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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Our first full week has gone very well, the children have settled in to the new building beautifully and are getting used to the new routines. As I mentioned before, we are having to be flexible as routines and procedures sometimes need adapting. Thank you for your patience.

#### Bishop John

On Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September, Bishop John will be celebrating Mass and blessing our new school building, alongside Fr. Ged. Mass will be celebrated at 11am.

As we have limited space, please email the School Office with the subject title SCHOOL BLESSING if you are interested in attending Mass, so we can gauge how much space we have. It would be wonderful to invite all parents to attend but that is impossible and I am very aware lots of parents are not available in the daytime. I would like to assure you that you will all be in our thoughts and prayers at Mass.

#### School meals on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September

Due to the visit from the Bishop, the school hall will be out of use at lunchtime. Children will be eating in their classrooms for this day only. School Grid will be altering the menu for Friday to make the meals more suitable for the classroom. If you have already pre-ordered, you may receive an email to notify you that the meal has been cancelled. This will then enable you to order from the new amended menu for Friday only.

#### Galliford Try Photographer

Galliford Try, the company who have built the new school, will be sending a photographer into school on 20<sup>th</sup> September to take photos of the school and of the Mass. They will use these photos to publicise their company and also send them to us to use on our website.

If you wish your child **NOT** to be photographed, please email the School Office with the subject title PHOTOGRAPHER.

#### Allergies

I would like to remind you that we are a Nut Free School. We do have children in school who have nut allergies. Please ensure your child does not bring in any snacks that contain nuts.

### Inhalers

We are currently in the process of updating our medical records. If your child suffers from asthma and requires an inhaler, please email the School Office with the subject title INHALER.

Once we have an up to date list, we will be sending home an Asthma Form for parents to complete.

### Data Collection Forms

Over the next few weeks we will be sending out Data Collection Forms. Please check the forms and send them back to the School Office. Even if the information is correct, we need to record the information as correct. This is an important document as it contains your contact details and medical information. We need up to date contact information in case of emergencies.

### Ordering school lunches

It is extremely important that parents pre-order their child's school dinner and complete any allergies within the School Grid System. We cannot guarantee that the class teacher will have time at morning registration to order meals. If you have not pre-ordered, your child is not guaranteed to have the meal of their choice. It is also very important to pay for the school meals in advance. This will avoid your child being served a basic meal.

### School Gate by the MUGA

I appreciate your patience when dropping off your children, as you understand their safeguarding is paramount. We have managed to organise staffing to ensure their safety, so from Monday the gate by the MUGA on Delamere Ave will be open from 8:45am and again at 3:15pm. We hope this helps as we are aware that parking around school is challenging to say the least.

### Reading Books

Your child will be bringing their Reading Book home today and their Reading Record Book. It is extremely important that children read as much as they can at home, at the very least 5 minutes a day. We are grateful for your support in this.

### Edshed and TTRS

Edshed and TTRS are up and running. You will find your child's passwords in their Reading Record Book.

### Outstanding Children

Before we broke up in July, Orla and Ria's dad sent me an email and some photos. We ran out of time to put them in the Friday letter, so I promised I would add them in the new school year.

The girls met a real lioness, Ella Toone, at Orla's U10s tournament, where Orla's team got to the semi-finals, Orla made some outstanding saves in a penalty shootout. Well done, Orla!

Ria played at a tournament with her team at Warrington U8s semi-finals. She scored some fantastic goals in each 15-minute games. In one game alone she scored a hat-trick. Amazing work, Ria!

Their dad went on to say he, 'couldn't be prouder of our lionesses.'

Well done, girls!



If your child has any photos of their achievements out of school, please email to the school office and we will do our best to put them into the Friday letter that week.

Have a wonderful weekend.

God Bless,

Mrs Noctor

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