



Incoming First Years Parents/Guardians

February 26th 2026

Agenda



- Transfer to Post Primary

Mr Fogarty

- IT – Devices

Ms Butler

- Daily Issues

Mr Gallagher

Our Lady's Secondary School



- Forty Years since the formation

1985



Our Lady's 1985 – 2025



WSE MLL Report -- Feb 2024



‘Commitment to Student care was central’

‘Teaching and Learning were very good’

‘Leadership and management was commendable’

‘nurturing of encouraging, respectful relationships’

‘high level of commitment to whole school wellbeing’

Inspection Report -- Feb 2026



‘Student behavior was excellent, and relationships between teachers were observed to be very positive and supportive’

Transition to Post Primary



- Exciting time
- Excellent Transition Programme at Our Lady's
 - Yearhead & Class Tutors
 - First Year Mentor
 - Cairdeas
 - Guidance Counsellor
 - Deputy Principal/Principal
- Solutions focused approach

Transition to Our Lady's



- Application forms received in December 2025
- Offer of place
- Request for Enrolment forms
- CAT (23th/24th Jan)
- Information session Feb 26 2026



Transition



Assignment of Classes

1. Mixed Ability
2. Gender Balance
3. At least one student from primary school
4. Other

Education Passport

Transition



Primary School Visits
O'Rourke(AEN)

Ms. Butler & Mr.

AEN Students

1. Information
2. AEN Coordinator
3. Support Plan in Place for Aug 2026

2026/2029



JUNIOR CYCLE PROFILE OF ACHIEVEMENT



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State Certified Final Examination

Irish L2 (H)	Partially Achieved
English (H)	Achieved
Mathematics (H)	Achieved
History (C)	Merit
Geography (C)	Merit
German (C)	Merit
Business Studies (C)	Merit
Music (C)	Merit

Classroom-Based Assessments - Subjects

Irish L2	Language Portfolio	Not Reported
	Communicative task	In Line with Expectations
English	Oral Communication	Above Expectations
	The Collection of the Student Texts	Not Reported
Mathematics	Mathematical Investigation	In Line with Expectations
	Statistical Investigation	Not Reported
History	The Past in My Place	Above Expectations
	A Life in Time	Not Reported
Geography	Geography in the news	Above Expectations
	My geography	Not Reported
German	Oral Communication	Not Reported
	The Student Language Portfolio	Not Reported
Business Studies	Business in action	Above Expectations
	Presentation	Not Reported
Music	Composition Portfolio	Not Reported
	Programme Note	Above Expectations
	Extended Experimental Investigation	Above Expectations

Curriculum



CORE

- English (HL & OL)
- Irish* (HL & OL)
- Maths (HL & OL)
- History
- Religion
- Geography
- Science
- Business

