



Scoil Phobail Beál Átha h-Amhnais

BALLYHAUNIS COMMUNITY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardian/Student,

I hope you are having a pleasant summer.

I am aware that the school holidays just started a few short weeks ago but already attention has turned to the return to school later this summer. Please see the school calendar attached and the schedule for the students return to school. These dates are subject to change should the public health advice prevailing at the time require us to do so.

I wish to remind you that the “Admin Fee” which covers locker rental, student insurance, printing allowance and also the Microsoft Licences is now due and can be paid on the way2pay system. Invoices will issue from July 11th. The student insurance is 24/7 cover for the year both in and out of school. The MS Licence allows students to download the MS suite of Apps to their device and gives them access to the School’s digital Teaching & Learning platform. I understand families are facing significant costs at this time but I feel that the Admin Fee represents good value for money.

I’m very aware that many parents/guardians are already preparing for the return to school. I wish to remind everyone that the school requires students to wear plain black shoes. Shoes bearing brand logos or other markings are not acceptable. Please be mindful of this as you purchase shoes for the new school year as we do not want to parents/guardians to incur unnecessary costs.

I also wish to remind students that facial piercings are not permitted in school. This is a Health & Safety measure and applies to all students. Students who choose to get facial piercings over the summer holidays must understand that they have to be removed before they return to school.

Please enjoy the remainder of the summer holidays!

David McDonagh

Principal