26th September 2018

Dear Parents,

**Macmillan Coffee Morning**

This Friday, 28th September, we will be holding a coffee and cake morning in the school hall from 8:30am to raise funds for Macmillan Nurses. This is always a great occasion where our school community comes together to support a really worthy cause.

We would welcome any and all donations of cakes. You can send your cakes in to school from tomorrow, Thursday.

**School Photos**

Next Wednesday, 3rd October, the photographer is in school to take individual photographs of the children. The children always look smart in their school uniforms, but I know some parents like to make that extra effort on the day of school photos. Any parents who would like a photo of any pre-school children with their brothers or sisters in this school should come to the school office between 8:30am and 8:55am

**Attendance and Punctuality**

Attendance has generally been really positive so far this year but unfortunately we are seeing too many children arriving late for school. Lessons for all children begin immediately after registration every day and those children arriving late are missing out on valuable learning time and they are disturbing the learning of other children. Please do everything you can to help your child arrive at school on time. Breakfast club is also available from 8am each morning.

I would like to remind parents that holidays will not be authorised for children during term time. Unauthorised absences may be subject to a fine by the local authority with more serious consequences for repeated absences.

**Half Term**

The school year has started off really well with the children enjoying many trips, visitors and after school clubs. We are already coming to the end of the fourth week of the term and I am writing to let you know details for the end of this half term! School closes for half term at 3pm on Friday 19th October and opens again at 8:55am on Monday 29th October. On the final day of half term children have the option to wear their own choice of clothes for a donation of £1 towards school funds and charity.

**Other Dates for your Diary**

Parents evening will be held in the school hall on Tuesday 6th November from 3:15pm. Suggested appointment times will be sent home with your child nearer the time.

Thanking you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Ray Moloney