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11th September, 2023.

Dear Parents,

<u>Welcome Back</u> We would like to welcome everyone back after the Summer Holidays. A very special welcome to all our new students especially our 14 new Junior Infants. It's great to see our new students settling in so well. From today, the Junior Infants had their first full day from 9.30 a.m. to 2.10 p.m. We wish all our students a happy and fulfilling education in our school.

We welcome Ms. Jane Melvin who is working as Special Education Teacher in our school alongside Ms. Martin, Ms. Anna Corcoran who is our 3rd class teacher, Ms. Leona Fallon who is working as EAL teacher with our Ukrainian students and Ms. Mandy Cassidy who is working part time as an SNA in our school alongside Pauline Dwyer and Joan Tiernan.

<u>Gardening</u> Lazlo from Knockvicar Organic Centre will be coming to our school every second Tuesday from 12th September, 2023.

<u>Soccer</u> Soccer training continues on Wednesdays weather permitting for 3rd to 6th Class.

<u>**G.A.A. Training</u>** Stephen Bohan continues G.A.A. training with Junior Infants to 6th Class students on Friday mornings for seven weeks, weather permitting.</u>

P.E. for each class will be on the following days:

Ms. Tansey's/Ms. Brennan's Class	-	Monday and Wednesday
Ms. Conroy's/Ms. Brennan's Class	-	Wednesday
Mr. Conboy's Class	-	Wednesday and Friday
Ms. Corcoran	-	Tuesday and Thursday
Mr. Duffy's Class	-	Tuesday and Wednesday
Ms. McLoughlin's Class	-	Thursday and Friday
Ms. Gilhooly's Class	-	Friday

Is it also recommended that shoes/runners with Velcro fastening or buckles are used until the students know how to tie their laces to help guard against accidents.

<u>Voluntary Contribution 2023/24</u> The school are requesting a contribution of €30 per pupil. This amount goes towards the cost of art supplies, photocopying and Pupil Personal Accident Insurance. We would be grateful if this contribution could be paid at your earliest convenience. This contribution can be paid through the online system <u>Way2Pay</u>. Alternatively, this amount can be paid in instalments on the Way2Pay system, if it is more convenient for you. Please find attached Way2Pay Information Sheet, Way2Pay Login Guide and Way2Pay by instalments sheet.

Homework Notebooks Homework Notebooks have already been given out to the students.

<u>Contact Details</u> If there is any change in your contact details, please let the school know so we can update our data base. Click <u>here</u> for the contact details form.

<u>Absence Form</u> If your child is absent from school for any reason all parents/guardians must complete an Absence Form. Please complete the absence note which is located in the centre of your child's Homework Notebook or click <u>here</u> for the online Absence Form.

Communication between home and school will be by e mail, text, Aladdin and through our school website at the moment.

If you wish to contact your child's teacher, please email the teacher, or leave a message on the school phone (071-9667264). We will endeavour to return your email or call as soon as possible.

Class	Teacher	Email address
Junior Infants & Senior Infants	Ms. Tansey/Ms. Brennan	dbrennanttansey@gmail.com
Senior Infants & 1 st Class	Ms. Conroy/Ms. Brennan	lconroydbrennan@gmail.com
2 nd Class	Mr. Conboy	lccootehall@gmail.com
3 rd Class	Ms. Corcoran	acorcoran1605@gmail.com
4 th Class	Mr. Duffy	cootehallns@gmail.com
5 th Class	Ms. McLoughlin	christinemcloughlin52@gmail.com
6 th Class	Ms. Gilhooly	agilhoolyschool@gmail.com
S.E.T.	Ms. Martin	camartin053@gmail.com
S.E.T.	Ms. Melvin	missmelvin123@outlook.com
S.E.T.	Ms. Cregg	cootehallns@gmail.com
E.A.L.	Ms. Fallon	leonafallon5@gmail.com

Teachers can be contacted directly by email at the following email addresses:

Thank you for your continued support.

Cian Dukky

Principal.