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**To: The Management Authorities of Recognised National Schools**

### **RESTORATION OF BOOK GRANTS**

The Renewed Programme for Government provided for an allocation of extra funding to allow schools to provide assistance for books.

The Minister for Education and Skills wishes to advise the Management Authorities of national schools of the arrangements regarding the payment of funding to be allocated to schools in respect of the restoration of funding for books.

The policy of the Department of Education and Skills is to streamline the payment of grants, in order to ease the administrative burden on schools and on the Department itself. The eventual goal is to make all payments through the capitation system. It is planned, therefore, to incorporate the funding to schools for books into capitation payments with effect from January 2011. For the 2010 year, payment will be made separately.

This Department expects to make the payment in June 2010. The additional per capita funding to be provided is:

Allocation to DEIS schools for books	€1
Allocation to non-DEIS schools for books	€1

The Department of Education and Skills will be urging schools to put in place book rental schemes, as these are the most effective means of lowering costs for all parents.

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