

Kennedy Park National School

Newsletter – September 2016

Welcome back

On behalf of the staff and Board of Management, I would like to welcome all our pupils and families back after the summer holidays. A special welcome to all our new pupils and their parents who have recently joined us. We look forward to another happy and successful year and we ask the Lord to bless us in our work.

Opening of School Year Mass

A mass to celebrate the Opening of the School Year will take place on **Thursday 22nd September** at 11.30 am in Clonard Church. All parents are welcome to attend.

Enrolment for September 2017

We are now accepting applications for enrolment for September 2017. We accept enrolments from all areas and applications are now accepted from outside the Parish of Clonard also. Application forms are available from the school office.

Pupil Accident Insurance

Parents have an opportunity again this year to take out Pupil Accident Insurance, at a reasonable cost. There are two types of cover:-

1. School Activities only - €6.00
2. 24 hour cover (home & school) - €9.00

If you wish to avail of this insurance please return both fee and insurance form before Friday 30th September.

Parent and Toddler Group

The toddler group will run again this year on Thursday mornings from 9:15 to 10:30. The start date for this is Thursday 29th September.

All parents with toddlers are welcome to attend. There is no charge. If you are interested please leave your name with the secretary in the school office at 053-9123331.

Meeting with Teacher

Do come and talk to us – our door is always open. If there is something on your mind, please do not hesitate to call in and discuss same at the earliest opportunity. This is best done by calling the school office to make an appointment or sending a note to the teacher with your child.

School opening/closing times

School starts at 9.00 am and finishes at 1.45 pm for Junior/Senior Infants and 2.45 pm for all other pupils. Pupils are encouraged to be in their line at 9.00 am as arriving late disrupts the work of the class and impacts on your child's learning.

On wet mornings, children should **not** arrive before 8.50 am and should go directly to their classrooms. The school cannot take any responsibility for pupils arriving before 8.50 am or not collected at 2.45 pm.

Would parents please wait at the front of main building to collect pupils from 1st to 6th class. This makes exiting through infant yard much safer for all our pupils. I thank you for your co-operation.

Supported Learning

At Kennedy Park school we provide in class learning support where possible.

As part of our programme we regularly take pupils out of the class in groups to work with some of our S.E.N team. Should you wish to exclude your child from out of class tuition please contact Marian at the school office.

Parents' Council

The A.G.M. of our Parents' Council will take place in the G.P. room at Kennedy Park School on Wednesday 28th September at 7pm. Please attend if possible as our school very much appreciates the support of the parents.