

#### **Presentation Secondary School**

Lios Tuathail Co. Chiarraí Listowel Co. Kerry

22<sup>nd</sup> October 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope that you and your family are safe and well at this time. It is indeed a challenging time for everyone.

Rest assured that we are implementing our COVID Response Plan very carefully. Our COVID Response Team meet on a regular basis to review our practices.

#### **Midterm Communication with parents and guardians**

Your daughter's Midterm Report will be available on eportal on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November. It offers a snap shot of her progress so far this year. Please contact the office if you do not have your login details.

We strongly encourage you to contact us if you have any concerns

Office number: 068 21452 (office hours 8.30-5pm)

Principal's Work mobile Eileen Kennelly 086 7005585 Deputy Principal's work mobile Marguerite Linnane 087 4472916

Lauren O'Leary replaces Catherine Kennedy as Year Head to First Years

Áine Ní Chuáin replaces Sinead Breen as Year Head to Second Years

# <u>Updated Year Head Team 2020-2021</u>

First Years: Lauren O'Leary Second Years: Áine Ní Chuáin Third Years: Denise Galvin Transition Year: Norma Dowling Fifth Years: Eileen Counihan Sixth Years: Muireann O'Sullivan lauren.oleary@preslistowel.ie aine.nichuain@preslistowel.ie denise.galvin@preslistowel.ie norma.dowling@preslistowel.ie eileen.counihan@preslistowel.ie muireann.osullivan@preslistowel.ie



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## The Student Support Team

The Student Support Team in the school is available to guide and assist all students, The Guidance Counsellor is available to meet with students individually. We are part of a three year Jigsaw 'One Good School Initiative'. The Wellbeing of staff and students forms the focus of the project. Jigsaw are a wonderful organisation and do excellent work with students.

## The New School App

We are in the process of introducing a School App. Sinead Breen and our School App Team with be launching the App after the Midterm.

The purpose of the App is to give us all a means to communicate more effectively. From a parent perspective, student absence, late arrivals and leaving early will be communicated with us via the App.

#### **Teaching and Learning**

Your daughter will be very familiar with Microsoft Teams. She can contact her individual teachers directly on Teams. Teachers are putting the classwork and homework from every class on Teams.

You can also email any teacher. All of the staff emails are the same for example my email address is eileen.kennelly@preslistowel.ie

You can contact your daughter's teacher directly by ringing the office (office hours 8.30-5pm) and requesting that the teacher you wish to speak to rings you.

#### **Parent Teacher Meetings 2002-2021**

Due to the COVID restrictions there will no Parent Teacher Meetings taking place this term.

# Monday 7th December 2020

Each school has to be open for 167 days each academic year. We returned to school on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> August, a day earlier, which leaves us on 168 days and with a day to take off. The school will be closed for staff and students on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December.

#### Parents' Association Meeting

There will be a meeting of the Parents' Association on Zoom after the Midterm. Carmel Kelly is the Chairperson of the parents Association. I will be in touch after Midterm.



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## The Presentation Secondary School Listowel Junior Cycle Certificate 2020

We are in the process of presenting 'The Presentation Secondary School Listowel Junior Cycle Certificate 2020' individually to the class of Third Year 2019-2020. We wish to congratulate all of the girls on their achievements

# The Board of Management Agreed Report

Please note that the Board of Management Agreed Report is posted on the school website after each Board meeting.

#### **COVID** compliant Lunch time activities

We have a number of activities going on at lunch time, Music sessions for First Years, Book Club for First Years, Basketball and Badminton for individual years groups.

# **Texting**

As you are aware the texting service is an excellent method of communicating with home in relation to urgent news and reminder of meetings. It is therefore very important if you have changed your mobile number to inform the office immediately.

## Progression to career options after Leaving Cert Information Evening

The Progression to Career Options after Leaving Cert Information Evening 2020 (Previously called the CAO Information Evening) for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Year parents and students will take place in November.

The meeting will take place on Zoom. Details will be shared with you after Midterm.

#### **Social Media Platforms**

Presentation Secondary School has various Social Media platforms which you can follow us on and keep up to date with news and events.

Our website is www.presentationsecondarylistowel.ie

Twitter account @pressec\_pss

You can find us on Facebook under @PresSecListowel. We would appreciate a like, a follow or even a look at the website.



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# **School Payments**

The Way2Pay System has been very effective in assisting parents to make payments. If you have any queries regarding payments please speak to me. Your financial support of the school is much appreciated.

Thank you for your support. Please contact me or any of the staff if you have any concerns regarding your daughter.

Kind wishes

Eileen Kennelly eileen.kennelly@preslistowel.ie

# Presentation Secondary School Board of Management 2019-2022

Trustee Nominees
Chairperson: Mr. Shay Downes
Ms. Mary Frances Behan
Marie O'Connor
Mr. Ed Hayes

Parents' Association Ms. Debbie Hannan Ms Elaine Frizell

Staff

Ms. Norma Dowling Ms. Margarte Daly