Wellbeing

- PE
- SPHE
- CSPE

Curriculum



Taster

- Wood Technology
- Engineering
- Graphics
- Music
- Home Economics
- Visual Art

4 weeks of each

Choose Two after 12 weeks

Language

- French
- German

4 weeks of each

Choose One after 8 weeks

Curriculum -- Assessment



- Exam Papers

2 Hours

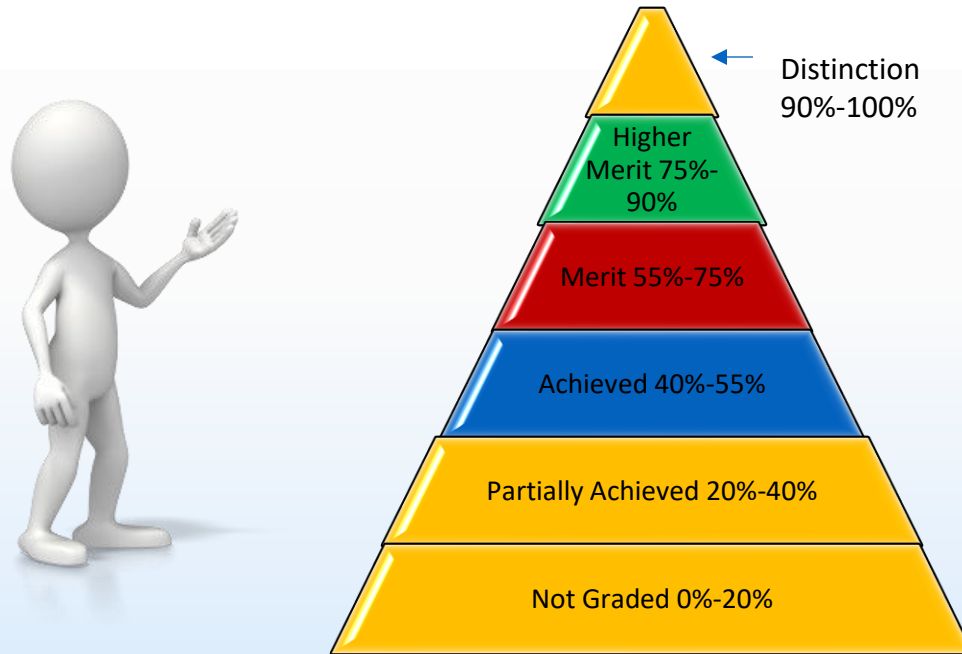
3rd Year

- CBAs (Class Based Assessment)

2nd & 3rd Year



State Examinations



Classroom Based Assessment

2026/2029



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Books



- Books and Classroom resources will be provided - collection in August 2026
- Further books based on choice (throughout the year)
- Policy required to be signed
- School Journal provided
- Replacements not provided

Classroom Resources



Item	Amount
A4 Manuscript Book	10
A4 Refill Pad	1
A 4 Plastic Display Folder (40 sheet)	1
B4 Plastic Zip Folder	5
A4 Science Copy	1
Music Manuscript (Music students)	1
Log Tables/Maths Formula	1
Scientific Calculator	1

Mobile Phones



- Ministerial directive
- Circular

August 2024

June 2025

- New policy
 - Students are embracing
 - Cultural change
 - Parents/Guardians – Challenge
 - Devices part of the solution

School Uniform



- Uniforms are available in Grey's Templemore
- School Tracksuits – Grey's Templemore
- School Jacket
- Currently conducting a review - complete Sept 2027

Uniform



Jackets & Sports Gear

- Culture
- Online store – O Neill's

Student Awards



- Linked to our Code of Positive Behavior
- Not perfect – consistent review
- School Self Evaluation Process
- Award Ceremonies – Christmas and Summer



Deputy Principal

Secondary School Education



*Every student needs
a device in their hand
for every class
every day*



Asus BR12 2-in-1 Student Laptop



- Asus BR12
- 128GB Storage
- 8GB Ram
- Touchscreen
- Stylo Pen
- Converts from a Laptop to a Tablet
- Protective Edging
- Up to 10 Hours of Battery Life
- Research
- Digital Literacy
- Projects/CBA
- Collaborative Projects



Student 2-in-1 Laptop Bundle

Education devices are now essential to classroom learning - empowering students to collaborate, explore, and achieve more every day. This **Student Device Bundle** provides everything they need to succeed, including a 2-in-1 Laptop with all the essential tools for a connected, digital learning experience.

What device is provided to the students ?

- It is a Asus 2-in-1 Laptop, created specifically for use in education
- The laptop is designed with students in mind and offers both laptop and tablet functionality, with a full keyboard, digital pen, and a responsive touchscreen
- It comes with 128GB of Storage, 8GB of RAM and a 12.2 Inch screen



Can we use a device we already have at home ?

- Unfortunately not. In order for the class to be able to view and interact with content in a consistent, inclusive and secure way, each student will be obliged to use the exact same device.

What services are included ?



- The device will be set up with the school's specified software and applications.
- Safety measures are added to prevent against dangerous or inappropriate software or apps in order to provide a safe and secure environment
- The Bundle includes an extended **5 Year Warranty & 5 Year Accidental Damage Cover**
- We also provide dedicated online, email and phone support for all parents and students

What are the costs and payment options ?

- The bundle cost is €721 (2-in-1 Laptop, Case, Warranty, Accidental Damage Cover & Support)
- You can pay for your child's Student Device Bundle either in full by credit/debit card, in installments with our interest-free Olive Payment Plan or through Humm Finance.

What are the next steps ?

- You will need to order your Student Bundle **before the 30th of May 2026**
- There is a step by step guide on the next page, showing you how to place your order
- The 2-in-1 laptop will then be delivered directly to your school for the start of the year

TURN ME
OVER!

