



# **Junior Infants Information Pack**

## **2026-2027**

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12<sup>th</sup> May 2026

Dear Parents,

I look forward to your child starting in St. Conleth's College.

On Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May we look forward to meeting you and your child at our Meet the Teacher event (14.00-15.00). You will be invited to attend our 'Back to School' event on the same afternoon where you can purchase new or used uniforms and books for next year.

On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August Junior Infants are invited to meet their teacher, Ms. Redmond in the playground at Herbert Park from 09.30-10.30.

School starts for Junior Infants on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> August at 9:00 a.m. and finishes at 11:30a.m. These shorter days will continue until Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September. There will be no Afterschool care during this first week of school (31<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> September) in order to ease our new Junior Infants in.

From Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September onwards classes will finish at 1:45 p.m. except on Fridays when class finishes at 1:30 p.m.

Please note that the classroom will open at 8:45 a.m. daily. Morning Club is available from 7:45a.m. for a nominal fee. Please read the dedicated section in your welcome pack to learn more.

Please ensure that your child's belongings are clearly labelled from the first day of school- lunchboxes, jackets, books, water bottles etc. As school lunches are included in the school invoice, which you will receive in July, it is only necessary to bring a healthy snack for mid-morning break. You will receive your log in details for our canteen online ordering system in August.

An updated booklet to include all After-School Activities (ASAs) and costs will also be sent to you in late August. In September we will also host our 'Meet the Teacher' event which will give all new parents another opportunity to come, ask questions and chat.

Most importantly, I look forward to meeting you and your child at the start of their new term.

Yours sincerely,

**Dolores Kelly**  
*Head of Preparatory School*



This year our Junior Infants will wear Sports Uniform only as part of a pilot programme. You are invited to our 'Back to School' event on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 14:00-15:00 where all items can be purchased or ordered (see below). Alternatively, School Uniform can be bought directly from Uniformity (see below) throughout the Summer.

#### Junior Infants Uniform

- School Tracksuit Top
- School Tracksuit Bottoms
- Black Crested Polo
- Crested School Coat
- Runners
- Black Shorts or Skorts for warmer weather days

St. Conleth's College  
Junior School

GET  
**BACK TO SCHOOL**  
READY!

**FRIDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> MAY**  
14.00 - 16.00  
Canteen

- ✓ 26/27 School Books- Opening Minds
- ✓ New Uniforms- Uniformity
- ✓ Second Hand Uniform- JSPA

opening minds  
EDUCATIONAL

UNIFORMITY

All items of uniform should be clearly labelled with student's name.

The School Uniform Supplier is: [Uniformity](https://www.uniformity.ie)

Ph. (01)2300501/[www.uniformity.ie](https://www.uniformity.ie)

**Unit B, Three Rock Road, Sandyford Industrial Estate, Co. Dublin, D18  
H213**



## **Junior Infants Book List 2026-2027**

**IRISH:**                    *Abair Liom A - 2<sup>nd</sup> edition (Folens)*

**ENGLISH:**                *Just Phonics – Junior Infants 26 Letter Sounds (Educate.ie)*

**MUSIC:**                    *Into Music- Junior & Senior Infants - (Folens)*

### **COPY BOOKS and ACCESSORIES:**

- *Blank copy books- no lines or squares x2*
- *Project Copy Book*
- *A3 Large scrapbook (with lots of pages)*
- *One packet of colouring pencils to share (no Twistables please)*
- *Headphones (single jack or USB connector)*

Please ensure that all books are labelled on the outside cover with your child's name.



St. Conleth's College  
Junior School Calendar  
**2026-27**

Date	Details
<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August</b>	Students Return (Senior Infants to 6 <sup>th</sup> Form)
<b>Monday 31<sup>st</sup> August</b>	Junior Infants First Day
<b>Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September</b>	School Closed
<b>Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Mid Term Break Begins
<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November</b>	School Resumes
<b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> December</b>	Christmas Holidays Begin- School Closed 12:00
<b>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January</b>	School Resumes
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February</b>	St. Brigid's Holiday- School Closed
<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Mid Term Break Begins
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February</b>	School Resumes
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> March</b>	St. Patrick's Holiday- School Closed
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> March</b>	Easter Holidays Begin
<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> April</b>	School Resumes
<b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May</b>	May Bank Holiday- School Closed
<b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May</b>	School Closed
<b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Last Day- Summer Holidays Begin- School Closed 12:00

NB: Subject to change



## *St. Conleth's College Mission Statement*

St. Conleth's College aims to foster an environment where our students grow as individuals in every aspect of their lives. As a school we strive to enable each one to arrive at a fully rounded character, inspired by Christian charity and rooted in Gospel values. Being a small, tightly-knit community, our Catholic ethos and family atmosphere underpin our entire educational philosophy. To this end we welcome the continuous support of parents and guardians, recognising their primary role in the students' growth and development.

