**End of year newsletter – save this newsletter on your fridge please**

Thanks to all families for your good will and support during the year.

We say a special goodbye to our first classes who will be moving on to second class after the summer break. Two visitors for each child are invited to attend the graduation ceremony on Friday 24th June at 9.10am in the hall.

School closes/finishes for the summer on Wednesday 29th June at 11.40

We were delighted to meet our incoming Junior Infants and Early Starters on our recent Open Day. There are a few remaining places for the new school year. The current classes are having lots of opportunities to “meet and play” with their new classmates for next year’s class groups. They will all have some old friends with them too!

**Back to School Information**

**School reopens Tues 30th August at 9.00am for:**

**First Class**: 9.00am – 1.40pm

**Senior Infants**: 9.00am – 1.40pm

**Junior Infants:** 9.00 a.m. - Staggered finishing time for three weeks

All classes **start at 9.00am. All children to be supervised by parents until teacher collect.**

Senior Infants and First Classes will **finish at 1.40pm** every day, from day one.

Staggered day for Junior Infants for three weeks. See our website in late August.

Staggered day for Early Start for three weeks. See our website in late August.

**Uniforms**

* Navy jumpers/cardigans/trousers and tracksuits, white shirts and white polo shirts
* Crests (Iron or sew on) and ties available to buy from Jackie in the office
* Pinafores available in McAloons on Main St Finglas Village
* Velcro shoes and runners

**Books, stationery and supplies**

* We order everything direct to the school. €60 per child. Sibling discount.
* **Payment as soon as possible please**. Talk to Jackie if you would like to pay by the week. The office will be open for the first week in July and last week in August.

**Lunches**

* Free snack and lunch every day for Junior Infants to First Class
* Children to bring an empty lunch box/zipped lunch bag for left overs and wrappers
* No other food to be brought into school
* Menu will be given out in the first week and is updated from time to time
* Milk and water available for every child (NO OTHER DRINKS ALLOWED)
* If your child is on a medical diet, please let us know

**Communication**

* Brief chats with class teachers at pick-up time after school
* Messages can be taken by Olwen or Ms O Reilly in the morning
* Our school website [www.stbrigidsinfantschool.ie](http://www.stbrigidsinfantschool.ie) is regularly updated
* Aladdin text reminders to families about half-days etc. Please check that all 3 emergency phone numbers are still valid in September.
* The School Completion Programme attendance monitor follows up EVERY UNEXPLAINED ABSENCE with a phone call or text message.
* ***Please phone/email the office every morning before 9.30 if your child is absent.***
* **School email:** [**info@stbrigidsinfantschool.ie**](mailto:info@stbrigidsinfantschool.ie)
* **School landline: 01-834 8770 or 01-856 9760**
* Home School Community Liaison WhatsApp 086 370 5773.
* Olwen (Infant School) and Jill (St Fergal’s and St Brigid’s Girls) work with parents of our pupils and are available to listen and support.
* Bring any questions or concerns directly to the attention of the class teacher by requesting a phone call or a meeting in the school.
* Class Dojo is used for photos, videos, homework, quick messages between teacher and parent. Please accept the invitation to join Class Dojo. If you need help, ask us.
* Teachers will read and update Class Dojo directly after home time.

Do not expect a response during the school day - teachers will be teaching.

Do not expect a response at night time - teachers will have disconnected!

* Our Acceptable Use policy, Communication policy and other school policies of interest are available on our website. Please read them.
* A list of next year’s rooms and teachers is available to view on our website and on the Parents’ Noticeboard in the entrance alley.
* Our school email will be monitored during the holidays for urgent messages

**With very best wishes for a safe, happy and active summer to all our children and families from everyone in our school community - Board of Management, principal and teachers, SNAs, secretary, caretaker and cleaners.**