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Junior Infants Stationery 2026/2027- Teacher: Nicola Costelloe

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Since September 2023, schoolbooks, workbooks and copy books for children in recognised primary schools have been provided to every child free by their school. There is no charge to parents/guardians for this, as schools receive funding from the Government to cover these costs.

Your child will receive a mixture of new books and workbooks along with books from our school store of classroom books. These books will be distributed to your child when we return to school on 27th August. It is important that books are kept in good condition so they can be reused. Please make sure your child keeps the school books safe and takes care of them, so they can be used again by another child in the future.

In the table below, your child's class teacher has outlined the stationery required for the school year ahead. **These items do need to be purchased by parents**.

Kind regards,

	Stationery Required	Additional Information
School Bag/Lunch bag/ Bottle	The children will need a school bag big enough to hold their A4 folder and lunch box. They will not be carrying heavy books between home and school in the infant classes. Larger bags with wheels are not suitable as they don't fit under the classroom tables. The children will need a lunchbox/ bag and reusable bottle that they can open and close independently.	Please ensure names are on all bags, boxes and bottles.
Folders	1 Extra Durable A4+ Mesh Folder with Zip	
Colouring Book	Colouring Book of Choice for children to use if they are in between 9.00-9.20 am. No school work will commence until 9.20am	

Other	Please ensure that your child has a well-stocked pencil case throughout the school year that includes: ● **Three** good quality triangular pointed pencils ● An eraser ● An easy to use topper/ sharpener ● Good quality twistables such as Crayola. (1 pack of normal twistables & 1 pack of skinny twistables would be ideal) ● Plastic triangular crayons are also excellent; Bic & FaberCastell are good brands ● Two large glue Sticks (Pritt stick type) ● 3 whiteboard markers (staedtler/bic brands) No markers are allowed as they are not suitable for use in the work books. Colouring Pencils are difficult for most children at the start of the year and require frequent sharpening. The children will need to keep an extra pants, underwear and socks in their bag in case of an accident or fall outside.	**Please ensure that all your child's belongings i.e. books, contents of pencil cases, lunches, coats, jumpers etc are clearly marked with the child's name** *Junior Infants love to share with their friends so each individual colour needs to be labelled with your child's name.

Important Information

- **Annual Contribution-€40 per pupil. Due September 2026. This can be paid in instalments during the first term. Payment can be made through the Aladdin App from late August onwards. The contribution covers;**
    - ➢ Art & Craft Supplies
    - ➢ Photocopying Costs
    - ➢ Music Teacher every Wednesday - Joan Slattery.

- The following payment structure will apply for the Annual Contribution
    - One child-€40
    - Two children-€80
    - Three Children- €110
    - Four or more children- €140
    - I would like to thank all our parents for their continued support with our annual contribution each year.

- Pupils in every class wear the official school tracksuit top, generic navy tracksuit bottoms/school shorts, generic sky blue polo shirt and navy/dark runners as the school uniform. The tracksuit top/shorts can be purchased here- https://borusports.ie/product-category/schools/bruree-ns/

Additional Information for new Junior Infants 2026/2027

Dear Parent/Guardian,
I am really looking forward to welcoming your child into the school on 27th August 2026. This is some extra information that may be helpful for September and covers some frequently asked questions. If you would like to ask any other questions or require extra information you can contact me by emailing nicolacostelloe@brureens.ie

- The children need to wear their school tracksuits every day. The tracksuit consists of a navy crested half-zip, a plain light blue polo and navy pants/school shorts. Runners with velcro are recommended.
- You will have ordered the tracksuit tops on the Open Morning on May 27th in the school. Extra tops/shorts can be ordered here- https://borusports.ie/product-category/club-shop/bruree-ns/. The navy bottoms and polo t-shirt can be purchased from any retailer.
- The children will have small and big break each day. Your child will receive a free hot lunch each day. This is part of the Hot School Meals Programme. We are currently in the process of selecting our provider for 2026/2027, details on our provider and how to order your child's meal will be provided during the summer holidays.
- School starts at 9.20 am. The school doors will open at 9am. There is no supervision on the yard before 9am.
- The children will be brought to the side gate at 2pm each day for collection. Please come up to the gate to collect them at this time. If the children are walking or cycling home with parents, they can be collected at the front gate at the traffic lights. Children that attend after school will be collected in the classroom at 2pm.
- **There will be an earlier collection time of 12.15 pm until Friday 4th September to give the children a chance to settle into the new environment.**
- The children should be able to use the toilet independently. If there are any toileting concerns/ issues please let the school know before the children start as every school will have an intimate care policy that requires parents to sign if personal care help is required.
- We ask that the children don't bring toys from home.
- I will use the Aladdin app to communicate with parents during the school year. I will also update the school Instagram every week with pictures and information about what we are learning.

I will hold an information night in September/ October to discuss your child's first year at school in more detail and answer any questions. I would really love for parents to attend even if you have other children in the school. I will speak about what we will be learning during the year and talk about the reading process.

I hope you all have a lovely Summer.
Thanking you,
Nicola Costelloe