

Parent Newsletter: Wednesday 2nd September

1 Welcome back!

We are delighted to welcome all of the children back to school and look forward to a great year. We welcome, too, two new Junior Infant classes all of whom, touch wood, seem to have settled in beautifully. Furthermore, we welcome our nine new teachers to the school bringing us to a teaching staff of 28 teachers!

2 School Building

We are pleased to note that the Minister for Education announced and confirmed the erection of our permanent building in late July with construction to take place over the 09/10 school year and to be available to us for the start of the school year in September 2010. We gather from the DES that the pre-building process is at an advanced stage.

3 Important Update Form

Please complete and sign page 1 of the 'Important Update' Form sent home with your children on Monday. Please read pages 2 to 7 which set out a number of important school policies. You may need to write a note to the teacher about your child's medical conditions or about whether your child may walk home from school or not. Please keep pages 2 to 7 in a safe place at home for future reference.

4 Swine Flu

I am happy to report that no parent has informed me that their child or family has contracted or been exposed to Swine Flu (H1N1) to date. Please ensure that your child has a small towel in his/her school bag for personal use until further notice.

5 Early Closing this Friday

The school will close for all children at 12noon this Friday (September 4th) for a Staff Meeting. (Junior Infants 11am). Please ensure that your child is collected promptly and that you make the necessary arrangements with your childminders etc.

6 Clubs

The registration night for the Autumn cycle of After-School clubs will take place on Tuesday September 22nd. A brochure of clubs available to your children will be distributed about one week before that.

7 School Lunches

A flier outlining the costs, dates and availability of school lunches will be distributed next week, with view to getting the school lunch service up and running by mid-September.