

Lusk Community College

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16th August 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian,

I am writing to you to outline important details and dates in relation to First year student return to Lusk Community College.

Firstly, I would like to extend a huge welcome to our two hundred and five incoming first year students. First year students will be fully supported by the staff of Lusk Community College who are eager to meet all of our new students. A class tutor has been assigned to every class group who are supported by the Year Head, Ms. Niamh Blanche, who will be on hand to help our first-year students settle in.

Outline of School Return

Wednesday 23 rd August	
Time	
10.30 - 13.00	All First Year - Induction
Thursday 24 th August	
8.30 – 13:10	All First Year - Induction
Friday 26 th August	
	No School
Monday 28 th August	
	No School
Tuesday 29 th August	
8.30 – 12.15	All First Year – Timetabled classes
Wednesday 30 th August	
8.30 – 15.35	All First Year – Timetabled classes
Thursday 31 st August	
8.30 – 15.35	All First Year - Full School Return

Arrangements for Wednesday 23rd August

It is most important that students return to school and settle into a comfortable routine as quickly as possible. To ensure that students enjoy their first days at Lusk Community College it is important that the

return is conducted in a safe controlled manner. It is important that students are punctual and arrive to school on time. Staff will be waiting to greet our incoming 1st year students at the main door.

The school will take care to induct and introduce all incoming first years to LuskCC

- All students must arrive at 10.30am sharp
- All students must be in full school uniform including fully black footwear
- Students should bring their pencil case and a copy.
- Students should bring their iPads on Thursday 24th August
- Students should bring a small snack and drink. There will be no canteen facilities open at this point.

Mobile Phones

The use of mobile phones on the school grounds in Lusk Community College is prohibited. Students should switch their phones off before entering the school grounds and store safely in their school bag.

Outline of Induction Sessions:

First year students will follow an induction programme during their first few days, this is aimed at helping them to settle into post-primary school here in Lusk Community College. During the induction students will be introduced to the school, meet with their tutor and Year Head and tour the new school building.

We understand that parents and students may be anxious about entering secondary school for the first time. Please be assured that the school will make every effort to make the transition as happy and as smooth as possible.

LCC E-Book Loan Scheme

Parents will be notified of days which books can be collected for the E-Book Loan Scheme. Text messages will be sent out in advance of students returning to school. As previously stated parents of incoming first years should not purchase books from the Wriggle bookstore as we have the E-Book Loan Scheme in place. When parents collect the bundle of books there will be an instructional information sheet in relation to ebooks. This should be read through and followed carefully. Parents do not need to do anything until they have these instructions.

Parents wishing to make payments through the school online payment system may do so through the school website <http://www.luskcommunitycollege.ie/>

Wriggle Webinars

From Monday 21st August, Wriggle will be providing free webinars as a support for parents and students. It is recommended that all 1st year students and a parent/guardian attend these webinars. The webinars cover a wide range of topics such as

- Support with setting up and using your new device
- Exploring and setting up accessibility features
- Guidance on safely managing devices at home
- A guide to the full library of supports for parents and students on the Wriggle Connect training platform

A link to further information on these webinars and to register is available [here](#).

Parent/Guardian Access to the School

Parents are not permitted to drive on to the school grounds to drop students. School buses, taxis and staff are the only vehicles allowed to enter the school grounds. Due to the volume of traffic both vehicular and pedestrian no cars can use the school entrance as a turning point. This is extremely important for the safety of all students. Parents where possible should arrange to drop children safely away from the school. There

is pedestrian access to the school via Raheny Lane and also via Lusk Sports Hub. Parent/Guardian access to the school building is by appointment only.

Start and Finish Times for 2023/24 School Year

First Year start and finish times are outlined below.

Year	Start	Finish (Mon – Thurs)	Finish Friday
1 st Year	08:30	15:35	13:10

Our wish here at Lusk Community College is to create an atmosphere where all students feel as though they belong. This is a place where we want your son/daughter to achieve their academic potential. We also wish that within LCC, your child can develop personally and socially in order to prepare them best for the challenges in their lives ahead. We look forward to working with you towards these goals in the years ahead.

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the school by emailing nblanche@luskcc.ie or call the school office directly on 01- 5130000. In cases of emergency the school mobile may be contacted on 086 0125016. Please note that this is for emergencies only.

We look forward to welcoming our 2023/24 First Year students to Lusk Community College in the next few weeks.

Kind regards,



Niamh Blanche
1st Year Head