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CIRCULAR TO ALL PARENTS, No. 1, 8th September 2011

Dear Parents,

Fáilte romhaibh ar ais chuig an bhliain scoile nua. I welcome particularly our new Junior Infants and wish them many happy and fruitful years with us.

Calendar

A full calendar for the new school year is printed overleaf and published on our website. As a result of the Croke Park Agreement, there are no early closures for staff meetings this year.

Security/Safety Issues

All doors will be closed after 9.00 A.M. Visitors (and latecomers!) should ring the bell on the access control on front door for access after 9.00. For assembly period (8.40-9.00): The most practical entrances for pupils are as follows: Pupils in Rooms 9-12 use the laneway door near Trees Avenue. Pupils in Rooms 1-4 use the ramped side entrance near the prefabs. Pupils in Rooms 5-8 should use any entrance except the main door to the foyer, which we prefer to keep clear. The three main entrances have an internal release button and the foyer door may be used for exit. (Please close the door after exit). All doors can be opened from the inside in case of fire. Your cooperation in this is appreciated.

Parents are reminded that the school accepts no responsibility for pupils before 8.40 a.m. or after official closing time (1.20/2.20). Parents of infants should ensure that their children are collected on time from the yard inside the school gate in front of the school. Parents of pupils in other classes who collect their children should wait outside the school gate. Please keep younger children under control and leave promptly after collection. There should be no pupils around the school after collection times except those being supervised in a legitimate afterschool activity. Pupils with bicycles must dismount while on school property. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Policies

Please encourage your children to be punctual. "Formal Instruction" starts at 9.00 and latecomers interrupt the work in the classrooms. All pupils are expected to wear the school uniform. Pupils from Rang 3-6 are asked to have a plain blue shirt for formal occasions (choir, etc.) The school's code of behaviour is published in the homework notebook and on the school website. Other policies (Healthy Eating, Anti-Bullying, Child Protection, etc.) are on our website.

Text Alerts

Please ensure that you have joined up to receive text alerts. To join the group, send the following text to 53215:

JOIN sstreasa 0872136018 Child's NameF/M (Insert your child's name + F for father or M for mother)

One parent from each family is encouraged to join and both parents may join if desired. You can elect to stop receiving texts at any time. (Text STOP sstreasa 0872136018 to 53215)

Lost Property: All belongings must be clearly marked with the child's name. The school accepts no responsibility for articles lost or mislaid. **We have lots of unclaimed property.** It will be on tables in the foyer MONDAY MORNING ONLY, after which all remaining items will be disposed of.

Funding

A letter was circulated in June re educational costs and annual maintenance/ improvements voluntary contributions. The Education Costs contribution was due on the first week in September (parents of Junior Infants paid this prior to enrolment). Parents now have the option to make the Additional Voluntary Contribution at the same time. Thanks to those who have already made their contributions. Further information/forms etc. are available on the website.

Orchestra

Orchestra will be re-commencing on Wednesday 28th. New members are welcome and any queries should be addressed to Darina Ryan on 087 9244818.

Le dea ghuí,

Proinsias Ó hÓgáin. (Príomhoide)