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Dear Parents/Guardians,

June 2019.

Welcome to our new Parents/Guardians who are joining John the Baptist Community School for the first time. We thank you for entrusting us with the education, development and care of your son/daughter.

Contact with the School

As part of our environmental awareness policy and to defray costs we are now working to be paperless school and all relevant school information, i.e. School Calendar, School Uniform, School Activities and Booklists can be found on our website <https://johnthebaptistcs.ie/>. Please visit the site regularly to keep up to date with school events and information.

VSWare (Student information Platform)

All information regarding reports, attendance, behavior can now be accessed at <https://johnthebaptistcs.vsware.ie/Login.jsp>.

As always if you have queries or would like to discuss any matters, please ring the school for an appointment.

Easy-Pay (Cashless transactions)

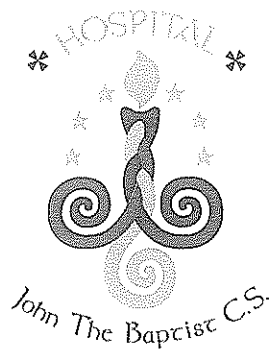
Please note that all payments can be made electronically through our Easy Payments Plus link <https://johnthebaptistcs.ie/online-payments/>.

The following are some of the immediate items that will need to be paid:

- **Locker keys (€10 per locker, maximum €25 per family)** This to be paid before your student returns to school
- After-school Study (open for 5th & 6th Yr students only at the moment)
- Other events during the year, i.e. bus trip for games/outings and educational trips, Irish and English drama productions and school books.
- Voluntary contribution - Thanks also for your financial support in the form of your financial contribution. Your support in this area is welcome as it helps defray the costs associated with the school bus, insurance, games, student journals etc., (€55 per student or €60 per family)
- €300 Transition Year Students - €150 of which should be paid already).

Student School Journal

Student journals will be distributed on the first day back on return after the summer holidays. Students will also receive their timetables. Some details need to be entered on the journal and we urge parents/guardians to do this at the start of the year and to check the student journal each week. If the journal is misplaced there is a replacement charge of €5 which can be paid on line.



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School Uniforms needs to be neat and tidy and some may require replacing as students get a lot of wear out of them and it lasts longer if students take them off when they go home. Uniforms in good condition that your son/daughter may have out-grown will be gratefully accepted by the school.

School P.E. Uniform (tracksuit pants, t-shirt, rugby shirt) and the school jacket will be available in the school from Wednesday 28th of August. The Supplier will be in the school. **The full pack is €110. Payment on the day to be paid directly to the supplier. Cheques payable to Laochra Sports.** Individual items can also be ordered and paid for directly to the company at school.

John the Baptist Community School Parents' Association

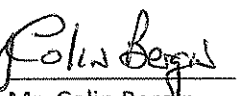
A huge thank you to the Parents' Association who work so hard on behalf of all the parents/guardians and provide such valuable support and advice on policies etc., as well as practical help at all school events. Please check the school website for your local representative.

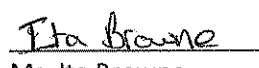
We wish you all a restful and happy and safe summer.

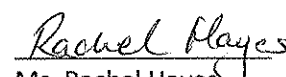
Ní neart go cur le chéile.

Yours sincerely,


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