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Dear Parent/Guardian,

I hope this letter finds you and your family well as you begin to enjoy the summer break. Please see the essential information below to help you plan for a successful school return in late August.

Compass

The school communication system is called Compass. This platform allows the parent/guardian to monitor student progress and communicate directly with the school. It is essential that you download the Compass App on your device and check on notifications/messages/emails daily. **All message communications with the parent/guardian will be through the Compass App only from August 2025.**

Student Direct Costs 2025/26

The Student Direct Costs approved by the board of management for the next school year are set out in the table below. There is an increase in the student direct costs to cover the rising costs of buses, admissions to events/activities, guest speakers etc.

The student direct cost payment covers items per year group as follows:

1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd Year	Transition Year	LCA 1 & 2	5 th & 6 th Year
24-Hr Insurance	24-Hr Insurance	24-Hr Insurance	24-Hr Insurance
Activities & Trips	Activities & Trips	Activities & Trips	Activities & Trips
Locker & Lock Maintenance	Locker & Lock Maintenance	Locker & Lock Maintenance	Locker & Lock Maintenance
Text-A-Parent	Text-A-Parent	Text-A-Parent	Text-A-Parent
Mock Exams		Mock Exams	Mock Exams
TOTAL €177	TOTAL €450	TOTAL €177	TOTAL €177

Beaufort College operates a cashless system. All fees must be paid online through the Way2Pay¹ online facility, <https://www.way2pay.org/>, see the link on the school in the parent section: <https://www.beaufortcollege.ie/> Lockers will be issued upon receipt of payment. School activities cannot be offered in the event of non/late payment.

All Student Direct Costs must be paid in full before 21st August 2025

CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE IF YOU ARE EXPERIENCING DIFFICULTY IN MEETING THE COMMITMENT IN FULL FOR DETAILS OF HOW TO ENGAGE WITH A PAYMENT PLAN.

¹ See Appendix 1 – Guide to using W2P.

Student School Book Scheme and Stationery Provision

The Department of Education Schoolbooks Scheme provides all textbooks, copies, and teaching and learning materials free of charge to all students.

Book Scheme

- The books provided under the book scheme always remain the property of Beaufort College. These books are lent to students for the academic year and must be treated with care and respect.
- It is important to note that books already in circulation under the existing schoolbook rental schemes will continue to be used in addition to the books purchased under the new scheme.
- It is the responsibility of parents/guardians to ensure that students handle the books with care to facilitate their reuse by the school in subsequent years.
- Parents/guardians are expected to cover the cost of replacing any lost or damaged books, beyond ordinary wear and tear. This includes damage caused by negligence or mishandling.

Replacement of lost books is the responsibility of the student/parent/guardian.

Stationery Provision

- Beaufort College will provide a standard stationery pack for all students, as outlined in Department of Education guidelines. This pack is intended to cover basic stationery needs for academic purposes.
- **Parents/guardians should be aware that the provided stationery pack may not fully cover all subjects' total stationery and equipment requirements. See the school website for further details.**
- Additional stationery or specialised equipment required for specific subjects may need to be acquired separately by parents/guardians. This requirement will be notified to parents in August.
- Used and/or lost stationery is to be replenished/replaced by Parents/Guardians.

Responsibilities of Parents/Guardians

- Parents/guardians are expected to support their child's education by ensuring they have the necessary materials for learning, including textbooks and stationery. This includes the safeguarding of books/equipment/stationery for the duration of Junior Cycle as per school policy.
- Regularly checking and monitoring the condition of books and stationery items provided to students is encouraged. Any issues should be reported to the school.
- In cases of loss or damage to books or stationery, parents/guardians should notify the school immediately and arrange for replacement or reimbursement as required.
- **Parents/guardians facing difficulties in meeting the student direct costs should contact the Principal who will discuss payment options.**

Class Timetable 2025/26

Monday/Tuesday/Thursday/Friday: The school day begins at 8:40 am and finishes at 3:40 pm.

Wednesday: The school day begins at 8:40 am and finishes at 1:04 pm.

