

Dear Principal

As you may be aware, PPTC has issued a statement with respect to some aspects of the GL assessment which would normally take place in November for P7 pupils.

The details of this statement are copied below and are found both on the **PPTC** website and the **News and Information for Parents** tabs on the **St. Colman's College** website.

There are no further details at present, but as and when more details become available, information will be provided on these platforms.

The links to the PPTC and St. Colman's website are:-

<http://www.stcolmans.org.uk/post-primary-transfer-2020-21>

[www.pptcni.com](http://www.pptcni.com)

The full statement is as follows:-

### **PTC 2020-21 Update**

PPTC has been working closely with its Entrance Assessment provider, GL Assessment, to find ways to best support pupils who will transfer to post-primary schools in 2021 and their parents. Discussions have centred on three main areas:

#### **1 Delaying the Assessment Date**

We are working to establish if the Entrance Assessment can be delayed from mid-November 2020. This would provide all pupils with valuable additional P7 time before being assessed.

#### **2 Delaying and extending the Registration Period**

We are looking at delaying the start date for parents to register their children to sit the Entrance Assessment from mid-May to provide more time before registration decisions need to be made. We are also looking at extending the Registration deadline from mid-September 2020 to provide additional registration time when pupils are in P7.

#### **3 Making the Entrance Assessment as accessible as possible for pupils**

We are exploring different ways to take account of the current disruption to pupils' schooling, in order to help them achieve their full potential when sitting the Entrance Assessment.

*PPTC will make specific information public through this website as soon we are in a position to do so. The "Information for Parents" section will subsequently be updated to include the full "2020-21 Registration Pack" which will be accessible on the PPTC website [www.pptcni.com](http://www.pptcni.com) or on the Information for Parents tab [www.stcolmans.org.uk](http://www.stcolmans.org.uk)*

Take care and stay safe

Cormac McKinney

Principal