



SALESIAN COLLEGE CELBRIDGE AID TOWARDS THE COST OF SCHOOL BOOKS 2018-2019

The Department of Education & Skills may provide a sum of money each year towards the purchase of school books for pupils. As a school we are happy to support parents and families at this time.

Families who may need assistance may appreciate financial assistance because of:

- Unemployment.
- Prolonged illness of a parent.
- Inadequate means to support a large family.
- Being a single parent family.
- Other circumstances which would indicate a similar degree of financial hardship
- Have a number of children in the school with a large annual expense to incur

Such families may be divided into four categories, as follows:-

- a) Families which are dependent mainly on social welfare payments.
- b) Families on low income from employment. Such families are likely to be in receipt of Family Income Supplement, which is a weekly cash payment by the Department of Social Welfare to help families at work on low pay and / or beneficiaries under the Back-to-school Clothing and Footwear Scheme.
- c) Families which are experiencing financial hardship because of particular circumstances.
- d) Families who may have students going to first year or senior cycle or who have one or more children in the school.

The Department of Education points out that the possession of a medical card in his own right by a pupil does not qualify him for the receipt of assistance under the scheme. Receipts for books purchased must be kept and presented. Please indicate your current PPS number. The Principal must be satisfied that the claim is genuine. Requests for assistance in the purchase of school books must be made before **Friday 1st June 2018**. These requests will then be processed. A voucher for the Maynooth Bookshop, Maynooth or the Castle Bookshop, Leixlip, not cash, will be given to successful claimants.

If you wish to apply for assistance in the purchase of school books please indicate under which category you are applying.

Please note that the school will treat all applications with fairness and respect and in confidence, however there is no such thing as an “automatic entitlement” to this assistance. Parents who seek assistance with regard to school uniform and footwear should contact the Community Health Centre.

Yours sincerely,

B. Kearns,
Principal.



**CLAIM FOR ASSISTANCE IN THE PURCHASE OF BOOKS
2018-2019**

Deadline for all applications Friday 1st June 2018

I/We _____

_____ wish to apply for **the purchase of school books**

(a), (b), (c), (d) _____

for our/my son: _____

Current Class 2017/2018: _____

Class/Year 2018/2019: _____

Address: _____

Current PPS number: _____

Signed: _____

Parent / Guardian

_____ *Parent / Guardian*

Date: _____

Please return this form to the school by Friday 1st June 2018