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Wednesday 22nd June 2016

Dear Parents / Guardians,

As we are nearing the end of another school year, I would like to summarise a few reminders for you:

School Matters

Book Rentals and Materials Money

Many thanks to the majority of parents who have paid the Rental & Materials Money for 2016/17. If you have not yet paid, please pay the balance before the school closes on Thursday 30th June.

Children whose Book Rental Money is fully paid will receive their books when they return to school on Thursday 1st September 2016.

Maintenance Contribution

The €5.00 Maintenance Contribution for June 2016 is due. Many thanks to all of you who have paid. The draw for €100 takes place Tuesday 28th June. Please send in your contribution before Tuesday to ensure inclusion in the draw. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all families who contributed consistently throughout the past school year. These funds are a tremendous help in keeping the school looking as well as it does.

Library Books

As you are aware we have invested large sums of money, raised by our Parent Teacher Association, to build up a stock of excellent books for our class libraries. If your child has any School Library Books at home please send them into the school before we close on Thursday 30th June.

Passo-a-Passo / Cake Sale / Non-Uniform Day

Cake Sale and "Wear The Blue" in aid of Mozambique

Our annual Cake Sale in aid of our twin school, Passo-a-Passo in Mozambique, will be held on **Monday 27th June**. Mr. Fitzsimon's is a past member of staff in St. Mark's S.N.S. and he has been working tirelessly for over 20 years helping the children and their families.

The 6th Class teachers and children will organise the event in the school hall. We are hoping to raise a lot of money for Passo-a-Passo. Please help us.

We are asking **all** children to **"Wear The Blue"**. They can wear their tracksuit bottoms or blue jeans with a blue t-shirt (school polo shirt, if they so wish) and **they bring in €2**.

Principal: RICHARD WALSH
Deputy Principal: CLODAGH WHAN

Farewell to our 6th Classes of 2015/16

Sixth Class Barbecue / Sports Day

Our 6th Class pupils will be having a Barbecue on **Friday 24th June** weather permitting, to celebrate the contribution they have made to the school community over the past four years. They will also be taking part in various sports activities in the morning. Ms. Jean Gilmore, our School Completion Coordinator and the sixth class teachers will be providing the barbecue.

Graduation Sixth Class

The Graduation Mass for the Sixth Classes will be celebrated by Fr. Pat McKinley P.P. in St. Mark's Church on Tuesday 28th June 2016 at 11.00 a.m. This is a very special event for our sixth class children and their parents or guardians. Children under the age of 18 years must be accompanied by an adult. All parents, guardians and family members of our 6th class boys and girls are invited to the Graduation Ceremony. After Mass the children will be presented with their Graduation Packs. St. Mark's Parent Teacher Association have organised a Special reception for all family and friends in St. Mark's school hall.

School Closures June 2016 / Re-openings September 2016

School Closings

Wednesday 29th June: The children will go home at 12.00 noon.

Thursday 30th June : School closes for the Summer Holidays on at 12 noon.

School reopening in September

School will reopen on Thursday 1st September Children are to come to school at the following times:

8.50 am: 6th Class - go straight to their new classroom.

8.50 am: 4th Class - go straight to their new classroom.

9.30 am: 5th Classes - assemble in School Hall. They will be divided into their new classes.

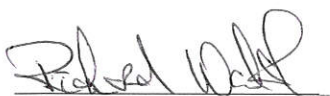
10.00 am: 3rd Class - assemble in School Hall. They will be divided into their new classes.

Children will finish school at the normal time 2.30 p.m. on the 1st of September.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our families a safe and a happy summer holiday. I look forward to working with you again in the coming September.

Thank you for your ongoing support. With every good wish.

Yours sincerely,



Richard Walsh

Principal