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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to another school year. Thank you for sending back your children in lovely uniforms and with all their requisites.

Check regularly that school shoes and runners are tied securely and are safe for running at playtime and walking on stairs when indoors. Also make sure school skirts are no shorter than 2 inches above the knee.

Fortunately there are no new directives from the Chief Medical Officer in respect of managing Covid-19.

Updates and Reminders

- Handwashing and sanitizing will continue throughout the day. Ensure your child has a small drawstring hygiene bag containing tissues and a towel (face cloth sized).
- Good respiratory etiquette will be continuously encouraged
- Sick children should stay at home for a minimum of 48 hours. This is the best way to keep viruses out of school.
- All rooms and work surfaces are cleaned every day and bathrooms are cleaned twice daily.
- All children can now enter the front yard every morning when the gate is open at 8.50a.m.
- All children will be dismissed from the main yard entrance.

- Please remember to cross at the pedestrian crossing.
- Ensure your car is parked properly.
- Thank you for your patience while **Aladdin**, our online management system gets up and running. Links for school payments will be sent to you in due course.
- **School meals** will begin on Monday next, 12th September. Changes to orders must be made online by 4pm on Thursdays for delivery the following week.
- **Cycle training**: this week our 5th and 6th class will begin cycle training. The girls will be instructed on road safety, bike maintenance, and proper cycling etiquette and rules. Each pupil is to make a donation of €2 to defray the cost.

- **Schools Football** - 5th and 6th class will begin training this week in school. From Thursday 15th September, PE/training will be in Ballycomey from 1.45p.m. to 2.45p.m. Lifts will be needed.
- All precautions are taken in school to prevent cyber bullying. For this reason, no mobile phones or smart watches/devices are allowed in school.
- **Music Generation**
Classes will begin again on September 10th. 2nd to 6th classes will have 1 class per week from a trained music teacher. All will learn some music theory, rhythm song singing and 5th & 6th class will also learn Ukulele after Halloween.

Our current staff are

Mrs M Jacob	Learning Support
Ms. O. Maher	Junior & Senior Infants
Ms. R Tyrrell	Senior & First class
Mrs. M Kenny	2 nd , 3 rd & 4 th class
Mrs L. Walshe	5 th & 6 th class
Ms. A McGrath	Shared Learning Support
Ms. S Shelley	Shared Learning Support



Mrs. Carmel Kenny is newly appointed shared Home School Community Liaison co-ordinator (HSCL). She will be available to help parents and families with any school related difficulties. If you have a query or difficulty, she will be in the yard every morning and can also be contacted by emailed on ckenny@presentationcastlecomer.com or by phone on 083 1145499 during school hours.

In time classes for parents will be arranged to encourage social interaction and support new parents in the area of cookery, Pilates, art? Get thinking and Mrs Kenny will be contacting all for their ideas in the next few weeks.

Due to Covid, no parents could come into the school for the past couple of years so at the end of September we will have an open night for all parents to come in and see the school and meet the teachers. You can see your child's classroom and match faces to names of the teachers. Light refreshments will be served.

Dates to remember

- New junior infants going home at 12.30p.m. until and including Wednesday 15th. From Thursday 16th September they will be going home at 1.45p.m.
- Friday 30th September, school closing at 12 noon for staff training.