If you have any questions or need support,

Please visit our website www.oliveforeducation.ie for FAQ's and our contact details



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School Roll: 65440T

 **School Store**
Olive



Our Lady's Secondary School, Templemore



1st year package 26/27

1st year group

For incoming 1st year students in September 2026.

[Order Package](#)



2nd Year Package 26/27

2nd Year

For incoming 2nd year students in September 2026.

[Order Package](#)



3rd Year Package 26/27

3rd Year

For incoming 3rd year students in September 2026.

[Order Package](#)



Transition Year (TY) Package 26/27

TY (Transition year)

For incoming Transition Year (TY) students in September 2026.

[Order Package](#)



5th Year Package 26/27

5th Year

For incoming 5th year students in September 2026.

[Order Package](#)



6th Year Package 26/27

6th Year

For incoming 6th year students in September 2026.

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Replacement Items 2026

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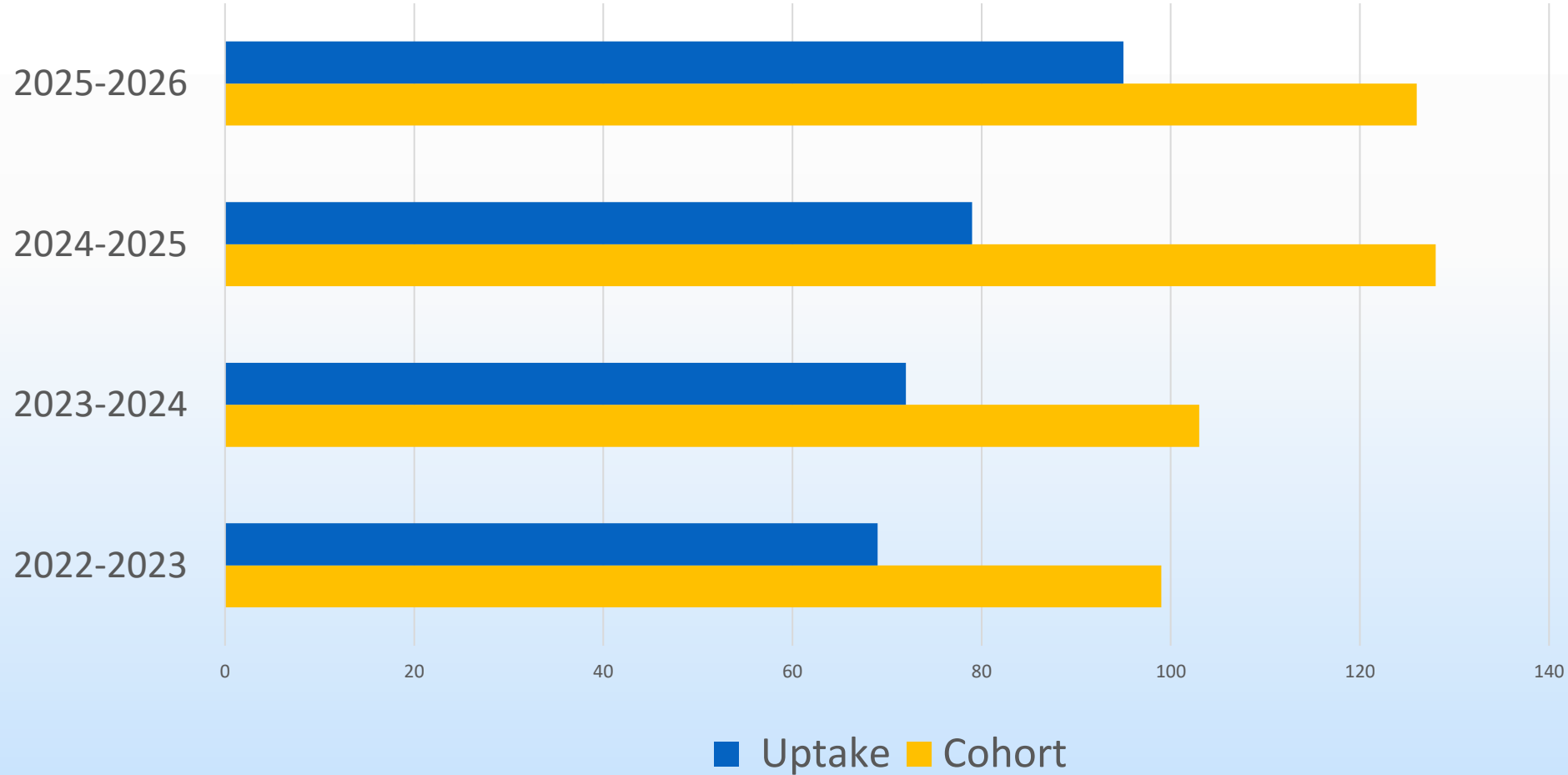
For any additional items you may need.

