

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2019/2020

Please Note Change of Name: 5th Year = Leaving Cert Year 1/6th Year = Leaving Cert Year 2

FIRST TERM

Monday 26th August 2019	Staff Day
Tuesday 27th August 2019	8.57am - 4.00pm – First Year Students
Wednesday 28th August 2019	First, Third and Sixth Year Students
Thursday 29th August 2019	First, Second, Third and Sixth Year Students
Friday 30th August 2019	First, Second, Third, LCA1, Fifth & Sixth Year Students
Monday 2nd September 2019	Transition Year Students return
Friday 6th September 2019	Rest Day for First Year Students only
Thursday 24th October 2019	4.15pm - 6.45pm Parent Teacher Meeting for Sixth Year Students
Friday 25th October 2019	School Closes for Mid-Term Break

Mid-Term Break - Monday 28th October 2019 to Friday 1st Nov 2019

Monday 4th November 2019	School Re-opens for Students
Wednesday 6th November 2019	4.15pm - 6.45pm Parent Teacher Meeting for Third Year Students
Tuesday 3rd December 2019	4.15pm – 6.45pm Parent Teacher Meeting for Second Year Students
Friday 20th December 2019	School Closes for Christmas – 12 noon

Christmas Holidays – Friday 23rd December 2019 to Friday 3rd January 2020

SECOND TERM

Monday 6th January 2020	School Re-opens
Thursday 23rd January 2020	4.15pm – 6.45pm Parent Teacher Meeting for Fifth Year Students
Friday 14th February 2020	Mock Exams Finish/School closes for Mid Term Break

Mid-Term Break - Monday 17th February 2020 to Friday 21st February 2020

Monday 24th February 2020	School Re-opens
Wednesday 26th February 2020	4.15pm – 6.45pm Parent Teacher Meeting for First Year Students
Tuesday 17th March 2020	St Patrick's Day
Thursday 19th March 2020	4.15pm – 6.45pm Parent Teacher Meeting for Transition Year Students
Friday 3rd April 2020	School Closes for Easter

Easter Holidays – Monday 6th April 2020 to Friday 17th April 2019

THIRD TERM

Monday 20th April 2020	School Re-opens
Monday 4th May 2020	May Day Bank Holiday
Friday 29th May 2020	Summer Holidays

* We have been informed by JCT that our whole Staff training this year will be on Wednesday 13th November 2019 and Thursday 16th January 2020. Therefore, there will be no school for students on these days.

OTHER INFORMATION

FEES

The following fees will be payable online during July and August 2019 (instructions to follow) or by cash at the main office during the week beginning Monday 22nd August 2019. All fees **MUST** be paid before the first day of school.

BOOK RENTAL

First Year	€100
Second Year	€80
Third Year	€60
Transition Year	N/A
LCA	N/A
Fifth Year	N/A
Sixth Year	N/A

ADMINISTRATION FEE

First Year	€50
Second Year	€50
Third Year	€50
Transition Year	€50
LCA	€50
Fifth Year	€50
Sixth Year	€50

Please note:

Due to the wide range of subjects offered at Leaving Certificate level, it is not possible to offer a Book Rental Scheme to Leaving Certificate students. Booklists for Fifth and Sixth Year students are available on our website or from the school office on request.

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SCHOOL DAY

8.57am-4.00pm	Monday-Thursday
8.57am-1.20pm	Friday

E MAIL SYSTEM

We intend to continue to use e-mail as a means of communication between home and school. Please ensure that we have a valid e-mail address.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

The official supplier for our school uniform is **County Seat, Lower Main Street, Letterkenny** and all uniform items should be purchased there.

PLEASE NOTE - School Coats are now available from Brian McCormick Sports, Main Street, Letterkenny. They can be no longer purchased in the school. Plain black shoes or runners ONLY may be worn. These shoes must be completely black.

MOBILE PHONES

Technological changes have resulted in the positive use of mobile phones as an educational tool in school. Mobile phones are only permitted in class with the express permission and specific instruction of the teacher. Unauthorized or irresponsible use will result in the device being confiscated. It must be given to the teacher on request and will be left in the school office for collection by the student's parent/guardian at a time convenient to school management, at least **one week** after the date of confiscation.

Mobile phones are permitted where school tours/extra curricular activities extend beyond normal school hours. Where a student brings a mobile phone to school for this reason, it must be left in the student's locker until he/she is leaving the school. In **case of emergencies**, students will be given access to a phone in the school and parents may contact their son/daughter by phoning the school office.

Ear Phones/Ear Pods

Ear phones and ear pods are **NOT** permitted in school. They must be given to the teacher on request and will be left in the school office for collection by the student's parent/guardian at a time convenient to school management, at least **one week** after the date of confiscation. They may be permitted on school tours or extra curricular activities but must be stored in the student's locker until he/she is leaving school.



DIARIES

As part of our ongoing school improvement plan, we are aiming to make the school diary more effective as a means of communication, record keeping and personal progress. We ask you to regularly check your child's diary to encourage reflective conversations about your child's progress. We request that you sign the diary weekly and draw your attention to the notes section at the back of the diary where specific positive and negative notes are located.

LOCKERS

All First Year students will be supplied with a new locking mechanism for their locker. All other students must have a 38mm padlock to put on their locker on the first day of school. Lockers will not be provided to those who do not supply a lock.

CALCULATOR

We would like to advise you that the mathematical calculator recommended by our Maths Department for all students in Loreto Community School is the '**Casio Scientific FX83 GT Plus**'. This calculator can be obtained from all good school supplies shops in the local area. This calculator is suitable for use throughout your son/daughter's mathematical studies at Loreto Community School to Leaving Certificate level.

FULL DETAILS OF ALL STUDENT INFORMATION FOR THE UPCOMING ACADEMIC YEAR IS AVAILABLE FROM OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE: www.loretomilford.com or our Facebook page.

VOLUNTEERS

We are seeking volunteers to accompany teachers and students on away matches and school trips. If you are interested, please email margaret.oconnor@loretomilford.net for more details.