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Monday, 5th February, 2018.

Dear Parent,

Please read the following notes carefully.

- **February** is the month of **Forgiveness**. Pupils will be learning about the importance of forgiving themselves and others. They will be completing work based on this theme throughout the month of February.
- Our **Thinking Skill and Personal Capability** focus for **February** is **Self-Management** at home and at school. Please refer to your child's Newsletter/ Learning Support Sheet for February to see how you can help at home.
- A sincere Thank You to everyone who came to our **Afternoon Tea For Grandparents** on Wednesday. It was a great event, enjoyed by all. A special Thank You to everyone who donated food and to **Mrs. Carson, Mrs. Hackett, Mrs. Mulryan, Mrs. Morrow** and **Mrs. McCrory** for organising and managing the event.
- A display of pupils' work completed during **Catholic Schools Week** will be in St. Patrick's Church, Eskra by the end of this week.
- This week is **Kids' Mental Health Week** and Tuesday is **Safer Internet Day**. Teachers will be completing age-appropriate activities with pupils based on these themes during the week. Please check out the following websites for further information:

www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk
www.saferinternet.org.uk
- There will be a **Do This In Memory Mass** in **St. Patrick's Church, Eskra** on **Sunday, 11th February**.

'We learn to love and love to learn.'

- Please find attached your child's **Monthly Newsletter/Learning Support Sheet** for **February**.
- **Parents of Pupils in Year Seven:** Pupils in Year Seven will be travelling to Belfast to visit the **Titanic Quarter** on **Friday, 9th February, 2018**. The trip will consist of a **Brave New World Tour** and a Workshop entitled- **New Beginnings**. Pupils will travel by bus, leaving school promptly at **9am** and they will return at approximately **4.30pm**. Pupils are asked to bring a packed lunch. Pupils will be accompanied by two members of staff. Pupils are permitted to bring some spending money for the shop, if desired (Maximum of £10). Please note that mobile phones and devices with Internet access are not permitted on school trips. Pupils will be responsible for looking after their own property. Please complete the permission slip attached and return it to school by **Wednesday, 7th February**. Pupils in Year Seven have been learning about the Titanic with Mrs. O'Sullivan so this trip is linked to their World Around Us topic and should prove to be both educational and fun.

Tuesday night's written **Literacy** homework will be replaced by **Confirmation** homework until Confirmation. Pupils will still be expected to complete **reading, spelling practice** and **workbook** and **MA** each **Tuesday**. Please note that learning homework for Confirmation is just as important as written homework.

A Confirmation Information Evening for parents of pupils in **Year 7** has been arranged for **Monday, 26th February @ 7.30pm** in the school Assembly Hall.

Well done to our **Year 7 Boys** who got through to the semi-finals at the **Indoor Football Heat** on **Wednesday** at **Omagh Station Centre**. Well done, boys!

- A reminder that any children who arrive in school before 9am are asked to wait in the school Assembly Hall until 9am where they will be supervised by a member of staff. This is to give teachers time to prepare for class in the morning.
- Our school will be closed from **Monday, 12th February to Friday, 16th February (inclusive)** for **Mid-Term Break**. Pupils are asked to return to school on **Monday, 19th February** at the usual time.
- **PE** on a **Tuesday** for **Year 5/6** has now ended. PE for pupils in Year 5/6 will take place every **Wednesday** and **Friday**, therefore, pupils are asked to wear their PE uniform every Wednesday and Friday only.
- **Parents of pupils in Year 6:** A letter will be sent out tomorrow regarding **Year Six Transition Classes**.
- **Parents of pupils in Year 5/6:** Please find attached a letter from Mrs. O'Sullivan regarding a class trip.

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- We are collecting **The Irish News GAA** tokens with the aim of securing a coaching day, starting today and ending on **10th March**. Please support us by collecting the tokens and sending them into the school office. For further information visit: www.irishnews.com/coachingdays

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Keira McCallan
(Principal)

Permission Slip

I do/do not give permission for my child _____ to travel by bus to the Titanic Quarter, Belfast on Friday, 9th February, 2018.

Signed:

Date: