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Creating and Maintaining Healthy Habits in Children

The HSE has recently developed an **Information Leaflet for Parents**, with information on health topics such as mental health, healthy eating and physical activity. This leaflet outlines the key messages on each topic and details further websites where more information can be obtained. We have attached a PDF of this leaflet to this newsletter.

Sponsored walk

We are organising a sponsored walk to support the GoFundMe page, 'A Lifeline for Lucy'. Lucy is a parent of a pupil in our school. You will find more information about the GoFundMe page at this link:

<https://ie.gofundme.com/f/a-lifeline-for-lucy> .

On Friday (24th September) each class will go on a walk outside of the school grounds. The route will be determined by the age of the class. We are asking pupils to bring in a donation of €2 on the day if possible. All money collected will be donated directly to the GoFundMe page. If we are unable to complete the walk on Friday due to weather conditions we will complete the walk next week.

Scoil Bhríde is a "Nut Free" school

As we have a number of students who have serious nut allergies I wish to remind parents/guardians that nuts or nut spreads (Nutella) are not allowed in Scoil Bhríde.

Grapes

Grapes should be cut if included in the lunch box, as whole grapes may be a choking hazard.

Review of Anti Bullying Policy

The Board of Management is currently reviewing the Anti-Bullying Policy. Please see the current policy on the website. If you would like to make any suggestions or comments please contact me on

principal@sbrathcormac.ie

Tracksuits

We finally got our new tracksuit delivery! Payment for tracksuits can be made through Aladdin and the tracksuit will be sent home with your child. Please ensure that you label your child's tracksuit when you receive it.

Coats

Please ensure that your child brings a coat to school for yard time.

Pupil Personal Accident Insurance

The premium for 24 hour cover has been paid to Allianz. Please check out www.allianz.ie/pupil-personal-accident for details of this insurance scheme.

Comhghairdeas

Congratulations to all the boys and girls in Rang III who received the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion last week. Thanks to their teachers from last year Ms Feeney and Miss Crowley, and their current teachers Ms Kearney and Miss Hynes.

Celebrating Birthdays in Scoil Bhríde

Birthdays are special days and class teachers acknowledge these special days in class. Just a reminder that it is school policy that birthday or party invitations are not given out in the classroom or anywhere on school grounds as we do not wish to cause any distress to individual children who may not receive an invitation.

Please do not give your child/children invitations for distribution coming to school. If you wish to invite pupils to a party, please do so privately. Also please note that school staff cannot be involved in the circulation of such invitations, or providing lists of names or contact details of other pupils in the class, nor are they to be involved in the sharing of birthday cakes or party bags etc. Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

Permissions for Acceptable Use Policy

Thank you to all who completed the 8 different permissions on Aladdin Connect. If you haven't completed the permissions for your child yet, please do so as soon as possible.

Board of Management

The members of the Board of Management give very generously of their time and skills to help manage the school on behalf of the Patron (Bishop Crean) for the benefit of all our students. The members of the current Board of Management (2019-2023) are as follows:

Marie Walsh (Chairperson, Patron's nominee)
Fr. Joe O'Keeffe (Patron's nominee)
Imelda Murphy (Treasurer, Community nominee)
Brendan Lyons (Parents' nominee)
Kate O'Driscoll (Parents' nominee)
Ger Lane (Community nominee)
Noelle Crowley (Teachers' nominee)
Margaret Howard (Principal, Secretary of the Board)

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