

Primary Schoolbooks Scheme 2024/25

Free schoolbooks for all pupils in primary and special schools Information for parents/guardians

In 2023, the Government introduced a new free schoolbooks scheme for all pupils in primary and special schools. Under this scheme all schoolbooks, workbooks and copybooks will continue to be provided for free by schools to every pupil in recognised primary schools, including special schools in September 2024.

There is no charge to parents/guardians for this, as schools receive funding from Government to cover these costs. Revised guidance has issued to schools on the scheme and is available at www.gov.ie/schoolbookschemes.

- Schoolbooks will be provided free to every pupil on loan at the start of the school year. Workbooks and copybooks will also be provided free by the school.

- The schoolbooks must be returned at the end of the school year, or if the child leaves the school.

- It is important that schoolbooks are kept in good condition so they can be reused. Please help make sure your children keep the schoolbooks safe and in good condition so that they can be used again by another child.

In Budget 2024 the Government provided over €47 million to eliminate the cost of schoolbooks, workbooks and copybooks for children attending recognised primary schools and special schools.

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