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Reference: Primary 7 (Revised end of year plans)

Dear Parents/Guardians

I write to you regarding our proposed end of year school events for the Primary 7 children.

Unfortunately, school has not returned as we had hoped and we haven't been able to enjoy some of the planned Primary 7 events: Spring Show, Easter Big Breakfast, End of Year Trip, Shared Education Celebration Event, Malachy Mc Geeney Blitz and Leaving Ceremony. Traditionally these occasions have been special events and although this year's Primary 7 children have been unable to participate in them, we are going to ensure that they have their own positive experiences and memories to take away with them as they transition into post primary education.

We are going to organise two events for the children before the end of June with a final celebration event in August. We would like to invite the P7 children to come into school next week in three separate groups to participate in elements of the cycling proficiency award (*weather permitting – we will change the dates if the weather is not suitable for outdoor activities*) in conjunction with Tullysaran O'Connell's GAC promoting: 'Mid-Summer Mile-A-Day Challenge'.

The girls will come in to school on Monday 15th June (one group from 9.30am-1pm) and the boys on Tuesday 16th June (two separate groups, as per text message, from 9.30am-1pm and 12noon-3pm). The children should arrive into school in their own clothes (*they can wear their hoodies or Tullysaran gear as we will take photographs and post them on our school website and O'Connell's Facebook page*) with their bicycles (*bicycles should be safety checked before the children come to school*), helmet and remember to follow social distancing guidelines. We will provide lunch and refreshments for the children. The children will complete some of the safety manoeuvres that are part of the cycling proficiency scheme although this will not qualify as completing the cycling proficiency award. It will be an opportunity for the children to see some of their friends and hopefully have a bit of fun.

We will then host a 'Virtual Leaving Assembly' via Zoom on Friday 19th June @10am. Each child will receive a prayer to read as part of our virtual celebration. This will be an opportunity for the children to all come together virtually. All pupils will also receive their reports on Friday 19th June.

We will then host a Primary 7 Leaving Party on Thursday 20th August (proposed date). The children will be invited into school to play games, sign t-shirts; with food and refreshments provided. All of the children will also be presented with a special award.

I realise that these arrangements will not replace the activities that the children would have enjoyed in normal times but hopefully they will provide them with some positive experiences of their final days in Our Lady's Primary School.

Please contact me if you have any queries or suggestions. Thank you.

Take care and all the best,

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