

# Lusk Community College

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# Coláiste Pobail Lusca

Lána Ráth Éanaigh. Bóthar an Rátha Mhóir,  
Lusca, Contae Bhaile Atha Cliath.



21<sup>st</sup> February 2024

## Re: Incoming First Year 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian,

I hope that this letter finds you well. You are receiving this letter if you have accepted a place in Lusk Community College for your son/daughter starting September 2024.

We are excited to launch a series of events to provide parent/guardians and students, with the necessary information required to make the progression from primary to second level education. The school understands that while this is an exciting time, it can also generate much anxiety for students and parents alike. It is our intention over the coming months, to communicate, update and provide you with all of what is required to help make this important transition.

We are delighted to be welcoming 210 incoming first year students to Lusk Community College in September 2024. For our part, it is a critical investment in our school's future, to ensure that each of our new students get the best possible start to life at Lusk Community College. Please be assured that all at Lusk Community College are committed to a positive start to secondary school life for your son/daughter.

The Following Information is included in this pack: (Sent by post)

- Calendar of events
- Cat Assessment Schedule
- MIT – School payment system, Set Up & log in details. (Green Sheet)
- Grants Uniform Information
- Information on contacting the school

**Important Note: Due to the growth and popularity of our school, please be aware, that Lusk Community College is oversubscribed. LCC has already a significant waiting list for September 2024 Incoming First Year Students. If you have accepted a place in the College for 2024, and do**

not intend to use this place please contact the school office, 015130000 or via [incoming@luskcc.ie](mailto:incoming@luskcc.ie) . In addition to this, if you are holding a school place in more than one school in the area, please decide on your school of choice and immediately inform the school that you are not accepting the school place.

## First Year Online Information Night

An Online Information Night, for Parent/Guardian and students and will take place **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February, 7.00pm.** At this point, parents/guardians will have a text message communication from Lusk CC regarding Cat4 assessments and a text message link to this letter on the school website. (This letter will also be sent by post).

A further text containing a registration link will soon be sent which will allow parent/guardians to register for this upcoming event on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup>. We would ask that the registration link is not shared or reposted on social media platforms. Where a parent is not receiving text messages or if you are receiving this letter by post and have not received the above text messages to your phone, please contact the school office 015130000 or email [incoming@luskcc.ie](mailto:incoming@luskcc.ie)

The online event will be run on the Microsoft Teams platform. Parents are asked to download the MS Teams App to their device in advance of Wednesday's meeting, for ease of access.

## Content for Online Presentation

The following will be covered during Wednesdays online meeting:

- School curriculum (including languages and optional subjects)
- LCC School uniform and uniform supplier. (pop up shop dates)
- iPad information, purchasing with Wriggle, Wriggle store dates
- Entrance assessment overview
- Transitioning - calendar of events
- Additional Educational Needs (AEN) including Special Class
- Budgeting costs overview
- Transitioning school supports.

Information night slides will be available on the school's website following the event

[www.luskcommunitycollege.ie](http://www.luskcommunitycollege.ie) .

## Entrance Assessments

Entrance assessments will take place in Lusk Community College on 1st and 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2024

Entrance Exam Date	School
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Lusk NS</li></ul>
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March 8:45am – 1.00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ RALET NS</li><li>▪ Ballyboughal NS</li><li>▪ Hedgestown NS</li><li>▪ Corduff NS</li><li>▪ All other non-feeder schools</li></ul>

Students from the schools listed to attend on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March should be at Lusk Community College at 8:45am. Students should bring:

- Snack
- Drink
- HB pencil
- Sharpener
- Eraser.

On arrival, students will be met by a member of the LCC school community and directed to the assessment centre. It is not required that students wear their primary school uniform for the Saturday entrance assessment. Parents should be at the school entrance to collect students following the assessment, 1.00pm Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March. Please be very clear with your son/daughter on arrangements for collection after the assessment at 1.00pm.

Lusk NS students will complete their assessments on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March. Students should attend LNS as normal on this day. Arrangements have been made with LNS for students to travel to Lusk Community College with their teacher and return to LNS during the normal primary school day.

