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Dear Parent / Guardian

We are really excited to announce that as part of the Sustrans Active School Travel Programme, we are holding a **DITCH THE DARK DAY** on **Friday 29th November 2019**. Children will be encouraged to wear brightly coloured clothing to highlight the importance of being seen in the dark. Aidan Harney and Oisin Curran, both past pupils of the school have kindly asked us to raise money through our non-uniform day for School Aid Romania. A small charge of £1 will apply to raise much needed money to deliver projects in Brasov. The two boys will be fundraising in school on this day also should any parents like to further support this cause.

This is the launch day of our Sustrans active travel initiative in which we are supporting our pupils to walk, scoot or cycle to school on a regular basis and to encourage other members of the family to get involved too.

This will also mark the beginning of our Journey to Santa campaign. Pupils will be given a sheet of stamp strips which they can mark off each day that they make an active journey to school. Once the sheet is complete, simply hand it to the class teacher and they will receive a certificate. As part of the DITCH THE DARK/ SUSTRANS launch day on the 29th November, we are encouraging as many pupils and their families if possible to walk, cycle or scoot to school on that day.

When you arrive at school, you will find that the **car-free car park will be closed for the entire day and will be set up with fun activities. We will have a breakfast served in the canteen; hotdogs and bacon rolls (a small charge of £1 will apply) from 8:40 am, and a Fairtrade stall set up with tea, coffee and Fairtrade produce.**

If you are unable to walk, scoot or cycle the whole journey from home, please consider a 'Park n Stride' option where you are encouraged to drive part of the journey to school. We would recommend that you park in the community centre.

We are encouraging ALL parents to walk/ cycle or scoot to school and everyone is welcome to stay for a warm breakfast.

Thank you for your continued support.

Noreen Hegarty

Tomás Mc Kee

Mrs. Noreen Hegarty (Travel Champion)

Mr. Tomás McKee (Principal)