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A chara,

We hope that this letter finds you safe and well and that our students are enjoying the start of their summer holidays. To our staff and students, we say thank you and well done on the work you have all completed this past academic year.

We wish to update you on the following items:

Assessment Zone 2

Academic reports for Assessment Zone 2 will be made available on VSware next week. A text message will be sent to inform you that the reports are ready to be viewed. If you require a reminder, please send an e-mail to info@abbeycommunitycollege.com to request your log-in details.

Book Lists

Book Lists are now available under the *Teaching & Learning* section on our school website for the coming academic year 2022-2023. Alternatively, click [here](#) to view the book lists. Subject Choices for incoming 5th year students will be sent via post by the end of June.

Book Rental Scheme

Abbey Community College operates a *Book Rental Scheme* for textbooks. The fee for the academic year 2022-2023 is €100 which includes locker rental fee and a personal Student Record Book. If you wish to continue to take part in the *Book Rental Scheme*, the fee is due for payment by Monday, 1st August, 2022. Workbooks must be purchased separately. A copy of the *Book Rental Scheme Contract* can be found [here](#).

If you do not participate in the *Book Rental Scheme*, please pay €20 for locker rental fee and personal Student Record Book.

Family Contribution

You are asked to pay the *Voluntary Family Contribution* fee of **€70 per student** or **€120 per family**. This fee helps to defray the cost to the school of the following:

- Compulsory 24/7 Personal Accident Student Insurance
- IT infrastructure
- Valuable classroom resources and equipment
- Consumable classroom materials
- Co-curricular activities
- Contribution towards cost of buses
- Communication with home
- Administrative costs incl. VSware and Way2Pay
- School running costs incl. electricity, heating and security
- School cleaning costs

How to make payment of Book Rental Scheme and Family Contribution

- A link to make payment via Way2Pay (see details below) for the *Book Rental Scheme and Family Contribution* will be sent to your mobile phone.
- Phone Abbey Community College on 051-832930 ext. 1 to make payment by card.
- Email bursar@abbeycommunitycollege.com to request a call back.
- By cheque/postal order made payable to Kilkenny Carlow ETB and post to Abbey Community College, Abbey Road, Ferrybank, Waterford.

Provisional Return to School

Please see below our *Provisional Return to School Dates for Students for Academic Year 2022-2023*. A copy of this is also available on our website [here](#). Specific return times for all groups will be confirmed in August.

School Uniform

Please see below clarification on our school uniform. A copy of this is also available on our website [here](#).

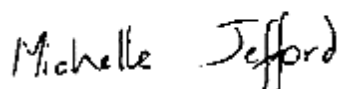
Contact Information

In order to continue effective communication with home, please notify the school immediately by email if your contact details (phone number or address) change. We can be contacted at info@abbeycommunitycollege.com.

We look forward to welcoming our students back to Abbey Community College in August.

Reflecting on this academic year and acknowledging the efforts of our students, staff and parents / guardians, we are so very proud of our school community who continue to live and promote our school ethos with enthusiasm and commitment as we all work *Together Towards Excellence*.

Yours faithfully,



Michelle Jefford
Principal



In Partnership with the Religious
of the Sacred Heart of Mary

Together Towards Excellence



Provisional Return to School Dates for Students 2022/2023

Friday, 26th August

Transition Year Induction

Tuesday, 30th August

1st Year Induction – Day 1

5th Year Induction

Wednesday, 31st August

1st Year Induction – Day 2

2nd Year Induction

Thursday, 1st September

1st Year Induction – Day 3

3rd Year Induction

6th Year Induction

Friday, 2nd September

Full school day for all – start time 8.45am

(students must have textbooks and materials for commencement of classes)

Specific return times for all groups to be confirmed in August



An effective income collection system for schools

Way2Pay is a swift & convenient cashless payment solution, enabling parents to pay school bill by text instantly or pay online. It is a secure and easy-to-use system for parents.



Pay by Text Message

Pay Online: www.way2pay.org

Advantages of Way2Pay payments system

- ✓ User friendly and flexible
- ✓ View current bills
- ✓ View payment history – all the bills for your child / children can be viewed
- ✓ Receipts sent by SMS
- ✓ Print receipts at any time
- ✓ 24/7, 365 access
- ✓ Secure payment solution – card details processed by an Irish Bank

Please note: Way2Pay offer support directly to parents with a dedicated call centre ready to assist with any queries or address any difficulties. Please contact helpdesk on 061-203738 during office hours or email way2payparents@three.ie.

Payments to Abbey Community College can also be made as follows:

Way2Pay (as detailed above)

By phone (051-832930 ext.1 to make payment with the Bursar by card

By emailing bursar@abbeycommunitycollege.com to request a callback

- By post to: Abbey Community College, Abbey Road, Ferrybank, Waterford
 - Cheques / Postal Orders made payable to Kilkenny Carlow ETB
- By cash to the Bursar's office during school hours

The following bills are owing each year by students:

- 1) Book Rental fee €100 which includes consumable classroom materials and personal Student Record Book (for students participating in the Book Rental scheme).
 - 2) Fees for Transition Year students (payable in two instalments)
 - 3) Fees for Leaving Certificate Applied (LCA) students
 - 4) Supervised Evening Study fees (priority given to 3rd years and 6th years)
 - 5) Family Contribution – this is a voluntary contribution that assists the school to develop further opportunities and resources for students (see letter above)
- Contribution is as follows:

- a) €70 per student
- b) €120 per family

**** If your mobile number changes, it is important to notify the school immediately****

If you have queries about any of the above, please do not hesitate to contact the school by phone at 051-832930 or email bursar@abbeycommunitycollege.com

School Uniform



Navy Jumper with Crest



Official School Tie



Plain White Shirt



Argyle Tartan Skirt
Knee-Length



Plain Navy Trousers



Plain All-Black Footwear or Navy Deck



P.E. Uniform

(to be worn on days you are partaking in P.E)



Crested 1/4 Zip



Crested Navy Polo



Plain Navy Tracksuit

What do I do if I am not in full uniform?

- Students without full uniform must present themselves with a note of explanation from their parent/guardian to the Principal, Deputy Principals or their Year Head before 8.40 am.
- Sanctions will follow if students do not have a valid explanation as per our Code of Behaviour.
- Students who persistently breach school uniform rules will not be allowed into class. Parents/guardians will be asked to collect them from school.