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Principal's End of year update 23/24

Dear parents,

We have enjoyed a wonderful summer term and the beautiful weather allowed us to fully enjoy our end of year events without any rescheduling complications. It was a fitting end to a very productive year.

Your generosity, support and understanding throughout the year meant so much to us. I am so appreciative of you all.

## Uniforms:

- 1. We would gratefully receive any pre-loved uniforms in good condition and freshly washed to replenish our stores. Items such as ties, navy socks and tights would be of particular benefit as we always run low on these, but we are eager to receive all uniform parts- although we stress again the need for good condition.
  - 1. We will have pre-loved uniforms available for the incoming year which parents are invited to come and choose from at the following times on Thursday and Friday of this week:

## School foyer:

Thurs 29th June - 8.45/ 1.45/ 2.45

Friday 30th June- 8.45

It would make such good sense if a lot of parents availed of this service. Uniforms are expensive and whilst you may not be able to get all that you need from our supplies, hopefully you could get some complimentary parts that would save a little bit of money. You would also be helping us in our Eco pursuit of recycling as much as possible.

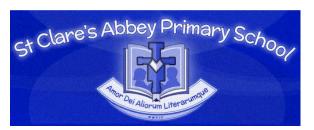
## Teacher changes:

Please see at the end of this communication an overview of the classes for next year. The list includes our newest teachers Mr Liam Devlin and Mrs Roisin Mc Keown, who unfortunately were not able to be with us before September.









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Next year Mr Paul Hillen and Miss Rosie Ferguson will also be working with us as permanent teachers, I know that they have taught many of your children, but until this point they have worked as substitute teachers. I am delighted with their new permanent status.

Miss Blanaid O Shea will be reducing her working week next year and I am delighted to welcome Miss Ciara Jones (currently our P5 teacher) to the ECPD team as she will be the second teacher in that class.

You will note that we will be missing Miss Kerrie Fegan, Miss Meabh Mc Caughey and Mr Michael Fitzpatrick. They made an incredible contribution to our school whilst they were with us and we will miss them hugely whilst wishing them every best wish for the next stage in their professional lives.

Another big 'miss' for us next year will be Mrs Geraldine Tierney, who will commence a richly deserved retirement on 1<sup>st st</sup> September 2023. Her dedication, energy and love for all pupils have inspired us all. I know that you will join me in expressing heartfelt thanks and wishing her an abundance of blessings and good health as she embarks on her next chapter.

I thank you for entrusting your precious children into our care and wish all our St Clare's Abbey families a safe and happy summer holiday.

As always, yours in partnership,

Mrs Monaghan

## **CLASS TEACHERS FOR 2023 - 2024**

Nursery Mrs Gallagher Nurture- 'The Bloom Room' Mr Byrne ECPD Miss O'Shea / Miss Jones

Primary 1 Mrs McGoldrick / Mrs Davey Primary 1 Mrs A McParland Primary 1 / 2 Mrs Kearney

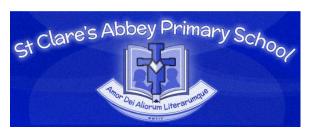
Primary 2 Miss Rocks

Primary 2 Mrs R McKeown









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Primary 3 Miss Duffy

Primary 3 Mrs E McKeown / Miss McCoy

Primary 4 Mrs Doherty / Mrs Donnelly

Primary 4 Mrs Cribbin

Primary 5 Mrs Browne

Primary 5 Mrs McVeigh

Primary 6 Miss Ferguson

Primary 6 Mr Hillen

Primary 6 Mr Devlin

Primary 7 Mr Clarke

Primary 7 Mrs M McParland