Time	Period	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.40 – 9.38	1					
9.38 – 9.50	2	Wellbeing	Wellbeing	Wellbeing	Wellbeing	Wellbeing
9.50 – 10.48	3					
10.48 – 11.08		BREAK				
11.08 – 12.06	4					
12.06 – 13.04	5					
13.04 – 13.44		LUNCH			LUNCH	
13.44 – 14.42	6					
14.42 – 15.40	7					

Return to School Dates 2025/26

Start Date	Year Group	Time
Thursday 21st August	1 st Year ONLY	11.08 AM – 1.04 PM
Friday 22nd August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1st Year 3rd Year 6th Year inc. LCA2 students 	11.08 AM – 1.04 PM
Monday 25th August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1st Year 2nd Year 3rd Year 5th Year inc. LCA1 students 6th Year inc. LCA2 students 	11.08 AM – 3.40 PM
Tuesday 26th August	All Years	8.40 AM – 3.40 PM

The School Uniform Policy 2025/26²

Please note the following:

- Students must present in full school uniform every day.
- All Black footwear **only** must be worn.
- On PE days, students must wear the two-piece Beaufort College PE uniform (crested half-zip top and crested black tracksuit bottoms).

² See Appendix 2

- If students choose not to wear the two-piece Beaufort College PE uniform; they must wear their normal day uniform and use the changing facilities.
- The school jacket³ is compulsory for all 1st to 5th year students; order through the link: www.schooluniformsdirect.ie

*ALL UNIFORM ITEMS (EXCEPT SCHOOL JACKET) CAN BE ORDERED THROUGH
GEOGHEGANS, TRIMGATE STREET, NAVAN. (SEE APPENDIX 2)*

The School Calendar 2025-26⁴

Important dates for the year ahead are enclosed for your information. I wish to take this opportunity to draw your attention to the Relationships & Sexuality (RSE) provision dates set out in the calendar. Further information may be found in the student learning journal.

Wishing you an enjoyable summer break and looking forward to the new school year.


Yours Sincerely,



Ken Flynn
Principal

³ See Appendix 3

⁴ See Appendix 4

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Way2Pay is a swift & convenient cashless payment solution, enabling parents to pay school bills by SMS - instantly pay online with just a few simple clicks. We provide a secure and easy-to-use system for parents, saving time and eliminating children carrying cash to school.

Pay Online: www.way2pay.org

Login on your first visit by entering your mobile number in 3538xxxxxxx format as your username and password. You will be prompted to create a system password. Click the Forgot Password link to reset it

Pay by Text Message

A payment request text is sent to you from the school. Click the link and pay in 3 easy steps:

- 1) Choose a bill to pay.
- 2) Tick T&C and Pay by Card Online.
- 3) Enter card details on secure banking system

Designed for Parents

- User friendly & flexible
- No need to register
- Manage bills for siblings
- No more permission slips
- FAQ section
www.way2pay.org/FAQ

Parents Dashboard

- View current bills
- Payment history – all your bills, all children, all schools
- Receipts by SMS
- 24/7, 365 access
- Print receipts at anytime

Payments & Reporting

- Pay by instalments
- Cash and Card Terminals
- Extensive reporting options
- Facilitates transparency on school accounts

**Security**



- Reduced cash on premises
- No children carrying cash
- Secure payment solution – card details processed by an Irish bank.

For support, check out our [FAQ](#) section, the online Chat Now at the bottom of the screen or contact our helpdesk at way2pay.support@boipa.com
We invite you to use Way2Pay and help your school to go cashless.






Appendix 2 – School Uniform 2025-26 (All items available from **Geoghegans, Navan** except school jacket)

Beaufort College's school uniform forms a pivotal part of the school community's rules and expectations which all partners embrace upon accepting a place in the school.

