St. Mary's NS Cobh School Book Rental Scheme Policy

St. Mary's operates a voluntary Book Rental Scheme in accordance with guidelines issued by the Department of Education and Skills.

School book rental schemes can make a very significant difference to the cost of providing textbooks for pupils by removing the need for parents/guardians to purchase new or secondhand textbooks. In addition to the cost savings for parents/guardians, a school book rental scheme ensures that all pupils will have their books, and the same edition of each book, at the beginning of the school year.

Aim

That all pupils are facilitated to have text books at minimum expense to their parents/guardians.

Booklists will be issued to parents/guardians in the normal way.

An Annual Rental Charge of €20.00 will apply. (The amount to be paid will be reviewed regularly.) This payment will secure the rental of relevant textbooks listed in the booklist as and when required throughout the school year.

Purchase of workbooks, disposable materials and stationery will be outside the scope of the scheme and will remain the responsibility of parents/guardians.

To qualify for admission to the scheme, the rental charge must be paid on or before the last school day in June.

Each pupil/parents/guardian will be required to sign a receipt for the books supplied, which will be retained by the school.

Books supplied under the scheme will remain the property of the school and may be subject to inspection at any time by a member of the teaching staff.

Membership of the scheme is at the discretion of the Board of Management and the School Principal. Any pupil found to be abusing, defacing or disposing of rented books will be dismissed from the scheme and will be required to supply their own textbooks for the remainder of their time in the school.

Books supplied under the scheme may be new or second-hand, at the discretion of the Principal and the Board of Management.

Ratified by Board of Management	
	Date :
John Fitzpatrick, Chairperson	Date