



EDUCATION AUTHORITY SOUTHERN REGION

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Dear Parent/ Guardians

Thank you for enabling such a positive start back to school. We are thankful that all our school community are safe and well. We hope you understand that there are a lot of new guidelines and regulations that schools are having to follow and we appreciate your patience in helping us to implement and follow them.

As already announced, where possible, we accommodated the teaching and learning of the pupils with a familiar setting of their previous year's teacher. During the last four weeks and continuing into next week, teachers have been assessing pupils and teaching areas of the curriculum missed during lockdown, as well as promoting positive relationships and mental wellbeing.

The school will be closed on 28th and 29th September for Staff Development Days.

On the 30th September 2020 pupils will make the transition to their new year group. As you are aware it had always been the vision of the Board of Governors to move Mullavilly to a straight class system. We have been able to obtain that for the last three years. Over the last number of months, the staff and Governors have been involved in a number of discussions and meetings regarding classes for the 2020 /2021 academic year. Due to budgetary constraints, limitations with accommodation and delays with the Department of Education's development proposal to increase the school enrolment number the Board of Governors have been left with no option but to return to a six class structure with a composite Primary 4 /5 and Primary 5 /6 class, with class numbers being between 25 to 27.

Primary 1	Miss Kelly	Room 1	17 pupils
Primary 2	Mrs McWilliams	Room 4	20 pupils
Primary 3	Mrs Innocenzi / Mrs Jackson	Room 2	19 pupils
Primary 4/ 5	Miss Cochrane / Mrs Murray	Room 3	27 pupils
Primary 5 /6	Mr Ritchie	Mobile 2	25 pupils
Primary 7	Mrs Nesbitt	Mobile 1	21 pupils

New drop off and pick times issued last week will be implemented on 30th September 2020.

There will be no written homework that week to allow for a settling in period.

We sincerely hope that parents appreciate how difficult a process it is to select pupils for classes and that we have the welfare of the children at heart.

The staff and Governors would like to thank you for your continued support throughout this challenging year.

Yours sincerely

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