

**TY STUDENTS 2020/2021**

June 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As we reach the end of another academic year I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your support throughout the year. It has been a year we will not forget. Before and during lockdown was another great year for us here in Presentation with lots of achievements and celebrations and great credit is due to the girls and their teachers.

The whole school community students & teachers have gone above and beyond what is expected from remote learning and teaching not to mention the work of all of the ancillary staff.

Every day it makes me proud to be leading a school of 832 students and a staff of 70 odd. They have been exemplary, teachers have been superb and so too have students who have logged on in great numbers everyday.

Students and teachers miss the school environment too, but from online assemblies I have seen smiling faces looking back at me, they will and always do their best always which is our living motto In PSS Wexford. I am looking forward to seeing all staff and students back in the building when we can.

It is expected that detailed planning will take place over the summer months at both national and individual school level in preparation for the re-opening of schools for the 2020/2021 academic year. It is too early to give any definite information as to what the arrangements will be to ensure the health and safety of every member of the school community. I shall keep you informed of developments in this area over the coming months.

I wish to thank all of you most sincerely for your dedication, positivity, diligence, hard work and generosity which make our school such a wonderful place to be each day. It is great to see that our students continue to maintain extremely high academic standards while at the same time actively participating in various extra-curricular activities. This balance is so important in everyone’s life.

Please also find on our website:

Please find enclosed:-

* Work Experience Pack from T.Y. Coordinator (to follow end of June).
* Notification form re Student Health Issue(s) – please only complete and return the form if there are any changes.
* T.Y. Book List for next year – on our website
* School Calendar – on our website
* Essential of School Uniform – including PE Uniform – on our website

Parents are asked to pay the following monies on the online payment system before Friday 16th August. Any monies not paid by then will be collected in school on Friday morning, 23rd August.

In the interest of clarity and efficiency, the VSWare on-line payment system is the preferred method of payment. All payments made on-line are visible to the parent at any time which provides a better record of payments made. There are no bank charges and most of the fees paid by this method are at a reduced rate. You will find instructions for using the VSWare on-line payment system on our website under the “Information for Parents” tab.

**TY Payments**

The fee for Transition Year for 2020/2021 is €550, which includes TY Portfolio folder, Workshops, Trips and Activities. The fee also includes the overnight stay in Glendalough and the four day/three night Activity Trip to Carlingford, Co. Louth.

As you can appreciate, the running of the TY Programme is a huge financial investment on behalf of the school and assisted by parental TY Fees. However due to the cost of Workshops and Trips away it is essential that fees are paid. If a financial issue exists regarding TY Fees and provision of a payment plan would help, please contact the school. Non payment of fees may result in non-attendance on TY Trips such as the Carlingford Activity Trip.

The cost of Personal Accident 24 hour Insurance Cover will be covered by the school for this academic year.

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| **School Fees** | **Amount payable on-line** | **Amount payable in cash** |
| Parent Contribution  Locker  School Journal  Balance of TY fee | €100 per family  €25.00  €20.00  €310.00 (Option of 2 instalments (i) July 2020 & (ii) October 2020) | €100 per family  €30.00  €25.00  €320.00 (Option of 2 instalments (i) July 2020 & (ii) October 2020) |

**N.B. Total TY Fee is €560 - €250 deposit already paid**

(Any student who has not paid the initial deposit of €250.00 can they please do so, especially late applicants.)

***Re-Opening Date for TY Students* FRIDAY 28th AUGUST 2020 (9am-10.00am)**

I am very proud of the school and in particular, of the very many achievements of our students, both past and present, and I am certain that these achievements are in no small way due to the co-operation and support of parents. I want to take this opportunity to acknowledge and to thank you once again for your ongoing support as we work together for the good of all students here in Presentation. For now, I wish all of our school community as much joy, good health as we head into what will hopefully be a wonderful summer, given everything that is happening.

Yours sincerely,



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William Ryan

Principal