Junior Formal Day Uniform	Junior and Senior PE Uniform	Senior Formal Day Uniform
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Knee-length Grey skirt/Formal School trousers ○ Wine, crested Jumper ○ Grey shirt (2/3 recommended) ○ School Tie 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Crested half-zip top ○ CRESTED BLACK SPORTS TROUSERS (NEW) ○ Plain black or white t-shirt <p>Full PE uniform may be worn on days when PE is timetabled only.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Knee-length Black skirt/Formal School trousers ○ Black Beaufort crested jumper ○ White shirt (2/3 recommended)) ○ School Tie
		

The School Jacket is compulsory for all Junior, Transition Year and 5th Year students. The jacket may be purchased from www.schooluniformsdirect.ie

Foot Wear

<p>Plain black footwear</p> <p>Any plain ALL-BLACK (including black sole) footwear are permitted to be worn with the Formal Day Uniform.</p> 	<p>The picture opposite are examples of shoes that are NOT permitted to be worn with the Formal Day Uniform.</p> 	<p>Fashion/sport tops and hoodies are NOT part of school uniform and are not permitted at any time. All such items will be confiscated.</p> 
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Beaufort College

Mobile shop will visit your school for

Jacket Fitting & Purchase

Tuesday August 12th 1pm to 2pm

Tuesday August 19th 1pm to 2pm

Minimum deposit payment of €30 must be paid on all orders

Cash & Card payments accepted on all above dates

Payment cannot be accepted via telephone or cheque

Order Online

www.schooluniformsdirect.ie

Contact us

info@schooluniformsdirect.ie

(059) 64 81241 (086) 898 3937

Kaideen & Co. Ltd., Baltinglass, Co. Wicklow (W91 C8CE)



"Jacket Fitting & Purchase" dates are when School Uniforms Direct visit your school so that students can be fitted for and purchase their new school jacket

If an item needs to be ordered for you there is the option of paying in full or paying a minimum deposit of €30.

How do I get my uniform?

Purchase your new jacket in your school on the date(s) noted on this flyer.
Jackets can also be purchased online throughout the year from www.SchoolUniformsDirect.ie.

What if I cannot visit the school on the collection day?

If you have ordered a jacket and cannot collect it during our school visit we suggest you give your docket or a photograph of your docket to another parent/friend and have them collect it for you.
Alternatively you can visit our shop or have it delivered by courier (delivery charges apply, parcel must be signed for & significant processing time must be allowed for prior to school commencing).

How do I pay for my uniform?

Card and cash payments only accepted on the days we visit your school.
Cheques and telephone payments cannot be accepted.

My child is still growing, it is too early to fit for a uniform?

It is recommended to purchase your new school jacket early.
Leaving it until the week before school begins is not advised.

Here in School Uniforms Direct we have many years of experience fitting students with uniforms to fit for the full school year ahead and hopefully a little longer. With this experience we ensure to allow for growth over the summer time too.
We ask you to trust our judgement and recommendations when we measure your garments larger than needed at the time of fitting.
If you wish to change sizes upon collection that is no problem.
(Excluding personalised goods.)

What is your returns policy?

Items can be returned within 30 days of purchase or school delivery with a valid receipt and goods unworn, in their original packaging and with tags still attached.
Personalised garments cannot be changed, exchanged or refunded.

Appendix 4: The School Calendar - Important Dates for the Academic Year 2025-26

Important dates for the year ahead are enclosed for your information. It is important to take note of year-group assessment dates, Parent-Teacher meeting dates, and RSE provision dates. Parent/guardian(s) must contact the Year Head to withdraw their child from the planned RSE provision *PRIOR* to the date outlined below.



Return Date

- **21st August 2025** – Refer to pg. 3 of this Welcome Letter for individual year group details
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School Closures

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| • 29th September 2025 | • 2nd December 2025 |
| • 1st December 2025 | • 15th January 2026 |
| • 16th March 2026 | • 23rd March 2026 |
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Parent–Teacher Meetings

- **6th October 2025** – 6th Year
 - **4th November 2025** – 3rd Year
 - **4th December 2025** – 1st Year & TY
 - **29th January 2026** – 2nd Year & 5th Year
 - **24th March 2026** – 3rd Year & 6th Year
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Assessment Schedule

- **Autumn Assessments:** 10th–14th November 2025
 - **Mock/Spring Assessments:** 3rd–13th February 2026
 - **Summer Assessments:** 25th–29th May 2026
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RSE Provision

- **3rd December 2025 – 27th January 2026**