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Principal: Mrs. Keira McCallan BA (Hons), PQH

Monday, 8th October, 2018.

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Please read the following notes carefully.

- Many parents have shown an interest in starting a new **Parents Association**. There will be a meeting in the school on **Thursday, 11th October @ 7.30pm** to start the ball rolling. Please come along if you have any suggestions or would like to be involved in any way.
- A huge **Thank You** to all staff for organising our **Continental/Irish Breakfast** on **Friday, 28th September**. The total amount raised was **£322.43**
- Please find attached your child's **Newsletter/Learning Support Sheet** for **October**.
- Details of our **Annual Parent-Teacher Meetings** will be sent home this week. If the date and/or time don't suit, please inform the class teacher, rather than swapping with another parent, as changes may affect the timetables of other teachers.
- Could parents please communicate their arrangements again regarding collection of pupils from after-school sports activities on a Thursday and Friday with the Class Teacher and the After Schools as there has been some confusion in recent weeks. This can be done through the Home-School Messages Book.
- Pupils in **Year 1/2** are travelling to the **Model School** in **Monaghan** tomorrow to participate in some indoor and outdoor play as part of our **Shared Education Programme**. Pupils will be accompanied by two members of staff, will travel by bus and will return before school ends. Pupils are asked to wear their **PE uniform** and to bring a packed lunch. There is no cost to parents for this trip.

- Pupils in **Year 3/4** are travelling to the **Model School** in **Monaghan** on Wednesday **with pupils from St. Patrick's Primary School, Aughadarragh** to participate in some indoor and outdoor activities as part of our **Shared Education Programme** Pupils are asked to wear their **PE uniform**, a warm coat and wellies and to bring a packed lunch. There is no cost to parents for this trip.
- The **Year 7 After-School Homework Club** will take place on **Wednesday** next week instead of Monday, at the usual time. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.
- **Parents of pupils in Year 6/7:** A letter regarding our bi-annual trip to **Edinburgh** has been sent home today.
- **Parents of pupils in Year 1/2:** Mrs. Taggart is currently administering base-line assessments with pupils in **Year 1/2**. These tests have to be administered on a one-to-one basis. The outcomes of these assessments will be communicated to parents at Mrs. Taggart's annual Parent-Teacher Meetings. Letters will be sent out this week regarding dates and times.
- **Parents of pupils in Year 5/6:** I am delighted to inform you that pupils in **Year 5/6** will be receiving **Gaelic Coaching** with **Eoighain Murray** on a **Thursday** afternoon during school as part of their PE curriculum. This programme is funded by the **Department of Education**.
- **Parents of pupils in Years 5-7: After-school Gaelic coaching** with **Ryan Keenan** will take place on **Eskra Emmetts' pitch** from this **Thursday**. Pupils will be escorted up to the pitch @ 3.15pm. Mr. Keenan has asked that parents collect their children from **Eskra Emmetts' pitch @ 4.15pm**.
- **Parents of pupils in Year 1:** Please look out for photos of our Year 1 pupils in the Ulster Herald and the Tyrone Constitution over the next fortnight.
- I am delighted to inform you that **Mrs. Emma O'Hanlon** will be coming into our school to assist the **Year 3/4** Class Teacher, Mrs. McConnell on a Tuesday morning and the **Year 5/6** Class Teacher, Mr. Colton, on a Thursday morning on a voluntary basis. We thank Mrs. O'Hanlon most sincerely for kindly offering us her time and assistance and we welcome her to our team.
- Please note that only authorised adults will be permitted to collect pupils from school.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Keira McCallan
(Principal)

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