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School Community Newsletter

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Scaraments and Graduation

Confirmation will take place on Saturday, August 29th at 10.15am for Ms. McNamara's Class and 11.45am for Mr. Hickey's Class. It will be a scaled back ceremony.

Graduation will take place separately on school grounds at 11.15am for Ms. McNamara's Class and 12.45pm for Mr. Hickey's Class.

Communion will take place on Saturday, September 5th at 10.15am for Ms. Sheahan's Class and 11.45am for Ms. Neylon's Class. It will be a scaled back ceremony.

We are alerting you now so you can make family arrangements. If the current restrictions 2m restriction is still in place, each child would be able to have two adults with them in the church. We will monitor Government and Diocesan Instructions and update you if these numbers can increase. When we know more, we will let you know.

Home Based July Provision.

Please note the categories published for those eligible for July Provision. Here is who is eligible:

- 1.Pupils with a diagnosis of Autism
- 2.Pupils with severe and profound learning difficulties
- 3.Any child in a special school or a special class in a primary school
- 4.Children transitioning into a special class from early years settings to ...primary school
- 5.Pupils in primary school mainstream classes who present with the following disabilities:

Children with Down syndrome • Children who are Deaf or most severe hard of hearing • Children who are blind or have a most severe visual impairment • Children who have a moderate general learning disability • Children with severe emotional behavioural difficulties. More Information is outlined here:

<https://www.education.ie/en/Parents/Services/summerprovision/summer-provision-2020-guide-for-parents.pdf>

Please drop the forms into the school office as soon as possible and we will sign them. Please email parteenoffice@gmail.com to check when the school office is open. Catherine will then let us know and we will sign them. If you need help finding a tutor, please email parteenprincipal@gmail.com.

School Reopening

We published the guidance we received from the Department of Education via text last week. We are working through this guidance. However, the guidance wasn't very specific and we have been told we are to get clearer guidelines. We will update you as we go along. 30 wall based sanitisers are being installed. They will be put in each classroom, outside support rooms, offices etc.

Junior Infants

The Induction Meeting via Zoom will take place on Monday, June 22nd at 10am. Ms. Parkinson will run the meeting and will email you the link this week. It will last 40 minutes. Following this, Ms. Meskell and Ms. Ryan are recording a video to introduce themselves to the children and to bring them on a virtual tour of their classroom, school corridor, yard etc. On Monday, August 31st, we will take Junior Infants in on their own between 9 and 10.30am. There will be no other children present. This is to allow space to make the day a special day and allow you all to get photos etc. We will communicate with parents of Junior Infants via a separate newsletter about the details.

Reports

Report will be posted on Friday. Please be aware that the vast majority of children are 'Managing Comfortably' and this is the starting point for every teacher. Only when a teacher has evidence to the contrary is a different 'mark' given. Teachers go to great effort in compiling all information to give you a full picture so please take on board any advice given as it is well thought out. Please remember that the greatest gift anyone can have is a happy, healthy child and that a school report should be taken in context.

Book Lists

These will be published on the Newsletter Page by the end of next week. You will receive a text to notify you.

Kind regards,

Ger and Mairéad