

SCOIL DARA



9th June 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We hope you are all keeping well.

We wish to inform you that an Important Information Evening for Parents/Guardians of Incoming First Year Students will be held in Scoil Dara on Thursday 22nd June at 6pm.

This meeting offers a wonderful opportunity to gain information to support you and your child with the transition to secondary school. We look forward to welcoming you then and working in partnership with you in supporting your child's journey with us, through their post primary education.

Mr. Carty, year head to the First Years 2023-2024 and members of the senior management team will make a presentation on the key areas for consideration to best support your understanding of Scoil Dara and the changes from primary to post primary education.

We would like to bring your attention to the following preparatory steps:

1st Year Booklist

Book lists for all year groups are available on the Scoil Dara website www.scoildara.ie. Please do not purchase the option subject or modern foreign language texts until class lists are finalised.

Student Services Charge & Student Insurance:

The Scoil Dara Student Services Charge is payable on the Easy Payments Plus Platform accessed through the online payments tab on the school website.

Follow the steps below to create an account with Easy Payments Plus if you do not already have one:

Click on the "Online Payments" tab on the top right of the school website home page.

Click on "Pay Bill" on next window. You will be asked do you have an Easy Payments plus account. If not click on "No" and follow the steps to register. Once set up, accounts carry forward from one academic year to the next.

The deadline for the payment of the student service charge is Friday August 18th.

Student Insurance can also be purchased through the Easy Payment Plus Platform and is provided by Allianz Insurance.

Confirmation of Student Place Form

This form invites registration of the Modern Foreign Language your child wishes to study for their Junior Cycle and optional subjects they wish to engage in for the taster programme. The taster programme gives students the opportunity to participate in optional subjects they are interested in before the final decision for Junior Cycle options is made at the end of October.

Registration of relevant information relating to your child can be shared through this form, with relevant personnel in the school. This form must be submitted on or before June 23rd.

Please click on the link below to access the form.

<https://forms.office.com/e/kx7pa8gv5R>

Parents Association

The Parent Association is the structure through which parents/guardians in a school can work together with the staff, Principal and Board of Management to achieve the best possible educational experience for students (fundraising for extra and co-curricular activities and equipment, supporting new initiatives and educational programmes, inviting guest speakers, etc.). Guided by The Education Act, 1998, the Parent Association works with the principal, staff and the board of management to build effective partnership of home and school and is a support for parents in the school community.

We would like to invite parents/guardians who wish to become involved in the Scoil Dara Parents Association to register their interest on the evening or e-mail clodagward@scoildara.ie.

We wish all our incoming first year students the very best as they complete their final days in primary school. We look forward to meeting parents and guardians available to attend the meeting on June 22nd.

Kind Regards and thanks,

Mr. D Mc Cormack