[Order Package](#)

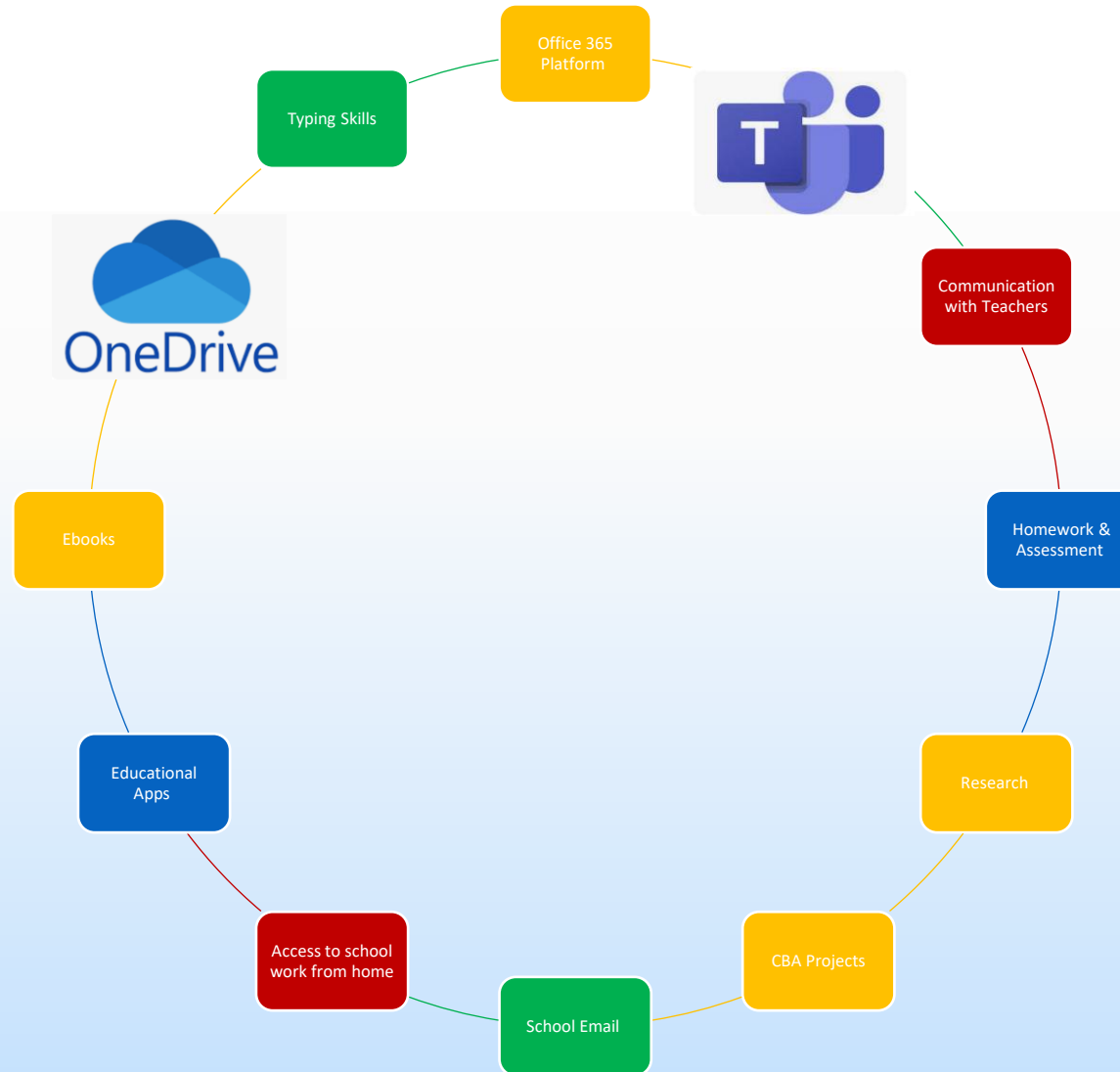
Trend in Devices



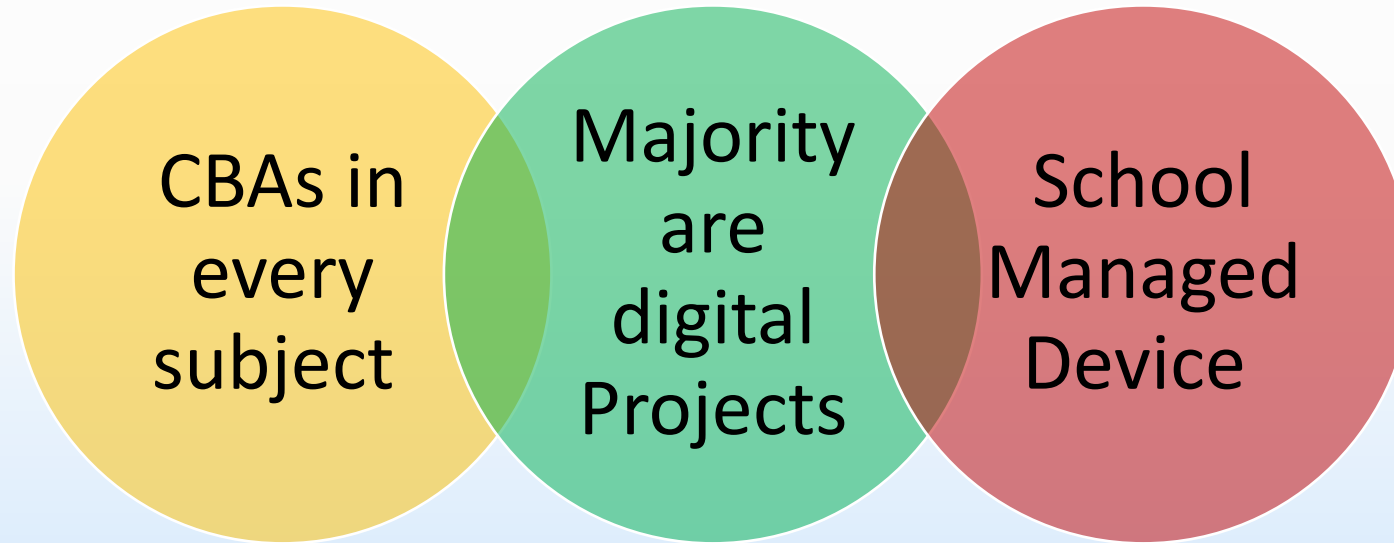
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What is the Device used for in class?



