5th October 2023

**Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s)**

You will be aware of a number of changes that are taking place in our school this year. We have introduced a new numeracy scheme, we are reviewing our guided reading practices, written homework has been reduced as well as classroom written work and we have refreshed our crest and logo.

Our focus this year is on the active process of teaching and learning rather than the emphasis being on volumes of written work going into a book – once a child begins to complete written work, the amount of learning taking place greatly reduces. We want to maximise the amount of teaching and learning happening in our classrooms .

In order to familiarise you with what your child will be doing this year, we have organised information sessions for our parents. Year groups will cluster together and deliver a succinct session outlining the year ahead in some of the key areas.

These sessions will take place on Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th October. The first session will begin shortly after 1pm and end around 1.40pm. The second second session will begin shortly after 2pm and end around 2.40pm. Your children will remain in school and will be appropriately supervised during whichever session(s) you are able to attend.

I appreciate you may not be able to attend every session relevant to your family, but please try your best to get to at least one of them.

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| DAY | TIME | Classes | LOCATION |
| Tues 24th October | 1.10pm - 1.40pm | P1, P1/2, P2 | Mrs McGovern’s room |
| Tues 24th October | 2.10pm – 2.40pm | P5 | Mrs Mulholland’s room |
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| Wed 25th October  | 1.10pm - 1.40pm | P3, P3/4 P4 | Mrs Woods’ room |
| Wed 25th October | 2.10pm – 2.40pm | P6, P6/7, P7 | Mr Kearns’ room |

Please use the entrance nearest to the classroom in which the session takes place. We would appreciate if you would sign a register when you arrive so that we have a record of who attended.

We look forward to seeing you then.

Yours sincerely,
**Pauline McEvoy**
Principal