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### **To All School Parents**

Please be advised of the following:

#### **Book Bills 2016/17**

The Book Bills for this school year have now been circulated. As requested by the Parents Association, we are pleased to inform you that they may be paid for in instalments over the remainder of the school year. We are open to receiving the returns at any time and in any instalment amount that you see fit to pay, once outstanding balances are cleared in advance of Summer Holidays 2017.

While returns are welcome any given day, our preferred day for returns would be on Monday as we have secretarial assistance on the majority of Mondays.

#### **Mohill Community College Enrolment**

We have been informed that Mohill CS Enrolment 2017/18 will take place on Saturday November 19. To this end, the pupils of Sixth Class are being brought on an Induction Day Tour of the School on Thursday November 17. They will be collected by bus at Scoil Mhuire at 9.30am and will return at lunchtime approx.

#### **Internet Safety**

Investigations and representations by our Parents Association have resulted in the development that an internet safety module will be delivered to pupils in the two more senior classrooms of the school in the near future. A parallel module for parents of the corresponding pupils will be delivered, ideally on the same evening, as the classroom presentations. More details on this to follow once dates have been confirmed.

#### **Mobile Phones**

Parents are reminded that, unless it is absolutely necessary for afterschool activities, pupils should not bring mobile phones to school. Apart from the danger of their breaking, their misuse could potentially lead to trouble. In the event of your child requiring to bring the mobile phone to school for after school use please inform us in writing.

## **Confirmation Prayer Service of Commitment 2017**

It was previously notified to you that the above service would take place on Saturday 28 January 2017 in St Michael's Church 7pm. We have been requested by the PA to consider the use of St Joseph's Church Cloonturk for one of the pre Confirmation services. As this is the most suitable one to change, we are advising you that its new date is now proposed as **Sunday January 29 at 9.30am**. If you have a difficulty with this proposed change, please inform us by next Friday.

You are reminded that Enrolment Ceremony for First Holy Communion and Confirmation takes place next Saturday November 17 at 7.00pm in St Michael's Church.

## **Parents Association**

Again you are advised that we have an excellent hard working Parents Association Committee, representative of all classes in the school. Any additional help that is forthcoming will be greatly appreciated by the committee. For your information the members of the committee are as follows and if there are any issues or concerns that you wish to raise you may contact the members of the committee:

**Chairperson** Dominic Maguire

**Secretary** Maria Bohan

**Treasurer** Seamus Gannon

**PRO** Alan Carney

**Committee Members:** Geraldine Connolly, Angela Carr, Eileen Faughnan, Ann Marie Boyle, Deirdre Costello, Katherina McGuinness, Bart Kazcmarek, Anna Kazcmarek, Colin McGuinness (Board of Management) and Deirdre Mulligan (Board of Management)

You can find additional information on our website [www.bornacoolans.ie](http://www.bornacoolans.ie)

## **School Improvements**

You may have noticed that school yard and surrounds have received a much needed facelift over the Halloween Break with the much needed trimming of the perimeter trees and the addition of extra play facilities. The polytunnel has been secured with a perimeter fence and a safety rail has been erected in the car park. You are again advised of the need to be cautious when collecting or dropping off pupils at the school as the number of cars is on the increase.

## **Senior Pupils**

As the weather has changed and ground conditions have deteriorated, pupils in Fifth and Sixth Classes have been advised to have indoor shoes from now on as the floor covering in their room is carpeted. We appreciate your co-operation on this matter. Any old shoes/slippers will be adequate in this regard.

## **Halloween Fundraiser**

As you are aware, the Halloween Fancy Dress raised €1049 for the Loughlin Óg Burns Fundraising Appeal. We wish to thank all families for their generosity in reaching this figure and the Burns Family is hugely appreciative of our gesture. Well done to all for efforts made over an enjoyable day.

Yours Sincerely

Declan Bohan

Principal