

Preparing your child for starting school.

- Cultivate a positive attitude towards school.
- **Encourage curiosity, build self –confidence and develop an ability to listen in your child.**
- **Facilitate interaction with other children as this helps development of social skills.**
- Emphasize respect for oneself and for others and foster independence in your child.

Name Tag: – Please ensure your child has a **name tag** on for the first week.

School Bag:- A zipped school bag that your child can open/close independently is appropriate. The bag should be large enough to hold A4 material, a lunch box, a drink and a hand towel. A separate section is advisable for your child’s drink. Wheelie bags/lunch cases are not permitted. All other materials your child needs for Junior Infants will be supplied by the school. No toys are permitted unless specifically requested by class teacher.

Lunch: - Easy open lunch box and drink container [bottle/beaker] which is appropriate in size to your child’s age – no lunch cases. Small drink / separate section of bag. Small lunch eg. Sandwich, small piece of fruit. Actimels, yogurts, fizzy drinks sweets are not permitted. (**See Parents Booklet**). The use of tinfoil and plastic is not encouraged as these go into landfill.

Uniform: The school uniform is supplied by Bernard Owens Menswear, in Leixlip. Elasticated, unzipped school trousers are also available in Dunnes Stores. Label jumper, cardigan, coat, hat, scarf, navy socks, tracksuit and sweatshirt. Teach child to put on / take off / open / close coat. Mittens instead of gloves. Winter Shoe –Velcro, Runners–Velcro. Laces are not permitted at this level.

Use of toilet: Ensure your child is fully toilet trained. Personal [face cloth size] hand towel with child’s name sewn on should be in a plastic bag in your child’s school bag at all times.

Use of tissue/Handkerchief: Supply to child / teach how to use.

Hair: Girls long hair tied up off face. Check hair regularly for head lice.

To assist writing: Practice at home, colouring on unlined paper, simple colouring books, thick crayons, no pencils, markers etc. Cutting using child’s scissors, playdough, painting, tearing pictures from old magazines.

To assist reading: Read stories and chat about same, practice familiar nursery rhymes, jig saws.

Sick notes:- A sick note sent in to the class teacher is requested following any absence from school [see Parents Booklet]. It is not necessary to phone the school except in exceptional circumstances eg. Contagious illness. All school absences are logged and reported to the Educational Welfare Board, who will intervene when absences are unexplained.

Pupil Information Sheets: Please complete and return to the child’s teacher on familiarisation day.

Fees: The fee for ancillary materials is €95. This covers Pre-reading, Pre-writing materials and cards, copies, paper, paint, pritt stick, crayons, Art & Crafts materials, starter pencils, márla, jig-saws, scissors, school equipment photocopying, curriculum support materials, I.T. equipment, Ready to Write A, Planet Maths, Art copy, and School Report/Communications.

Place the money in an envelope with your child’s name on it and give it to the class teacher on the familiarisation day in June.

September Format for Junior Infants School Commences on Wednesday 31st August 2016 School day

Week 1	{Wednesday 31st Aug–Friday 2nd Sept.}	9.20am - 11.30am
Week 2	{Monday 5th – Friday 9th Sept}	9.00am – 12.00pm
Week 3	{Monday 12th – Friday 16th Sept}	9.00am – 12.00pm
Week 4	{From Monday 19th September <u>Full Day</u>}	9.00am – 1.40pm

<u>Familiarisation Week –Monday 13th –Friday 17th – June - 2.00pm - Junior Hall</u> R. 1 – Mon. 13th R. 2–Wed. 15th R. 3– Thurs. 16th R. 4 / 5 -Fri. 17th
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St. Thomas' J.N.S. Esker, Lucan

Senior Infant Book List Year 2016- 2017

Teacher: Ms. Maguire

Planet Maths	Senior Infants	Folens	€11.95
Grow in Love	(Rental)	Varitas	€ 8.99

**Above prices are quoted by Castle Book Shop Leixlip (Captains Hill beside Tuthills)
5% discount on books and 10% discount on stationery for the month of June & July**

Dear Parents

Above is the list of books your child requires for the school year 2016-2017.

Parents are asked to have all these books covered and in your child's schoolbag

on **Wednesday 31st August**. Your child will also have access to lots of books, equipment and resources that the school has built up over recent years.

Please forward the amount below to the class teacher not later than **Friday 24th June**.

If you are experiencing financial difficulty, please contact the principal /secretary as you may qualify for the pupils in need book grant.

Child's Name _____

Paper /Photocopying/Printing:	€12.00
Irish interactive resources	€ 2.50
Visual Arts:	€15.00
School Equipment:	€10.00
Assessment /Book Rental:	€ 4.00
Reading Materials:	€ 10.00
Copies, Pencils, Crayons Folders	€ 16.00
Computer Resources:	€ 8.00
School Administration/Communication:	€ 5.00
Large Pritt Stick (40gram)	€ 2.50
Music/Drama/Dance:	<u>€ 10.00</u>
Total Amount Due	€95.00

Teachers Name: Ms. Maguire

Amount Paid: _____



St. Thomas' National School

Dear Parents

Once again for the next school year, St. Thomas' will be operating a Book Rental Scheme for Senior Infant Pupils – there will be 1 Religion Book in the scheme.

