation.

Teacher Emails:

If you need to contact your class teacher throughout the year, you can phone our school secretary Anne on 061-453484 and leave a message for your class teacher. The teacher will phone you back at a time that is convenient. Alternatively, you can email your class teacher. Teachers will let you know their email addresses in September.

HSCL:

We introduced you to our Home School Community Liaison Coordinator Shane Cox at our Infant Open Night. If you need to get in touch with Shane his contact details are;

Phone Number: 083-0798149

Email: hsclcaherdavin@gmail.com

We are really looking forward to getting to know all of our new students in September and hope that you all have a lovely summer.

Kindest regards,

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