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## 10/02/16

Dear parents,

I wish to share some important information re our school move. You will be aware as per earlier correspondence that the pupils will have no school on the week of  $29^{th}$  to  $4^{th}$  March, as staff will be in the new school, unpacking furniture, establishing procedures for the day to day operation and getting everything ready for the pupils' arrival on site the following week,  $7^{th}$  March.

However we are providing opportunities on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March for parents and children to call in to school for a short familiarisation visit. Please see response slip below for details of the proposed time for each year group's visit. Should the slot suggested for your child not suit, feel free to indicate on the attached slip that you would like to attend that of another year group. Please also note that if you have more than one child, you can take both children to one of the meetings, or can attend multiple times, as per your convenience. Also, please feel free to send a grandparent, childminder etc with your child if you are unable to accompany him/her.

These meetings are very important and we would encourage all families to attend if possible. We need to host them during daylight as we wish you to see the external grounds and to get a sense of how 'drop off' and 'collection' procedures will operate. They will also allow your child to get a nice introduction to his/ her new surroundings within a small grouping and with you on hand for reassurance and to share the excitement. Our first day with everyone on site will be very daunting if it is your child's first experience, so we urge you to avail of the 'familiarisation' sessions.

This is a thrilling time for all in St Clare's Abbey and the staff and I look forward to sharing the splendour of our new surroundings with you

Please complete the attached slip and return to your child's class teacher on Mon  $22^{nd}$  after mid-term break to help us estimate numbers.

Yours in partnership,

Mrs Monaghan Principal

I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ parent of \_\_\_\_\_\_ in

Nursery/Primary \_\_\_\_\_\_ will ensure that my child will come to the familiarisation session on:

(Tick your choice)

Wednesday @ 9.30 am - P1 & P4 familiarisation session. Nursery familiarisation for AM pupils.

Wednesday @ 11.00 am - P2 & P5 familiarisation sessions

Thursday @ 9.30 am - P3 & P6 familiarisation sessions. Nursery familiarisation for PM pupils

Thursday @ 11.00 am - P7 & Miss O Shea's class