St. Conleth's seeks to provide a fully rounded Catholic education for all of its students by:

- creating a happy, healthy and safe environment in which all students may develop their own personal gifts and interests, be valued for who they are and experience true equality amongst themselves
- celebrating and deepening our Catholic faith through prayer, liturgy, religion classes, and the general fostering of Christian values
- providing a disciplined environment in which teaching and learning can take place in a spirit of co-operation
- promoting academic excellence and habits of perseverance in students
- equipping students with the necessary moral, social and cultural qualities useful for adult life, and offering them guidance regarding their future role and career in society
- fostering dignity in the workplace and encouraging respect among, and between, teachers, staff and students
- ensuring that students and staff of other churches and faiths are respected and encouraged in their religious beliefs and practices
- respecting students and staff who follow other beliefs and philosophies, and with whom we share common values of equality, peace, justice, dialogue and concern for the less fortunate members of society
- creating a sense of belonging to our local Parish, and also to the wider community around us and in countries of the developing world, and encouraging our students' involvement in social and religious activities

# MORNING CLUB & AFTER SCHOOL CARE



**HOMESCHOOL HELP**

**SCIENCE**

**ARTS & CRAFTS**

**COOKING & BAKING**

**INDOOR & OUTDOOR FUN**

Programme	Available to	Timings	Cost	
Morning Care	Junior Infants – 4 <sup>th</sup> Form	07:45 - 08:45	€5 daily €500 annually	
After School Care	All	13:45 - 18:00	<b>Junior &amp; Senior Infants</b> 13.45 – 18:00	<b>1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Form</b> 14.45 – 18:00
			<i>Monthly Cost:</i> 5 days week €429 4 days week €385 3 days week €341 2 days week €242 1 day week €121	<i>Monthly Cost:</i> 5 days week €330 4 days week €297 3 days week €253 2 days week €187 1 day week €110
After School Occasional Use			€35 per day or €18 up to 16.30	



# St. Conleth's Morning Club and After-School Care

## Morning Club

Morning club runs from the school canteen every morning from 7.45a.m. until 8.45a.m for students from Junior Infants to 4<sup>th</sup> Form. Students are supervised by Ms. Cecilia Franken, our After-School Coordinator, and encouraged to partake in social, relaxing and stimulating activities such as board games, arts and crafts, reading and chess. All activities run on a rotation and students are encouraged to explore, interact, and have fun. Students are then accompanied to their classrooms at 8.45a.m. for morning registration.

Morning Club is **€500 annually** or **€5 per day**. All fees are payable in advance through the *Easy Payment Plus* tab on our school website.

## After-School Care

After-school Care takes place in the Junior School classrooms, Canteen and playground every school day from end of day until 6.00p.m. and is available for students from Junior Infants to 6<sup>th</sup> Form.

*Junior and Senior Infants:*    *Mon - Thurs: 1.45p.m. – 6.00p.m.*    *Fri: 1.30p.m. – 6.00p.m.*

*1<sup>st</sup> Form – 6<sup>th</sup> Form:*    *Mon - Thurs: 2.45p.m. – 6.00p.m.*    *Fri: 2.30p.m. – 6.00p.m.*

During this time students are given opportunities to spend their time relaxing, socialising, completing homework activities, baking and cooking, and spending time in both indoor and outdoor settings. Students are offered an afternoon snack (sandwich and fruit) and are encouraged to refill their water bottle throughout the afternoon. The aim of After-School Care is to replicate and extend the home environment so that students can feel relaxed, supported and stimulated.

### After-School Fees:

#### Junior and Senior Infants (1.45 – 6.00p.m.)      Per month

Five days per week	€429
Four days per week	€385
Three days per week	€341
Two days per week	€242
One day per week	€121

#### 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Form (2.45 – 6.00p.m.)      Per month

Five days per week	€330
Four days per week	€297
Three days per week	€253
Two days per week	€187
One day per week	€110

#### Occasional use

Per day	€35
Part of the day up to 4.30pm	€18

To register your interest for 2025-26 please contact Cecilia at [afterschool@stconleths.ie](mailto:afterschool@stconleths.ie)



## St. Conleth's College No Smart Device Voluntary Code

Dear Parents/Guardians,

You may be aware from news coverage that schools across the country have introduced a 'No Smart Device Voluntary Code' for parents of children in primary schools. The JSPA, in conjunction with school management, are proposing that St. Conleth's Junior School would consider such an initiative.

### OVERVIEW

In summary this initiative asks parents to agree not to purchase a Smart Device (Watch or Phone) for their child while they are in the Junior School.

### WHY A NEED FOR THIS STEP?

There is a growing body of research on the negative effects which unsupervised access to the internet and social media sites may have on children under the age of 14 years. See for example the CyberSafe Kids Annual Report 2021/2022.

Concerns include exposure to pornography; negative/vile attitudes based on difference of any kind (gender, sexual orientation, race etc.); inappropriate sharing of photos; cyber-bullying; and distress. We would query whether it is a positive experience for children in the Junior School to be on social media sites - noting that the age of consent for these sites is in any event typically 13. A decision was made in September 2023 in our Secondary School which involves students 'bagging' their phone/watch in lockable pouches for the school day. After 6 months of implementation, feedback from the school management is entirely positive. We believe that this is a timely initiative which will help to protect children from the potentially negative sides of the internet and social media.

### THE VOLUNTARY CODE - KEY POINTS

The initiative offers parents/guardians the opportunity to enter a collective agreement not to purchase a Smartphone/watch for their child until they are finished in Junior School. This can reduce peer pressure to have a phone/watch and provide parents and guardians with peer support when responding to a child's requests for a Smartphone/watch. It is not intended that the initiative would preclude parents or guardians from providing a child with a "regular" mobile phone/watch which has no internet access, for communication/personal safety reasons.

Finally, we recognise and respect that parents and guardians may have different views in relation to this initiative and re-emphasise that the initiative is entirely voluntary.

### NEXT STEPS

Please take 2 minutes to complete [this form](#) and discuss your decision with your child.

We will treat this information confidentially and share a summary of the results in due course with parents and guardians.

Yours sincerely,

Junior School Parents' Association and School Management Team