St Patrick's P.S Drumgreenagh

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Dear Parent/ Guardian,

It was wonderful to have the children back at the school this week. The children are all looking beautiful in their uniforms – thank you! The Friends Association has a number of uniform items available via the Uniform Recycle, if you need any additional uniform items please contact the school office.

A huge welcome to our new Primary One children and their families, we hope the children will enjoy many happy and successful years in St Patrick's PS. We hope too that we will all be enjoy a more normal year at school, and know that you will remain vigilant regarding Covid symptoms.

General Information

If you have an urgent matter to discuss with your child's teacher, please telephone the school office to arrange an appointment. **All parents/ guardians are asked to remain outside the gates.** Parents/ guardians coming into school for a prearranged appointment must wear a facecovering.

The children will be dismissed from the school gates by their teacher/ classroom assistant. Please adhere to the one-way system – entering via the parochial house/ chapel and exiting via the playpark - to ease the flow of traffic at collection/ drop off time.

PE Arrangements

The PE days, when your child may wear his/ her blue PE uniform, are Monday and Thursday on all other days the green uniform is to be worn.

Data Capture Form and Consent Form

Primary Two- Seven children have received a copy of the school capture data form – please check that contact phone numbers and email address are current, indicate a preferred number for school texts and update accordingly. The form is to be returned to the school office on/before school before Wednesday 8th September. Please sign, date and return the consent form for school records.

School App

Please ensure that you have updated your child's class on the school App- Primary 365.

Covid

Please do not send your child to school if he/she is unwell – he/she will be sent home immediately. If your child or anyone in your household has any of the following symptoms you should get a test for Covid-19.

- a high temperature this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature);
- a new, continuous cough this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual);
- a loss of or change in sense of smell or taste.

To assist Track and Trace, please download the Stop Covid App which is available on Google Play and the iTunes store.

Swimming Lessons

Primary Four/ Five will be commencing swimming lessons next week, further details will be sent home in a separate letter.

Spanish Lessons

Spanish with Patricia will recommence on Wednesday 15th September, further details will be sent home next week.

Afterschool Sessions

Afterschool sessions will begin on Monday 13th September with Burns Multisports sessions. The Friends Group will send details next week. After school class runs from 1.45-2.45pm for P1-3; and 2.45-3.45pm for P4-7.

As always, if you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me – nmagee351@c2kni.net.

Thank you for your cooperation,

Mrs N Magee and staff