Summer Newsletter St. Brigid’s Primary School, The Coombe

As our strange school year 2019/2020 comes to an end I want to give a very big shout out to all the pupils, parents and staff of St. Brigid’s for getting through this difficult past few months together in such a productive and supportive manner. Well done to everyone and thank you all!

Here below is some useful information for all the parents/guardians of St. Brigid’s looking ahead to our next term:

* **Small change in uniform**

From September 2020, although our uniform will remain the same, both staff and Board of Management have agreed to allow the girls in the school to have the **option** of wearing uniformtrousers in place of a skirt or pinafore if they wish.

The uniform for all children is therefore as follows:

Crested school jumper, navy trousers, skirt or pinafore, light blue polo teeshirt, navy socks or tights, navy or black school shoes.

The PE uniform consists of the crested school tracksuit, yellow polo teeshirt and runners of any colour.

The tracksuit is only to be worn on PE days and other sports activity days indicated by the teachers.

The crested items (school jumper and school tracksuit) are available at John Laurence’s shop, 54 Thomas St, Dublin 8. The remainder of the uniform can be purchased in any of the department stores.

* **Congratulations**

We would like to extend our warmest congratulations to Ms. Michelle Stedman who got married recently. Congrats to Michelle and Brian!

We would also like to send our very best wishes to Ms. Niamh Drummond who is going on career break for the coming year and who is also getting married in September.

All the very best Niamh and Mikey!

We welcome Ms. Fionuala McNamara back to the school in September after a career break and wish her very well.

* **Class teachers for 2020/2021**

Junior Infants Room 1 – Ms. Niamh Fallon

Junior Infants Room 2 - Ms. Michelle Stedman

Junior Infants Room 14 – Ms. Grace Cowman

Senior Infants Room 3 – Teacher to be appointed

Senior Infants Room 4 – Teacher to be appointed

1st Class Room 5 – Ms. Emma Baynes

1st Class Room 6 – Ms. Anne Marie Keane

2nd Class Room 8 – Ms. Róisín Lucey

3rd Class Room 9 – Mr. Alan Crowe

4th Class Room 11 – Ms. Mairéad Laffan

5th Class Room 12 – Teacher to be appointed

6th Class Room 10 – Ms. Sarah Simcox

Early Start Teacher – Ms. Gráinne Ryan Child Care Worker – Ms. Jackie Ward

Home /School Liaison teacher – Ms. Geraldine Tuohy

Special Education Team:

Ms. Niamh Hanna

Ms. Deirdre Cronin

Ms. Maeve Green / Ms. Venessa Burke ( job share )

Ms. Abigail Spencer

Ms. Fionuala Mc Namara

Ms. Olive Murphy

Ms. Marian Daly

SNAs :

Ms. Linda Horan

Ms. Elin Karlsson

Ms. Tracy Fitzgerald

Ms. Paula Hempenstall

* **School Reopening**

We are scheduled to reopen the school on the 1st September 2020. We are as yet unsure what structure this reopening will take as we await government guidelines but rest assured, we will do everything in our power to make the reopening as smooth and safe as possible for all pupils and staff.

We will update you with any developments or news regarding the reopening as soon as decisions are made.

Lastly, a huge thanks for all the well wishes I have received for my retirement on 1st November 2020. St. Brigid’s has been a huge part of my life for a very long time so it will be with sadness that I will leave but in the certain knowledge that it will continue to be the wonderful school that it is.

Enjoy the Summer break to the full with your children and we will see you all in September!

Best wishes,

Deirdre Early and all the staff of St. Brigid’s.