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Dear Parent / Guardian,

I hope you are having a relaxing and restful summer break. To prepare for the next school year, we have made available all necessary information on our website
<https://www.olss.ie/return-to-school-september-2026>

Please note that the various return to school dates & costs vary for each year group. The cost breakdowns are below and are outlined in the different letters on the school website at the link above. These costs can be paid at the school office any time before returning to school in August.

First Year

- Monday August 24th: First Year Book Rental in the GPA (parents & guardians can collect books)
- Costs: Yondr pouches, guidance related testing, Compass SMS messaging service, school locker, photocopying and school insurance €80 (paid by the majority of parents/guardians at the time of enrolment)
- Wednesday, August 26th: First Year Induction 9.00am- 1.15pm

Second Year

- Tuesday August 25th: Second Year Book Rental in the GPA (parents & guardians can collect books)
- Costs: Yondr pouches, guidance related testing, Compass SMS messaging service, school locker, photocopying and school insurance €80
- Friday, August 28th: Second Year students return to school

Third Year

- Tuesday August 25th: Third Year Book Rental in the GPA (parents & guardians can collect books)
- Costs: Yondr pouches, guidance related testing, Compass SMS messaging service, school locker, photocopying and school insurance €80
- Friday, August 28th: Third Year students return to school

Fourth Year

- Costs: Please note there will be a Transition Year fee of €300 for parents and guardians, covering a TY hoodie, rental of a chrome book for the year, all TY workshops and specific school trips, school insurance, guidance related testing, Compass SMS messaging service, a school locker, mobile phone Yondr pouches, and photocopying that students will receive for class notes, tests, etc, over the year.
- Friday, August 28th: Fourth Year students return to school

Fifth Year

- Costs: There will be a cost of €80 for parents and guardians, covering school insurance, guidance related testing, Compass SMS messaging service, a school locker, mobile phone Yondr pouches, and photocopying that students will receive for class notes, tests, etc, over the year.
- Friday, August 28th: Fifth Year students return to school

Sixth Year

- Costs: There will be a cost of €80 for parents and guardians, covering school insurance, guidance related testing, Compass SMS messaging service, a school locker, mobile phone Yondr pouches, and photocopying that students will receive for class notes, tests, etc, over the year.
- Thursday, August 27th: Sixth Year students return to school

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us at the school office. We are here to support you and your children as best we can.

I hope you enjoy the rest of the summer break, and I look forward to welcoming your children back to school at the end of August.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "E. Kelly". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Mr. Eddie Kelly
Principal