



All of our staff are aware of the effects of poverty and how it relates to the context of our school, community and learners.

REDUCING THE COST OF THE SCHOOL DAY 2024-25

GETTING READY FOR SCHOOL

- Our school uniform is a white polo shirt or shirt and tie, with a dark sweatshirt. These can have school logos or be plain, unembroidered items that are available for purchase in local retailers.
- Free uniform starter packs are gifted to all new students.
- Nearly new uniforms, clothing, shoes and sanitary products are available for parents/carers to help themselves to in our Community Cocoon.
- Staff are available to support with applications for Clothing Grants. Supports for parents are signposted in our weekly Sways.



TRAVELLING TO SCHOOL

- Almost all pupils live within walking distance to the school.
- The majority of After School Clubs are run on the premises and staff are available to walk pupils to the venue if needed.
- Staff are available to support families with transport applications for free bus passes.
- Excursions and trips are carefully planned to ensure transport costs are kept to a minimum, and subsidised when necessary to ensure it is accessible for all.



LEARNING AT SCHOOL

- Stationery and all other items essential for learning are provided free of charge and are accessible for all learners at all times.
- All pupils have access to digital technology to support learning.
- Equity and Equality are discussed with learners as we seek to work with our community to develop their awareness of the differences.
- Bespoke supports and interventions are planned for targeted pupils to meet their individual learning needs.



EATING AT SCHOOL

- Breakfast Club is available and free to all learners from 8:15 am. Breakfast is also available for those who require it outside of these hours.
- We promote free school meals and a cashless catering system to reduce any stigma, through the use of iPayimpact.
- Free fruit is offered to all students as a healthy snack choice
- Snacks for any specific, special events are funded and provided by the school.
- The Community Cocoon has a large range of food and pantry products available for parents/carers to help themselves to as needed.



CLUBS, TRIPS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

- All our After School clubs are run free of charge, with travel costs funded for transport to any events and competitions associated with them.
- Participatory Budgeting is allocated to classes to plan and subsidise trips and experiences linked to our Craigshill Passport of Experiences.
- A limited number of special events will ask families to consider bringing a food donation to our Community Cocoon food bank, rather than money.
- Costumes and dress up items are available for use during special events.
- All pupils are provided with tokens to allow them to take part in School Fayres and special events, without any cost
- Holiday Club events, trips and experiences are run by school staff free of charge, for targeted learners and their families.
- Community partners work alongside us, providing generous support and donations for the Cocoon, school events and to support the community.

