

Seoil Bhríde Autumn 2017



Welcome back everybody and we extend a special welcome to our Junior Infants and Céad Míle Fáilte to our pupils from far afield. We also welcome Ms. Feeney, Ms. Murray, Mr. Breen and Mr. Bourke to the fold who are new to the school.

Our Board of Management have had to say Thanks You and *Faretheewell* to Jason Collins who was the Father Nominee to the Board of Management. Jason had to step down due to work commitments. He was a great support to the Pupils, Teachers and Parents. As a result, there is a vacancy on the board of management and we will be holding a Special Meeting on Tuesday 17th October to elect a New Father Nominee to the Board of Management. This current Board runs until Nov 2019. More details will be on the Website in News page.


As we endeavour to develop and enhance the pupils' resilience and independence, we are reminding parents that the pupils are to line up on their own. We have had some unfortunate misunderstandings and little accidents with adults - often twice the pupils' size - inadvertently intimidating pupils or literally stepping on their toes.



From 8.50 running and ball sports must cease. It might be prudent for pupils to bring their balls in a recycling bag to reduce risk of temptation and balls rolling out on to the road.



The Board of Management would like to express their thanks and best wishes to Ms. Eimear Dwyer who has secured a permanent position in her current school. Eimear was here since 2006 and was on teacher exchange.

 **Each year at Induction** for Junior Infant parents, in our newsletters, at Parents' Association AGM, we remind parents of the Traffic Management protocols in this school. These were drafted by the Board of Management in consultation with the Planners and Designers. The School Carpark has 88 spaces and the school population is approx 640 pupils. Most parents and minders are **careful, considerate and cooperative** and let us not forget that! However, there are some drivers who are putting the health, safety and wellbeing of pupils and adults at risk.

Each year, we see some careless and dangerous driving. Already we have had several near misses with pupils and some younger siblings.

Drivers may only drop off their children and park in the Carpark/ Tennis court/ Playground. Do not enter the Staff carpark **The spaces for Disabled Access are for those validly in possession of a Disabled Badge in the car, at the time and requiring access and is a 24/7, 365 days a year support. This is internationally recognised.**



We **cannot** accommodate all traffic. No school can. No shop can accommodate all its customers at one time. We are relying on the support of all the adults to help manage the traffic. To be fair, the carpark clears really well when people adhere to the plan which involves **turning left** upon exiting the school grounds.

Please use the church carpark and please walk to the school. We would also like to remind those wayward drivers that they agreed, on their admission form, to adhere to the rules and regulations as laid down by the Board of Management. Abusive driving or abusing staff will not be tolerated. This has occurred several times this year already and we're not out of September!

The Gardaí have reminded us all of our motoring obligations and please find a copy overleaf.

Kind Regards, Brendan Kelleher & Staff