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Dear Parent/ Guardian,

For the school year 2018/2019, Ballycanew NS will continue to offer the book rental scheme to parents. The main aim of this scheme is and always will be to reduce the cost of purchasing textbooks and workbooks for pupils and we are delighted to continue this scheme at the same fee of €75 for the coming school year.

While the fee remains at €75, through negotiations with our suppliers to obtain the best price possible, we are in a position to incorporate into the package some added savings for parents.

The book rental fee for 2018/2019 includes -

- rental of all textbooks (inclusive of suppliers discount)
- purchase of all workbooks (inclusive of suppliers discount)
- participation in our graded reading scheme (now beginning in junior infants from 2018/2019 school year) which provides a vast amount of reading material for each child throughout the year
- all arts and craft materials (no longer necessary to purchase sketch pads for your child)
- all photocopying of supplementary pupil material
- all numeracy resources (no longer necessary to purchase geometry sets in senior classes)
- homework journal (new for 2018/2019)

The closing date for the book rental scheme is **Friday, 18th of May**. Please ensure your application form along with the total fee (per child) is returned on or before this date to the school office. A receipt will be issued to you on receipt of this payment.

For Junior and Senior Infant pupils, it will remain compulsory for their parents to participate in the book rental scheme as all resources for our Aistear curriculum are provided by the school and cannot be bought separately. Aistear has proved hugely successful in its first year of implementation in our infant classrooms and we are delighted to continue it in our two junior rooms next year (information outlining our Aistear programme is available to view on our school website). Any parent with children in 1st – 6th class not wishing to avail of the book rental scheme booklists detailing all textbooks and workbooks will be available from the school office and on our school website during the month of June.

A FAQ document on how the book rental scheme operates in Ballycanew NS is available on the school website or please contact the school website with any queries you may have.

Yours sincerely,

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Principal,

