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Dear P7 Parent/s,

I hope this letter finds you well.

A reminder that you can login to the EA Admissions website from tomorrow to see where your child has been placed for secondary school next year. Some schools may also write or email directly to you with placement details and any transition days.

I hope to have a placement list on Monday and if you need to talk to me regarding placement – please ring me or email me at the email address above. I will be in contact with Year Heads on behalf of your child – however if you have any queries you can contact your child's secondary school directly. By this stage you will have met and discussed your child's report with their class teacher. You will receive your child's report and a parents copy of the Cognitive Abilities Test – CAT. This was taken before the pandemic and will provide you with more detail about their academic ability and expected progress.

Moving forward, the children have been very good since their return in March and they are looking forward to finishing school and their Confirmation on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June. We have picked this date so we can celebrate their time together at St. Patrick's, and myself and the staff are looking forward to the day.

We are still required to keep within guidelines and the present restrictions, however we are planning a number of events for our P7 pupils. We are hosting a Club/County Colours Day and a Skills Competition on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June to celebrate 50 years of Cumann na mBunscol – Primary Schools GAA. We plan to hold a BBQ/meal for them on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June and a fun day on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June. There may be a practice for Confirmation on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June for pupils only during school. These dates may be affected by transition days to secondary school however we will do our best to work around these. \* Changes will be communicated through Google Classroom. Unfortunately, parents are unable to attend events due to the present restrictions.

P7 Pupils may finish school on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June. In the meantime, I would ask you to continue being careful and stay within the restrictions, so that we all get to stay in class until the end of year and all can enjoy the pupil's Confirmation.

I would like to wish you and your family a safe and happy summer break and I am thankful that the children have enjoyed 2 uninterrupted terms in P7. Many of the skills that we have taught your child during both periods of remote learning will stand your child in good stead and give them a head start in secondary school.

To the 16 families who are leaving the school community this year for the last year - I would thank you for your support during your children's time at St. Patrick's PS and Nursery – and I wish you all continued success in the days ahead.

Many thanks

Brian Mc Gurk Principal

Adrian Doherty Class Teacher

Mrs. Mc Erlean Class Teacher.