Ahead of the scheduled entrance assessments, and in order to address any questions/worries that parents/students may have, information surrounding entrance assessments will be discussed at the online information event on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024.

**Parent/Guardians Note: For Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March assessments, please ensure that the school is provided with information concerning a medical condition/medication which may need to be administered during the morning. This can be done using [incoming@luskcc.ie](mailto:incoming@luskcc.ie) , contacting the school office 01513000, and by speaking with LCC staff on the morning of the assessment.**

## LCC School Uniform - Grants

Lusk Community College school uniform supplier is Grants Clothing, [www.grantsclothing.ie](http://www.grantsclothing.ie)  
Grants Clothing location and contact information flyer is enclosed and can also be found at the website listed above.

Grants Clothing will be in the school and will operate a Pop-Up shop on two consecutive dates in early May:

- **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 3.00pm-7.00pm**
- **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May 3.00pm-7.00pm**

Further Information on the Lusk Community College school uniform and Uniform Policy can be found on the school website.

## IPAD Purchase – Wriggle – **NO ACTION NEEDED**

Lusk Community College use the Apple Ipad device as a learning tool. Students will have eBooks on their iPad and a hard copy of the book at home for homework and study.

Ipads should be purchased through our technology partner Wriggle. All Ipads in Lusk Community College are managed and configured by Wriggle. Wriggle install a management system on all devices used in the school which controls access and download of specific educational apps.

**All devices in Lusk Community College must have the management system in place installed by Wriggle.**

**The Wriggle store will open for orders between the following dates: 2<sup>nd</sup> April – 18<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

for ordering and purchasing Ipads. At a later stage, parent/guardians will be required to register and create a Wriggle Account. A store code for Lusk Community College will be sent via text to

parent/guardians in advance of the store opening date, which will allow parent/guardians to access the LCC Wriggle Store.

Ipads orders made after the 18<sup>th</sup> June will incur a surcharge and are unlikely to be ready for the start of the new school year. When ordered, Ipads will be delivered directly to parent/guardians home address from Wriggle.

At this time Parent/Guardians do not need to do anything in relation to Ipads. Further information on this will follow. The school will notify parent/guardians when action is required.

**Please Note:** Lusk Community College operates an E-Book Loan Scheme for all students. In the past a fee was associated with this scheme. You may be aware of Government plans to provide free books to Junior Cycle students. To date, we have received no information in relation to the details of this scheme from the Department of Education. When we have information on this new arrangement, we will inform parent/guardians.

However, it is very important that books and eBook's should not be purchased/ordered through Wriggle.

## MIT – School Online Payment System

The green page attached (send by post) contains details of LCC MIT Online Payment System. By following the instructions parent/guardians will create a payment account. We ask all parent/guardians to create an MIT payment account which will allow for ease of payment for trips, materials, etc, as they arise.

Should you have any queries in relation to your son/daughter's transition to LCC, please contact the school office at 01 5130000 or email [incoming@luskcc.ie](mailto:incoming@luskcc.ie). We look forward to meeting you online on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

Yours Sincerely



Pat Cole

Principal

## Important Dates for Incoming First Years 2024

Day	Date	Event
Wednesday	28 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	Information Evening (Online)
Friday	1 <sup>st</sup> March 2024	CAT4 Assessment for <b><u>Lusk SNS</u></b>
Saturday	2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2024	Cat4 Assessment for <b><u>all schools (Other than Lusk SNS)</u></b>
Thursday	21 <sup>st</sup> March 2024 (tbc) 6.00 - 7.00pm	Option Subject Evening
Tuesday	2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2024	Wriggle Store Opens
Wednesday	8 <sup>th</sup> May 2024 3-7pm	Grants Pop Up Shop
Thursday	9 <sup>th</sup> May 2024 3-7pm	Grant Pop Up Shop
Tuesday	18 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	Wriggle Store Closes
Week Beginning	19 <sup>th</sup> August	Potential start for 1 <sup>st</sup> Years Collection of books, etc

***The above dates are subject to change.***

***Parent/Guardians will be informed about any changes via text message.***