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School Community Newsletter

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School Closure

Following last Friday's announcement from An Taoiseach, all schools are to remain closed until September.

Message to Families

We have a short video message on Twitter should you wish to watch it with your children. You can view find us on Twitter (@Parteen_School) or go to the bottom right hand corner of www.parteenschool.ie. As per the last newsletter, we wish to remind 6th Class that we look forward to having them all back for the Graduation Ceremony and having their official goodbye. Likewise, we look forward to hosting Communion and Confirmation and we await Diocesan Guidance on this.

Hand Sanitisers

As per the last newsletter, we purchased hand sanitisers in order to be ready for reopening. Following publication of that Newsletter, Niamh Cooney got in contact with us and through Limerick Blow Moulding, we were able to get a very large quantity of hand sanitisers at wholesale prices. Sincere thanks to Niamh and Limerick Blow Moulding.

Reports

School reports will be completed as normal and they will be posted to you. The school book lists, calendar and teacher allocation for next year will all be published on www.parteenschool.ie before the end of the school year.

Induction Meeting

We can't host our induction meeting for parents of next year's junior infants at the moment. In June we will contact all families who have children starting in September and will ensure everything they need to know is clearly communicated to them.

Emails

You can now communicate with class teachers directly regarding support and advice on learning at home. Here are their contact details:

mrhickey@parteenschool.ie
msmcnamara@parteenschool.ie
msmcmullin@parteenschool.ie
msbarry@parteenschool.ie
mrcollins@parteenschool.ie
msgallagher@parteenschool.ie
mscollins@parteenschool.ie
msneville@parteenschool.ie
mssheahan@parteenschool.ie
msneedham@parteenschool.ie
mscoughlan@parteenschool.ie
msokeeffe@parteenschool.ie
msquinn@parteenschool.ie
msneylon@parteenschool.ie

We know older children may have their own email accounts but only parents/ guardians should email teachers.

Learning Activities

Thank you to all teachers for the learning activities for the next two weeks. They have all been published in the Newsletter Section of www.parteenschool.ie. We remind you all that all activities are optional. Please continue to check our Twitter which has loads of fun activities on it.

Support Teaching

If your child is working with any of our support teachers, please email them for specific activities. They will be able to adapt the work given by the class teacher if required.

mscarey@parteenschool.ie
msmeskell@parteenschool.ie
msquilty@parteenschool.ie
msguckian@parteenschool.ie
msparkinson@parteenschool.ie

msorourke@parteenschool.ie

msodonovan@parteenschool.ie

Collection of Items

Families may wish to collect items left in school. We can't access the school until May 18th and the guidance at the moment is that it will be just for teachers to get access to their own books, resources etc. We will study clarifications that will issue from the Department of Education and when we can allow access for collection of items left in school we will arrange it. Social distancing will be with us for a long time so when we do arrange this it will have to be carefully managed. We will issue guidance at a later date.

Internet Safety and Wellbeing

Please see the following websites:

<https://www.webwise.ie/parents/covid19-online-safety-advice-for-parents/>

<https://www.education.ie/covid19/wellbeing/>

Jobs at Home

We have published an interesting list of jobs children could complete at home, depending on their age. It is from an American website so you will note some different language used. You may find it useful! <https://parteenschool.ie/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Jobs-at-Home-for-Children.pdf>

Kind regards,

Ger and Mairéad