

Mercy Secondary School Kilbeggan

School Costs 2023-2024



The annual school costs at MSSK for families are made up of a number of different elements –

- 1. Book Rental** - the school continues to offer a Book Rental Scheme to all students in the school. Please note that second level schools, unlike primary schools, are not part of a free book scheme. Textbooks will be distributed during the first week of term. The cost of additional books, if required in 6th Year, will be met by individual students. Students are responsible for the purchase of their own copies, workbooks, pens/pencils, ingredients etc. All books must be covered and maintained by the students to ensure the continuance of the Book Rental Scheme. They must also be clearly marked with the students name and class. **It is important to note that the text books, although in the students' possession, remain the property of the school.** The cost for the Book Rental Scheme varies for each year group.
 - 2. Administration** – this cost covers the daily cost of operating the school's VSWare administration system. This cost is €40 per student but limited to a maximum of €50 per family.
 - 3. Student Insurance** – this is Personal Accident Insurance cover provided by Allianz. The 24-hour cover costs €10 which is included in each student's school costs.
 - 4. Lockers** – all students will have their own individual locker in the New School. These will be twice the size of the previous lockers at the Old School with a coat hook fixed inside. **There will be no need for students to buy their own individual padlock.** The school will be supplying new high spec secure locks through a company called Locker Fix at a cost of €10 per lock. We will supply the locks and train the students how to use these locks on return to school. All student belongings will be fully secured and safe when these locks are used properly.
 - 5. TY Costs** – The total TY Costs for 2023/2024 are €500. **This does not include the foreign trip which is separate and completely optional for each family.** The TY Costs are broken down into two payments –
 - Student Insurance €10, Lockers €10 & Administration €40 which must be paid before **27th October 2023**
 - TY Deposit of €240 which must be paid before **27th October 2023**
 - TY Balance of €200 which must be paid before **9th February 2024**
- Families are asked to pay their school costs by **27th October 2023**
 - Please make all payments online using your family VSWare Account or by sending in cash/cheques to the school. All cheques should be made payable to Mercy Secondary School. All school costs will be clearly presented on your VSWare Account.

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- During the past school year, a number of families paid for students to travel on foreign trips organised by the school but they did not pay their annual school costs. This will not be permitted in 2023/2024. **Students will not be allowed to participate in foreign trips organised by the school if their families are not up to date paying their school costs.**
- It is vital for the continuation of the Book Rental Scheme and the proper financial management of the school that all families pay these costs equally.
- **If there is any issue with the payment of these costs, please contact the school directly in this regard at principal@mercykilbeggan.ie**

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	1 st Year	2 nd Year	3 rd Year	TY	5 th Year	6 th Year
TY DEPOSIT	—	—	—	€ 240	—	—
TY BALANCE	—	—	—	€ 200	—	—
BOOK RENTAL	€ 120	€ 80	€ 60	—	€ 200	—
ADMINISTRATION (€50/FAMILY)	€ 40	€ 40	€ 40	€ 40	€ 40	€ 40
LOCKERS	€ 10	€ 10	€ 10	€ 10	€ 10	€ 10
INSURANCE	<u>€ 10</u>	<u>€ 10</u>	<u>€ 10</u>	<u>€ 10</u>	<u>€ 10</u>	<u>€ 10</u>
TOTAL	€ 180	€ 140	€ 120	€ 500	€ 260	€ 60