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COOLA POST PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

REOPENING

School will reopen for Transition Year students on **Friday 27th August 2021**, for 3rd year and 6th year students on **Monday 30th August 2021** and for 2nd, 5th year and LCA students on **Tuesday 31st August 2021**. (pending Dept. of Health & Dept. of Education advice).

FEES/BOOK SCHEME.

Fees for the year are as follows: -

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| 2nd, 3rd, 5th and 6th Years | Book Scheme, Diary, Insurance, – €92 – plus whatever photocopying levy is appropriate (€40 for one child or €70 per family). |
| Transition Year | €18 to cover diary and insurance plus whatever levy is appropriate. |
| Leaving Cert. Applied | €50 |

WAY2PAY

This system has been set up for you to pay the above fees. Please note you will receive a text message informing you when to pay. If you have any difficulties, please contact school reception on 071-9165365 or Way2Pay helpdesk on 061 203738. We encourage as many people as possible to use this system but if you are not in a position to do so, you can pay at reception by cash, card or by cheque (cheques should be made payable to **MSLETB**). We would appreciate if fees could be paid by **23rd July** and a receipt will be issued on payment. This will enable us to order books early and have them available for the start of the school year.

TIMETABLE/MORNING ASSEMBLY.

Monday to Thursday will be from 8.45am to 3.45pm (nine periods per day) and Friday will be from 8.45am to 1.15pm (six periods). There will be assembly each morning for all students from 8.45am to 9.00am. Therefore, it is extremely important that **all** students are on campus by **8.45am**.

UNIFORM

John Lavin (Ballymote), Mullaney's and Moffitt's (Sligo) supply the school uniform. The uniform consists of navy trousers, crested navy v-neck jumper, plain navy/black jacket (no logos), blue shirt (boys) or white blouse (girls), and a navy clip-on tie with green and yellow stripe. The footwear to be worn is **black shoes** or **navy/black deck shoes**. Students must wear runners for sports hall activities and relevant footwear must be worn for the AstroTurf facility. The O'Neill's school tracksuit bottoms are to be worn for PE classes or when students are representing school teams. These bottoms **cannot** be worn at any other time; students must attend school in their normal trousers and change into the tracksuit bottoms for PE. No other tracksuit bottoms are permissible but students have the option of wearing togs in PE either. It is a good idea to have your child's name on their uniform items, especially the jacket, jumper or sports top, as sometimes these items are left behind in classrooms. Please note that the crested O'Neill's sports top is an optional uniform item. It does **not** replace the jumper, but can be worn instead of the jacket. Hair should be within the natural colour range. Please note that non-compliance with uniform will result in demerits and/or suspensions. Please ensure that your child is in full uniform at all times.

TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS.

There are only enough parking places on campus for staff and therefore we are not able to accommodate students parking on campus. Parking is also prohibited for students in the school bus park, the two drop off bays at the school's road frontage, and outside private residences adjacent to the school. Parents calling to the school to collect their children are requested to park in the drop off bays along the road frontage. When collecting children for appointments, please try to collect them at bell changes or lunch breaks. It is essential that both entrances to the school are kept clear to allow staff to enter and exit the school campus. **Turning or parking at the main entrance, especially in the mornings and evenings, is strictly prohibited. Please use the bus park area for turning. At school finishing times, please do not park in or adjacent to neighbours' residential or farm gateways. It is advisable to allow buses to depart the school before you call to collect your child/children in the evenings as this will help minimise traffic congestion.**

When collecting children for appointments please try and collect them at the bell changes or lunch breaks. It is important to notify the office by note or by telephone call if you are collecting your child/children during the school day.

SCHOOL TRANSPORT

Please ensure that you have applied for school transport on www.buseireann.ie. Demand for places on buses will be very high so ensure that all requested information is furnished immediately to help with the processing of your application.

COMMUNICATION

Our main means of communication will be via text message with links to important information on our website www.coola.ie. In this regard it is important for you to familiarise yourself with the layout of our website for up to date information on Covid-19 regulations and other school policies.

Please be advised that from mid-July to mid-August, it may be difficult to get through to the school reception. Please leave a voicemail or email coolapps@msletb.ie if you need to contact the school during that time and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

The staff and management of Coola Post Primary School would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents for their help and support throughout the year, and wish all our students an enjoyable summer. We look forward to seeing them in August, refreshed and ready for the year ahead.

Yours sincerely,

Damien McGoldrick
PRINCIPAL