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Dear Parent/Guardian,

As we close for our Summer holiday I want to write to thank you for your support throughout the year. We are very proud that as a school we have continued to flourish this year with many opportunities for the students to get involved in the extra and co-curricular life of the school. Thank you to our teachers who continue to give their time so generously.

I would also like to welcome those parents who will have sons and daughters joining us for the first time in the new academic year. We look forward to getting to know your children and you as parents over the months and years ahead.

Booklists

There is no book or equipment list for 1st Year students. As you are aware Le Chéile is a one to one device school and teachers create their own content which aligns with the subject specifications and is informed by the needs of the students they teach. The school will provide students 1st, 2nd and 3rd Year with the copies and any other stationary required for each subject. 3rd Year students will be provided with the exam papers they need for each subject. We will also cover the costs associated with the study of Graphics, Wood Technology, Technology and Art which is normally passed on to parents. Each 1st Year student will be provided with a stocked pencil case, Maths Set and Calculator. Second and Third Year pencil cases may need to be replenished by parents if items have been lost over the course of the school year.

Summer Reports

Summer Reports can be accessed through Vsware. They are now available to view.

iPad

The link to the Wriggle store is available on the School website, under the Parent tab drop down menu there an iPad section. ***iPads must be purchased from the Wriggle store.*** A license fee of €120 is charged by Wriggle to ensure that your child has a managed device and that all educational apps needed can be included on their device. The school will cover this €120 payment for all 1st Year students meaning that the only cost you will have is for the device itself.

School Uniform

I would like to remind all parent of the high expectations we have in terms of school uniform. We expect students to be in full school uniform everyday, including the days they have PE lessons. The school PE uniform must be worn for PE classes. No alternative is allowed.

We would encourage you to purchase/order the uniform early in Summer to avoid delays in September. A reminder that school uniform should be purchased from the SchoolWear House.

- Students should come to school every day in full uniform. **Student must wear a school jacket to school – no other jacket is allowed.** The full school uniform for Junior Cycle students is a white long sleeved shirt, purple crested jumper, school trousers or skirt, school tie, **black socks** and **all black shoes**.

- Student can wear small stud earrings and a watch. No other jewellery is allowed. *Student may not have any other facial piercings* and no visible tattoos. For **health and safety reasons long acrylic nails are not allowed.** Hair should be a natural colour and hair accessories must be discreet and match the school uniform. No hair shaving designs are allowed.

- A uniform hijab is available through the school office at a cost of €4. This is part of the school uniform. No other hijab is allowed.

We would ask parents to ensure that any facial piercing the students get over the Summer can be removed in time for the start of the new school year. Covering with a plaster is not acceptable.

Maintaining the highest possible standards in term of uniform is very important to us - 'small things matter' and would ask for your support with this.

School App

We have fully migrated all our communications with parents from Vsware to the School app. It is important that all parents have the app as all notifications from the school will be message through this.

The app can be downloaded at:
https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=in.omninos.iclasscms&hl=en_GB&pli=1 (Andoid)
https://apps.apple.com/us/app/iclasscms/id1173183264 (ios).

We will send the access code in the coming days. Parents can continue to access VSware in the normal way to monitor their child's attendance and behaviour reports.

An update letter will be sent to all parents in mid August with return to school dates. The school will reopen on August 22nd and students will be welcomed back year by year over the opening days.

We wish you and enjoyable Summer holiday and look forward to meeting you in the new academic year.

With every good wish,

Leona Harrington
Principal