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Dear Parent / Guardian,

Parents' Meeting: We are inviting all parents into the school on Wednesday 8th November @7pm. The main topics on the agenda will be Christmas Festivities & next year's 50th Anniversary of the opening of Clara N.S.

Achievements Wall: We encourage any child that partakes in any extracurricular activities to keep us updated on their achievements and if they receive any accolades, to take them in and show them to our whole school. They will then get their photo on the 'Achievement's Wall'.

Swimming: Our whole school (Juniors – 6th) will be starting swimming lessons after Christmas. We kindly ask parents to practise the changing and drying routine with your children in the intervening weeks.

Station Teaching: Our children are enjoying getting used to some changes in station teaching. This is helped by new equipment and extra teachers in the classroom some days each week. The small numbers in each classroom result in lots of small group lessons which is of immense help to the children involved.

Communion: The Sacrament of Communion will be celebrated on Saturday 18th of May 2024 at 11am in Clara church.

Break Times: We make every effort to get some active breaks outdoors each day. Having a coat and hat in each day makes this possible, even in the unpredictable months of winter.

Heritage in School: A heritage specialist is due to visit our school on Friday 20th October with the aim of giving the children first-hand experience of their heritage and local biodiversity.

Hallowe'en Break: Mid-Term Break will take place from Monday 30th October – Friday 3rd November inclusive. On Friday 27th October, we will be having some fun in school for Hallowe'en. The children are free to be creative in the way that they dress this day.

Kind Regards,

Matthew McArdle.