Scoil Naomh Aingeal, Caisleán a' Bharraigh, Co. Mhaigheo



St. Angela's Primary School The Lawn, Castlebar, Co. Mayo Tel. No. 094-9022902

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Dia daoibh go léir agus fáilte romhaibh go léir ar ais. I hope you all enjoyed the summer holidays and I wish you well for the coming year. We welcome in a particular way all the new students who have joined us this year.

I wish to advise parents who arranged <u>Personal Accident Insurance</u> on behalf of their children last year that this insurance has now expired. Should you wish to continue the cover, or take cover for the first time, forms are available from the School Secretary. Insurance Forms <u>cannot</u> be accepted after **Friday**, **30**th **September**.

Financial assistance for school books is available for parents who have a medical card for their daughter/s (Junior Infants to 2nd class). Please contact the School Secretary for further information.

Already there are lots of exciting events and opportunities planned for this term here in St Angela's. Our 6th classes will be curating an exhibition in the Linenhall entitled 'The Captivating Eye' on Thursday, October 20th. Third and Fourth Class are booked in for swimming lessons. On the sporting front, hurling coaches from Castlebar Mitchels will facilitate a hurling programme here this term and we also plan to host coaches from the Mayo Sports Partnership 'Goal to Work' training programme. Plans are underway to begin refurbishing our ICT room. We remind you that our Parents' Association are partaking in the Tesco tokens scheme and they have asked you and your friends to drop your tokens in the St Angela's tube if shopping in Tesco.

To wish our Mayo footballers well in Croke Park on Sunday September 18th we will have a Mayo Day here on Friday 16th. Children can dress up in our county colours of Green & Red and please bear in mind that nobody should be under pressure to buy anything new. Any suitable green and red items of clothing are welcome on the day.

We have a very special visitor here tomorrow, Tuesday 6th @ 1 pm. Nicholas Quinn, our own Olympian is coming to regale us with tales of his fantastic exploits in Rio. Táimid fíor bhródúil as!

This term our Learning Support/Resource team will continue to work very closely with class teachers to implement various initiatives in classes to continue to maintain and build further on our high standards here in St Angela's. These sessions will provide more focused teaching and learning to optimise and enrich your child's learning experience here. **Parent/Teacher meetings** are scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday October 18th and 19th.

Once again we remind you that we are obliged to forward names of pupils who are **absent from school for 20 days or more to Túsla.** We ask your co-operation

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when planning family breaks and holidays to avoid disrupting your children's school term and education. Our school calendar is included below.

Month/s	Dates to remember	Closure	
October / November	Monday, 31 st October to Friday, 4 th November	Mid Term Break	
December / January	Friday, 23 rd December '16 to Friday, 6 th January '17	Christmas Break	
February	Thursday, 23 rd & Friday, 24 th	Mid Term Break	
March	Friday, 17 th	St. Patrick's Day	
April	Monday, 10 th to Friday, 21st	Easter Break	
May	Monday, 1st	Mid Term Break	
June	Friday, 2 nd & Monday, 5 th	Closure & Bank Holiday	
June	Wednesday, 28th	Close for Summer Holidays	

We remind you that as per the boil water notice from Irish Water and Mayo County Council that all pupils are advised to make the necessary precautions to bring their own water and drinks to school. School water is not drinkable.

Finally, school fees for Art and Craft & Photocopying are due to your teacher at the moment. These monies enable the teachers to engage the children in fun learning activities suited to their needs and interests and are vitally important to us all here.

Bail ó Dhia orainn go léir agus ar an obair dar ndóigh! And of course, Maigh Eo Abú!

Le gach dea-ghuí, Mise, le meas,		
Nessa Maloney Príomhoide		
Dated:		