Classroom Based Assessments



CBAs in every subject

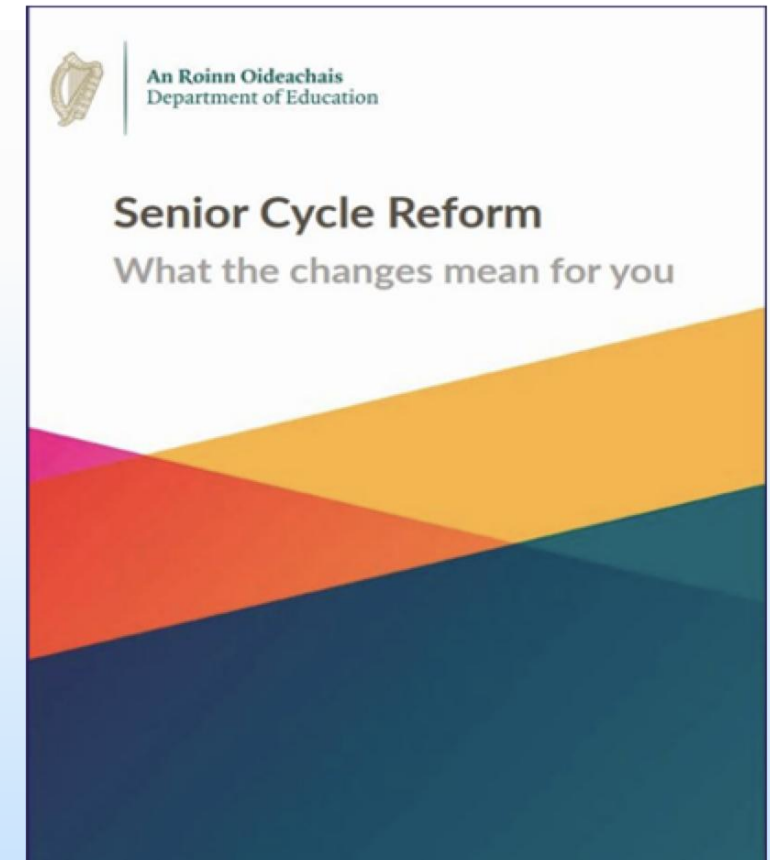
Majority are digital Projects

School Managed Device

Senior Cycle Reform



- Emphasis on project work and practical work in all subjects
- 60% based on written exams.
- 40% based on additional assessment components.
- Incoming students in 2026 will engage with a fully redeveloped Senior Cycle Programme



Olive Education



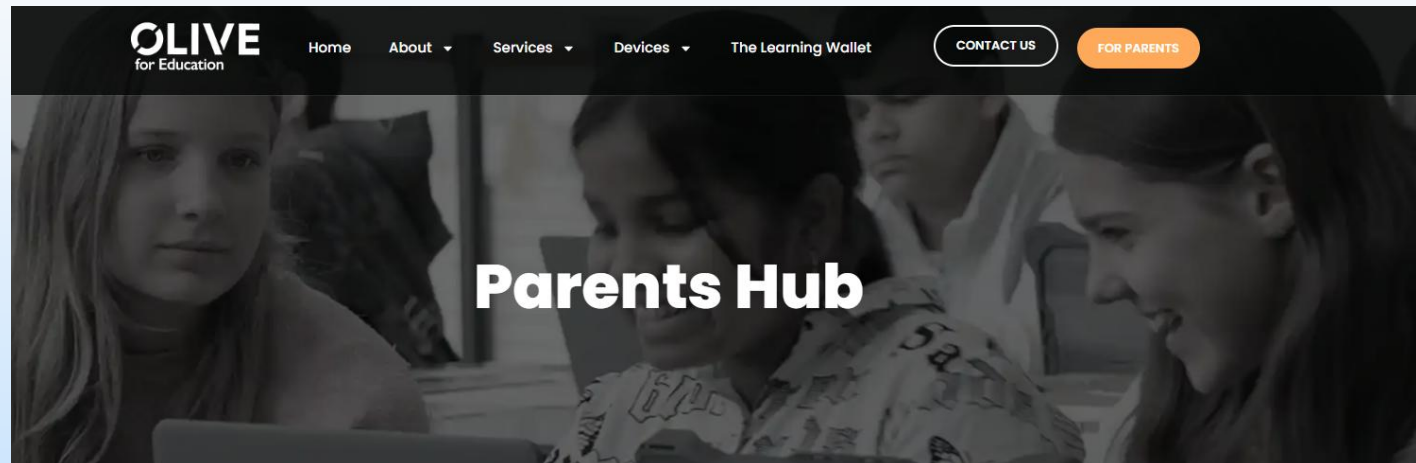
- School Managed device for 5 years
- Support for 5 years
- Warranty & Accidental Damage Cover
- Military Grade Device Cover
- Onsite set up – delivery to school

Olive Support



Online Support

[Parents Hub - Olive For Education](#)



Cost Breakdown



Description	Qty	Unit price	Amount
Support and Training	1	€120.00	€120.00
Delivery	1	€5.00	€5.00
ASUS HD Case	1	€37.00	€37.00
ASUS BR12	1	€564.00	€564.00
		Subtotal	€726.00
		Total	€726.00
		Amount due	€726.00

Payment Options



- Pay full amount
- Pay in Installments – 31st May Closing Date

Educational Investment



Device will be used over the next 5/6 years for your son/daughter's education

"Computers aren't just machines — they're powerful tools that will transform how students learn, think, and create. Giving a child access to technology today opens doors to the opportunities of tomorrow."

