



Meanscoil na Toirbhirte

**Lios Tuathail
Co. Chiarraí**

Presentation Secondary School

**Listowel
Co. Kerry**

18th November 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope that you and your family are safe and well at this time.

I wish to thank you and your daughter(s) for the cooperation that we have received since the school opened on Monday 30th August.

We continue to be vigilant every day regarding our COVID procedures. With patience and time please God this challenging phase of our lives will pass.

Presentation Day 21st November 2020

Since 2014 we have celebrated Presentation Day in November with our school Mass in the Parish church at the 11.30am Sunday Mass.

This year our school community will attend Mass online on Friday morning 20th November at 10.30am.

Attendance at school

We wish to be very sensitive to particular situations but can we strongly encourage you to ensure that your daughter attends school on a daily basis.

Of course if your daughter is unwell we are advised to inform you to keep her at home until she recovers.

We value the importance of staying connected. Microsoft Teams is a wonderful way for students to connect with their teachers and with each other.

If you have any concerns about your daughter please speak to us.

The School App

Our new school app launched on Monday, November 16th. The app has many features, most importantly it allows parents/guardians to submit absent and permission to leave early forms directly to the school through the app.



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Therefore we are asking all parents/guardians to communicate their daughter's absence/leaving school early via the school app

There has been a great uptake so far but we encourage all parents/guardians to download the app.

All of the parents/guardians who have the app downloaded before the end of November will be entered into a raffle to win one of six one4all* vouchers, with one winner from each year group. The app can be found in the App Store by searching 'Pres Listowel' or 'Preslistowel' with no space on certain phones.

Monday 7th December 2020

The school will be closed for staff and students on Monday 7th December.

February 2021

It is our intention to go ahead with the Third and Sixth Year Mock Exams before the Midterm Break, 4th-12th February 2021

The Mock Exams cost in the region of €100 per student (depending on the student's choice of subjects and levels). Each student must pay for their Mock Exams. The school does not cover the cost.

We will be informing students in the coming weeks about the cost of their individual exams.

The House Exams will go ahead for First/Second/Fifth Years and Transition Years from Tuesday 9th February to Friday 12th February.

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.

The Board of Management will be inviting the Parents' Association and the Student Council to their online meeting in the coming weeks.

Year Head Team 2020-2021

Please note the contact details of your daughter's Year Head.

First Years: Lauren O'Leary
Second Years: Áine Ní Chuáin

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Third Years: Denise Galvin	denise.galvin@preslistowel.ie
Transition Year: Norma Dowling	norma.dowling@preslistowel.ie
Fifth Years: Eileen Counihan	eileen.counihan@preslistowel.ie
Sixth Years: Muireann O'Sullivan	muireann.osullivan@preslistowel.ie

Progression (career options) after Leaving Cert

Our Guidance Counsellor, Grace Titus, will hold a Zoom audio meeting with the parents/guardians/students of Fifth and Sixth Year on Thursday 26th November at 4pm.

The Zoom link will be shared with you before Thursday 26th.

The Session will be recorded and will be available on the school website and social media platforms.

Senior Options Information Process 2020-21

This process involves the Third Years and the Transition Years. Students will be deciding on their options for September 2021.

Students/parents/guardians will be making informed decisions about what pathway they wish to choose for 2021-2022.

Third Year students will be choosing one of the following

- ✚ Transition Year
- ✚ Fifth Year
- ✚ Leaving Cert Applied
- ✚ 5th Year with two extra modules called The Leaving Cert Vocational Programmes

Transition Years will be choosing one of the following

- ✚ Fifth Year
- ✚ Leaving Cert Applied
- ✚ 5th Year with two extra modules called The Leaving Cert Vocational Programmes

The Guidance Counsellor, Grace Titus, The Programmes Coordinator, Norma Dowling and the LCVP Teacher Teresa Culhane will provide students/parents/guardians with power point presentations that will be available on the app/website on Monday 30th November

Following on from those presentations we will hold a Zoom audio meeting with you **at 4pm on Wednesday 2nd December** to explain the process and procedures to students/parents/guardians.



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The Guidance Counsellor, Programmes Coordinator, LCVP Teacher and all LC subject teachers will meet with Third and Transition Year students to answer any questions they may have about Senior Cycle Options.

School Payments

The Way 2 Pay 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.

Kind wishes

Eileen Kennelly

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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



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