Rannán na Scoileanna – Airgeadas An Roinn Oideachais agus Scileanna Cor na Madadh Baile Átha Luain Co. na hIarmhí



Schools Division - Financial Department of Education and Skills Cornamaddy Athlone Co. Westmeath

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To: The Management Authorities of Recognised Primary Schools.

Allocation to schools for books

The Minister for Education and Skills wishes to advise the Management Authorities of primary schools of the arrangements regarding the payment of funding to be allocated to schools to provide assistance for books.

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The per capita funding to be provided is as follows Rate per capita *

€11 (€21 DEIS Schools)

Additional per capita funding to schools that were operating Book Rental/Loan Schemes prior to 2014

Allocation of funding in 2015 €7 (€8 DEIS Schools)
Allocation of funding in 2016 €11 (€12 DEIS Schools)

Please note that the additional funding provided under this scheme will issue separately from the annual book grant and must be used exclusively for the purposes of funding a textbook loan/rental scheme.

The Department encourages school management authorities to embrace a more cost-conscious and value for money approach when deciding the textbooks for use in their schools. Guidelines for Developing Textbook Rental Schemes in Schools are available on the Departments website http://www.education.ie/en/Schools-Colleges/Information/Textbook-Rental-Schemes-in-Schools/

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^{*} a minimum grant is paid to small primary schools based on an enrolment of 60 pupils