The cost of renting this book for the school year is **€2.00** – at the end of the school year the book is returned to the school. It is important that the book is kept clean and in good condition as it will be rented on to other pupils the following year.

The **latest date** for entry to the Book Rental Scheme is **Friday 24th June**. There will be no one accepted into the Scheme in September. Could you please return the money and advice slip in a **seperate envelope** clearly marked “**Book Rental Scheme**” with your child's name, next years class and teachers name (if known).

The books will be distributed to your child in the first week in September.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Yours sincerely

Michael Maher
Principal

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Please return to class teacher by Friday 24th June

Senior Infant Book Rental

Child's Name _____

Address _____

Teachers Name _____

Grow in Love

€2.00

St. Thomas' J. N. S. Esker, Lucan

First Class Book List Year 2016- 2017 **Teacher: Ms. O'Loughlin**

Gaeilge:	Bua Na Cainte 1	EDCO.	€ 10.25	
Maths:	Planet Maths 1 st class	Folens	€13.95	
	Maths Challenge (1)	Folens	€ 6.95	
English:	Spellbound 1	Fallons	€ 6.30	
	Looking after Zara	(Rental Book)	Fallons	€ 6.40
	The New Suit	(Rental Book)	Fallons	€ 7.85
	Dancing Shoes for GG	(Rental Book)	Fallons	€ 8.60
	Feena's First Facts	(Rental Book)	Fallons	€7.60
Religion:	Grow in Love	(Rental Book)	Veritas	€8.99

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English Readers and Religion Books Available to Rent see attached sheet.**

Dear Parents

Above is the list of books your child requires for the school year 2016 –2017

Parents are asked to have all these books covered with name on front and inside text. They will need 2 H.B. pencils, parer, rubber, (no gimmicky rubbers please) in a pencil case, 30cm. and a ruler. These should, all be in your child's school bag on **Wednesday 31st August** , **please check regularly and restock if necessary**. Please forward the amount below to the class teacher not later than **Friday 24th June 2016**

If you are experiencing financial difficulty, please contact the principal/secretary as you may qualify for the pupils in need book grant.

Child's Name _____

Paper /Photocopying/Printing:	€15. 00
Irish interactive resources	€ 2.50
Visual Arts:	€15.00
School Equipment:	€15. 00
Computer Resources:	€ 8. 00
S.E.S.E. Materials	€ 5.00
School Administration/Communications:	€ 5.00
Shared Reading Materials:	€ 3.00
Homework Journal:	€ 3. 00
Copies & Folders:	€11. 00
40 G Pritt Stick	€ 2.50
Music/Drama/Dance	€ 10. 00
Total	€ 95.00

Teachers Name: Ms. O'Loughlin

Amount Paid _____



St. Thomas' National School

Dear Parents

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The cost of renting the books for the school year is **€2.00 for each book – total cost €10** for the **5 books** – at the end of the school year the books are returned to the school. It is important that the books are kept clean and in good condition as they will be rented on to other pupils the following year.

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Thank you for your co-operation.

Yours sincerely

Michael Maher
Principal

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First Class Book Rental

Child's Name _____

Address _____

Teachers Name _____

Looking after Zara	€2.00
The New Suit	€2.00
Dancing Shoes for GG	€2.00
Feena's First Facts	€2.00
Grow in Love	<u>€2.00</u>
Total	€10.00

St. Thomas' J.N. S. Esker, Lucan

Second Class Book List Year 2016– 2017 Teacher: Ms. O'Byrne

Gaeilge	Bua Na Cainte 2	EDCO	€11.25
Maths:	Planet Maths 2 nd class	Folens	€14.25
	Maths Challenge 2	Folens	€ 6.95
English:	Skills Book G Wonderland	Fallons	€8.90
	Spellbound 2	Fallons	€6.30
	The Treasure Hunt (Rental)	Fallons	€ 6.40
	GG's New Job (Rental)	Fallons	€ 8.10
	A Surprise for Feena (Rental)	Fallons	€ 8.95
	Feena's book of Facts (Rental)	Fallons	€8.95
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School Administration/Communication:	€ 5. 00
Shared Reading Materials:	€ 3. 00
Homework Journal:	€ 3. 00
Religion Materials:	€ 3. 00
Copies & Folder:	€ 11. 00
40 G Pritt Stick	€ 2.50
Music/Drama/Dance:	€ <u>10. 00</u>
Total	€ 95 .00

Teachers Name: Ms. O'Byrne

Amount Paid _____



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Yours sincerely

Michael Maher
Principal

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Second Class Book Rental

Child's Name _____

Address _____

Teachers Name _____

The Treasure Hunt	€2.00
GG's New Job	€2.00
A Surprise for Feena	€2.00
Feena's book of Facts	€2.00
Grow in Love	<u>€2.00</u>
Total	€10.00