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# 'World Class learning experiences that empower our pupils to thrive and help others'

# A World Class Curriculum...... Core Curriculum

# Castle Park offers a broad, wellrounded core curriculum comprising Maths, English, Irish, Science, 'CP-SEAL' \* & Social, Environmental and

Physical Education.

\* CP-SEAL is our own Social &
Emotional Development Programme

# **Additional Subjects**

Our pupils also take modern languages (French, Spanish), ICT (including Coding, Robotics & 3D printing), and Music.

# **Specialist Teachers**

Unlike most schools in Ireland, our pupils benefit from specialist teachers for Music, French, Spanish, Science, Art and PE. We also have a dedicated Librarian. All materials used in specialist subjects are included in the tuition fees.

#### **Performing Arts**

All our pupils are exposed to the Performing Arts by highly qualified teachers, with each class performing concerts and informal plays during the year. Form V & VI take part in a full length musical production.

#### **Forest Science**

Our Kindergarten, Junior and Senior Infants, and Form I classes enjoy our Forest Science Programme, which they experience on the grounds of CP once per week, come rain, hail or shine! Pupils in other classes can choose to participate as part of our Hobbies programme.

#### **Class Sizes**

We believe children learn and grow optimally in classes up to 24 pupils.

# that goes beyond the expectations of a primary curriculum

#### **Nutrition**

We believe a healthy, well nourished body is essential for effective learning. Nutritionally balanced hot lunch and high fibre snacks are provided every day, designed and sourced locally by our Director of Catering.

# **Swimming Lessons**

Each week pupils (Junior Infants - Form VI) receive professional swimming instruction in our on-site 25-metre swimming pool.

## Sports \*

In addition to our timetabled Physical Education lessons, pupils can take part in after-school supervised sports which include soccer, tennis, basketball, table-tennis, swimming, softball, cricket, hockey, and tag rugby.

# **Hobbies** \*

After-school supervised hobbies include chess, book club, Spanish, sailing, drama, forest games/fun, farm club, art, Minecraft, yoga, construction, music, fabric fun, hip-hop dance and Irish dancing.

# **Trips & Excursions**

Each term our pupils benefit from (and love) excursions to nearby places of interest and learning.

## **On-Site School Farm**

Our on-site school farm gives pupils first hand knowledge of animals in a holistic and individualised environment. This greatly benefits the emotional and social wellbeing of each child.

\* Our Extra-curricular Programme is available for Forms I - VI, and runs from 3:30 to 4:30pm Monday to Thursday. Senior Infants partake in an activity once per week. Participation in this programme is encouraged but is not mandatory. Form I -VI can be dropped off from 8:00 am (Monday - Friday) and collected at 4:30 pm (Monday - Thursday) as part of our core offering.

Class	Tuition Fees	Everything Else *	Total	
Kindergarten 1 & 2	€5,768	€1,778	€7,546	
Junior & Senior Infants	€5,006	€4,580	€9,586	The total fees are inclusive of
Forms I to VI	€6,759	€4,619	€11,378	All text books, workbook

Hidden Extras				
There are none				
The total fees are inclusive of everything, (excluding the optional extras below).				
All text books, workbooks and stationery are provided for each child.				

- \* The school's policy is that 'everything else' is an essential part of how we deliver a world-class educational experience. Our total fees are inclusive of these elements, and they are not optional.
- \*\* All extra-curricular activities provided by our staff are included in the advertised fees. There are a small number of chargeable activities lead by external specialist providers. Fees for these activities are kept to a minimum, i.e. what is charged to the School.

Discounts (per annum)	Forms I to VI	Early Years
First Sibling Attending	€550	€285
Second and Subsequent Siblings Attending	€630	€315

# Day Care & Optional Extras

#### **Day Care**

Day care is available up to 6:30pm, Monday to Friday.

Please enquire at the office for further information on availability and costs.

#### **Individual Music Lessons**

One-to-one private music lessons taught by experienced music teachers along with instrument hire, and music exams are available by enquiring through the office.

# Residential Trips

The School subsidises the cost of residential trips and keeps the cost to parents at an absolute minimum.

#### **ECCE**

The Early Childhood Care and Education Scheme (ECCE) is a universal two-year pre-school programme available to all children within the eligible age range.

The State pays Castle Park a set amount per child to offer the ECCE Scheme. The programme is provided for three hours per day, five days per week, over 38 weeks per year. The programme year runs from September to June. For eligible children the set amount will be deducted from tuition fees due.

There is one point of entry at the beginning of the programme year. The Scheme Is available to all children who have turned 2 years and 8 months of age by August 31st as long as they don't turn 5 years and 6 months of age on or before June 30th of the programme year.

#### **Payments**

Parents are billed for the full year in August and can choose to pay as follows:

- Full year in advance Payable by 15th September 2023.
- Termly Paid on or before the first day of each School Term. Fees are spread across the three terms with the same amount charged for each term. Termly fees are therefore not a reflection of the precise number of tuition days per term, as these will vary from term to term.
- Direct debit Processed on the 2nd of each month starting in October 2023

Parents should be advised that if payment is not received when due, an administration charge of €100 per month may be charged. The School reserves the right to exclude a pupil whose fees have not been paid.

#### **Methods of Payment**

Cheque

The child's name should be written on the back of the cheque.

· Credit or Debit Card

Credit or Debit Card payments can be made via phone call to the Accounts Office. We accept Irish debit/credit cards only. There is an additional 3% charge for credit card payments.

· Direct Debit

For parents who opt to pay by direct debit a monthly payment will be averaged over 9 months and processed on the 2nd of each month commencing in October 2023. A schedule of the dates and amount of each direct debit will be issued to parents before the first direct debit is processed. A final balancing direct debit will be processed in July 2024 which will be used to pay any extras that were not included at the start for the school year. The date and amount of the final direct debit will be advised to parents in advance of processing.

An administration fee of €30 will be charged in response of each unpaid direct debit. After 3 unpaid direct debits the direct debit payment option will be withdrawn.

Bank Transfer

It is important to ensure that parents include the family surname and/or account number when paying by bank transfer so that the payment can be allocated accurately.

#### **Term in Lieu Policy**

To ensure a smooth transition and effective planning, it is necessary for us to receive a written notice of one full term in advance for the removal of a pupil. This allows us to adequately accommodate changes in our educational resources and make the necessary arrangements for the departing pupil. In the event that we do not receive the required notice, our terms and conditions state that the corresponding term fees will still be required. This policy ensures fairness to all parties involved and helps us maintain the high quality of education and services we provide.