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October Letter 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian,

At present P1 – P3 are not changing for PE. I attach a price list and QR code to a new PE uniform for P4 – P7. Please note this is **not compulsory** and I have managed to keep prices at cost price. O'Neills will be supplying the PE uniform and a T-Shirt and shorts are reasonably priced at £24 and of good quality. It is useful to have these uniforms if the pupils are on school sports teams and the children like these. It does not replace normal school uniform.

We form a new Board of Governors this term and I would welcome nominations for Parent Governor. Our Board of Governors meet 6 – 8 times per year for an hourly evening meeting. The post is for 4 years. If there is more than 1 nomination the post goes to election. I have included a link which outlines the role of Governor and which gives more information. If you wish to be considered, or indeed nominate, make sure you have the agreement with this person and let me know via the school email by 18<sup>th</sup> October 2024. Parent Governors must be a parent of a present pupil in Nursery or Primary School. The Parish also nominates a Parent Trustee Representative.

<https://www.education-ni.gov.uk/articles/information-becoming-school-governor>

The Parent Support Group are busy organising a Halloween Coffee Morning on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at school. They have asked for donations of buns and home baking and parents and pupils will be able to buy buns on the day at 50p etc. There will also be a raffle on the day. All proceeds will go to school funds. We thank them for their support and if you would like to get involved contact Miss. Julie Breslin P1 teacher who is the school contact.

The Halloween Hooley will take place on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2024. Pupils can dress up in their Halloween costumes or come to school with crazy hair. Remember no scary masks as some of the younger children can be frightened. The school canteen will have a Halloween lunch box to buy on the day.

We plan to have parent teacher meetings on the week beginning 18<sup>th</sup> November 2024 and on the day Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2024 – we will send out invites later in November.

P3 Pupils will be staying until 2.50pm after the Halloween midterm break – from Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2024 onwards.

We congratulate all our new Nursery Pupils and P1's who have settled so well this term. Remember if there is any thing we can help with in school please contact your class teacher via Google classroom or contact the Principal at school.

The P5 P6 and P7 pupils will be visiting Mass on Friday mornings and will be returning to visit the Library this term.

The midterm break takes place on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024, Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2024 and Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024. We hope everyone has a safe and happy Halloween.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Brian Mc Gurk  
Principal.