

FAQs for First Year Parents

How do I order the iPad?

From **28th April to 3rd June** please visit www.wriggle.ie and select "Order Online"

When requested, please input the store login code specific to Naas CC. The code is:
90893959

Select the requirements for your child's Wriggle Bundle.

Select your Payment Method (Debit/Credit Card or Credit Union Cheque)

Once your order is complete you will receive an order number for your records.

The iPad will be delivered directly to your home.

Can I buy my own iPad?

We request that you buy the iPad from Wriggle. This means that all students are using a controlled device during school time and for study purposes. This allows the school to control what is on a student's device and ensure that students do not have access to social media, games or inappropriate internet content.

Wriggle will set iPads up with: Apple School Manager, managed Apple ID & password, passcode, configuration profile(s) and settings, mobile device management system(s), security measures and apps.

This ensures that students experience all the benefits of using technology in the classroom without any of the obvious pitfalls.

When iPads are bought independently, it is very difficult to set them up in the same way, so they cannot be monitored effectively. In our experience, this can cause a lot of issues for students and parents and therefore, we do not recommend that you bring your own iPad.

How much does the iPad cost?

All device specifications & prices correct as of January 2020. Subject to change

OPTION 1: iPad Air 2 **32GB** €379

OPTION 2: iPad air 2 **128GB** €475

ADDITIONAL COSTS:

Heavy Duty Case for iPad €45

Wriggle Services and Support €120

eBooks for Maths only €20

€10 charge per subject / short course for teacher generated content

Which option is better?

Option 2 is better as it provides more storage. This is particularly useful for students who take a lot of photos or videos.

However, option 1 is more than sufficient for any student's needs.

When will students get their iPad?

iPads are due to be delivered directly by Wriggle to your home in July. Wriggle can provide more information on this.

Can I get insurance for the iPad?

Insurance option is available at the time of purchase on www.wriggle.ie/insurance. Alternatively, parents can organise their own insurance.

How will I put the eBook for Maths on the iPad?

The iPad will come fully loaded with the students books.

Do students need to have school books?

No.

The school does not recommend parents buying school books. They are not required for classes. Teachers have created resources which are available to students on schoology. These resources provide all the content necessary to follow the Junior Cycle curriculum.

Why are there only one book on the iPad?

The other subjects do not use books, instead teacher generated content is uploaded on schoology.

Where do I get the school uniform?

The school uniform is available from Richie Whelan's Menswear, 12 North Main St., Naas.

The uniform consists of:

- White shirt/blouse (can be bought in any shop)
- Boys / Girls grey school trousers (can be bought in any shop)
- Skirt (can only be bought in Richie Whelan's)
- School jumper (can only be bought in Richie Whelan's)
- No tie

The PE uniform consists of:

- Navy tracksuit bottoms (can bought in any shop. MUST be fully navy or Navy with a white stripe). Leggings are not permitted.
- Navy school PE t-shirt (can only be bought in Richie Whelan's)
- School PE top (can only be bought in Richie Whelan's)

Can girls wear trousers?

Yes. Girls can wear grey school slacks if they wish.

What shoes are acceptable?

- Student must wear shoes which are **fully black**.
- Runners are acceptable but they must be completely black, this includes soles and laces.
- Runners which are non-slip and fully support the student's ankle and foot must be worn for PE.
- Flat sole shoes and casual trainers are not acceptable for PE.

Can students wear make-up to school?

- Make-up must be natural and discreet. If this is not the case, students will be asked to remove it.

What stationary do students need?

Please see separate equipment list.

When does school start?

The first day of school for incoming first years will be a full school day. The exact date will be communicated to you by Easter 2020.

What time should students be there on the first day?

The day will start at 8.50 am but we recommend students arriving around 8.30 am so that they can mingle and chat.

Can I come with my child on the first day?

Many parents choose to drop their son / daughter to the school on the first day. The principal and deputy principal will be there to greet everyone!

What time does school start and finish?

The school day starts at 8.50 am and finishes at 4pm. On Fridays school finishes at 1.20pm. Students should arrive to school by 8.40 am.

What time does the school building open?

The school building opens at 8am. It is not possible to drop your son / daughter before this.

What time does school finish on the first day?

School will finish at 4 pm as normal.

Are students allowed to leave school during lunch?

Students are not allowed to leave school during the day.

If a student lives close to school and wishes to go home from lunch, parents / guardians must make a request to the school in writing.

Are there canteen facilities in the school?

There are no canteen facilities in school.

Students should bring a packed lunch each day.

The school operates a healthy eating policy and discourages students from bringing unhealthy food, sweets etc. to school. Fizzy drinks are banned and will be confiscated.

What time is lunch?

Small break	11.00-11.20 am
Lunch	1.20-2.00 pm

Can a student change subject options now or during the first couple of weeks?

The options classes have been organised now and many classes are full. It may not be possible therefore to change classes. However, if you have any issues with options, please email options@naascc.ie

Is there a bus to school?

The school does not deal with any queries about school transport.

Any queries should be made directly to the Bus Éireann School Transport Office on 01 8302222

Will students get a locker?

Yes. Students will be provided with their own locker.

Students should bring a padlock with two keys to school.

The school will keep one key in the event a student loses their key.

When will students get their timetable?

Students will be given their timetable on the first day of school.

Will students get a journal?

Yes. Students will be given a journal on the first day.

What class will my child be in?

There are 5 first year classes: Ash1, Birch1, Oak1, Yew1 and Elm1

Students will be assigned classes on the first day.

Will my child be in the same class as their friend / other students from their primary school?

Students are randomly assigned class groups.

If you have any specific requests, you should contact the school. We cannot guarantee that we can accommodate all requests but we will do our best.