



18th June 2024

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

I hope that you and your families are keeping well.

Please see attached to this letter the following items for the coming academic school year 2024-2025.

• Uniform list: Click here

Year Costs: attached below

Book lists: Click here

Return to school information: see below

Voluntary Contributions forms

o Support Form Fund: attached below

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#### Uniform

The schools' uniform supplier is School Wear House who operate from Ballymount and also do online orders. They have a full stock of Our Lady's uniform including hockey uniform. Please view the uniform requirements for September on our website under the tab Documents and subfolder Uniform Requirements. You are also advised to view important information on acceptable school shoes and piercings on the website. We ask for your cooperation to ensure that each student is dressed in school in line with the Code of Positive Behaviour

#### **OLS NutriQuick Dome**

The OLS NutriQuick Sports Dome is now fully operational for our students. It is imperative that **PE shoes are non marking** so that all students can use the new facilities.

## **Preloved Uniform and Book Sale**

The annual Our Lady's School preloved uniform and book sale will take place on Monday 24th June between 11am and 2pm in the GPA.

# Raffle for a School Uniform Voucher

The Parents' Council raffle for a school uniform voucher to the value of 200 euros at Schoolwear House will remain open until the draw takes place on the evening of Monday, 24th June. Raffle tickets are available on Easy Payments Plus and are accessed via our school website. Search under RAFFLE to find tickets priced at €5 for one line (5 tickets) or €10 for 3 lines (15 tickets). The winner will be contacted following the draw.

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### **Reports**

1st to 5th Year summer reports are now available on olschool.vsware.ie

### **Return to School Information**

## Wednesday 21st August

8.30am - 2pm 6th Year Prefect Leadership Training

# Friday 23rd August

9.00 - 12.00pm	1st Year Students
9.00 - 10.30am	3rd Year Students
9.15 - 10.45am	6th Year Students

## **Monday 26th August**

8.30 - 10.30am	2nd Year Students
8.30 - 10.45am	TY students
8.30 - 10.45am	5th Year Students

## **Tuesday 27th August**

8.30am - 3.28pm	School day as normal 2nd to 6th years
9.00am - 3.38pm	1st Years start at a later time for a full day

# Wednesday 28th August

8.30am School day as normal for all

## **Year Costs**

Additional costs for each student, which cover items such as lockers, school journals, study skills workshops etc. are payable on or before the return to school date. Please note that prompt payment of these costs assists the smooth running of the school. Payments can be made online, via the 'Easy Payments' tab on the school website.

# Post Primary Free Book Scheme 1st, 2nd & 3rd Years

The school has worked tirelessly to ensure that all students in the incoming 1st, 2nd and 3rd year groups will have their Department of Education funded school books from the Free Post Primary Book Scheme and relevant stationery packs ready for them on their return to school. These books remain the property of the school and must be returned to the school for future use by other students. Please see the additional note on the free book scheme attached. https://www.gov.ie/pdf/?file=https://assets.gov.ie/286441/2caaccc0-411a-437a-bf38-ad5c1ab6a310.pdf#page=null

# **Voluntary Contributions**

Voluntary contributions go a long way to enhancing the facilities and teaching and learning in Our Lady's School for all our students. Thanks to all parents who assist financially in this manner. If you haven't contributed to date and are now in a position to do so we would be delighted if you could please fill out the attached forms. Please contact the bursar on bursar@olschool if you have any queries.

Alternatively you can pay online at 'Easy Payments'.

#### Book Grant 4th - 6th Year

The DES provides a grant to the school, to assist families who need help with the cost of school books. Families from students in 4th, 5th and 6th years experiencing difficulty may be eligible for assistance. Applications for a grant can be made by completing a 'Book Grant Form', which is available to download from the school website. Please send in forms with relevant documentation as outlined and receipts, to the office by September 30th. If you have any queries regarding this, please do not hesitate to contact us. All queries will be handled in the strictest of confidence.

#### **State Examinations**

We congratulate our 3rd and 6th Year students for all their hard work during the state exams and also for their calm and organised approach to their studies. A well earned break is now in sight for them.

I really look forward to meeting you all again in late August and I wish all our students and their families a happy, safe and peaceful summer.

Yours sincerely

Marguerite Gorby Principal