Steve Jobs



Year Head
Mr Gallagher

1ST YEAR TEAM



- Yearhead
- Mentor
- Tutors
- Cairdeas
 - TY Volunteers



Timetable



Monday to Thursday 8:50am - 3:45pm

Friday 8:50am - 1:25pm

Classes are 1 hour long

Teacher - based classrooms

Journal & Locker



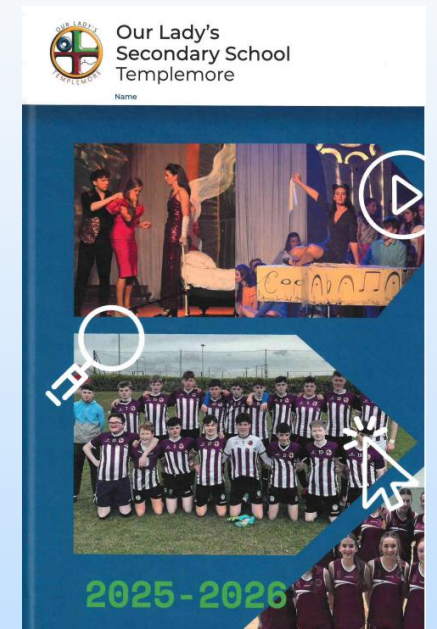
LOCKER

- Designated times
- Folders
- All books on the Device so bag is lighter and you always have your books with you. Can leave the physical books at home.



JOURNAL

- Communication link between parents & school
- Tracks homework
- Notes



VS Ware - APP



- Download App
- Text will issue with username (Monday 2nd)
- Create password with phone number

Vs Ware - APP



- All communication from School - VsMail
- Permission Slips
- Online payments
- Timetable
- View assessment results
- Monitor Behavior
- Attendance

Donald Adams

Pick an area to explore

- Attendance**
Monitor your child's attendance at a glance, view records from an entire year or specific lesson.
[Learn More](#)
- Assessment**
View your child's full academic record, track progress over time and download term reports.
[Learn More](#)
- Behaviour**
Keep track of your child's behaviour, monitor progress & teacher feedback.
[Learn More](#)
- Timetable**
View your child's timetable, see realtime data for which lesson they are in at any given time.
[Learn More](#)
- Personal Info**
Overview of your child's key info. Ensure that this is up to date.
[Learn More](#)
- Fees**
Overview of school fees for the year, pay directly via card online.
[Learn More](#)
- Student Options**
Submit next year's subject preferences directly to the school.
[Learn More](#)

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Welcome to the Parent Dashboard

On this page, you will find all information you will need as a parent of a child at Our Ladys Secondary School and also updates pertaining to your student's attendance, behaviour and reports.



Notifications

Nothing to report yet!

Notifications related to your students will

ADD

13:51



Notifications related to your students will appear here when ready.



Your students



Your contact details



13:51



Attendance



Assessment



Behaviour



Timetable



Personal info



Student Options



Permission



Canteen & Tuck Shop



- Small break - 15mins
- Lunch break - 40mins +
- Junior students are required to be on the school premises for the duration of the school day



Canteen & Tuck Shop



Canteen

- Online order & payment
 - Order online or in person
 - Soup and brown bread
 - Sandwiches
 - Pasta dish
 - Hot meal of the Day

Tuck Shop

- Fob to purchase drinks and confectionary



COMMUNICATE





Summary

COMMUNICATE



Cost – Summary



External

- Device €726*
- Uniform €250*
- Jacket €70 *

Cost – Summary



School Payment

- School Contribution €150/€100 *
- Cashless Fob €10
- Locker €15
- Practical Subject Fee €40
- Digital Media €20
- School Insurance €13

Can be taken at any time from now to August 2026

Summer 2026



- **SUMMER MAILING TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS**
 - Calendar for the school year 2026/2027
 - Use of medication form
 - GDPR Form
 - Pupil Insurance
 - Other relevant information
- **Registration Evening in August**
 - Payments
 - Books & Classroom Resources collection

Transport



Roscrea to Templemore

Noel Hayes (085) 7672440

Ryan's Bus service (087) 2120644

Bus Éireann

- online portal / April 2026 *



Transport



Applications for Bus Eireann School Bus Tickets 2026/27:

Applications for Bus Eireann School Transport Tickets for new pupils starting Primary or Post Primary school in Aug/Sept 2026 are due to open sometime in **February 2026**.

Only pupils starting school will need to apply.



The closing date for applications for new school bus tickets for the school year 2026/27 will be around 24th of April 2026.

Full payment will need to be made before 6th June 2026.

Tickets will be issued from July 2026 onwards.

Usually, late applications will be accepted, but will not be guaranteed a seat.

Calander 2026-2027



- Published by 25th of March
- Likely to be 27th / 28th of August
- Once students return, they are back

