**Scoil Bhríde**

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25th September 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians

**Please read both sides!!!!!**

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**Dance lessons for all pupils**

 **A 6-week course of dance classes for all pupils with a specialist instructor starts on October 3rd.** Payment of 5 Euro from each pupil is now due. Thank you.

**School Assembly**

Well done to all our pupils who received well done awards over the last month for great lining up, working hard, following teacher instructions, following the school rules, playing fair and nice in our school by showing kindness, compassion, respect, saying sorry and offering forgiveness. Congratulations to the following pupils who were pulled out of our “Well Done Award Prize Draw” *Erin – Senior Infants, Jamie – 1st class, Reece – 3rd class, Emily – 5th class*

**Swimming**

**A six-week course of swimming classes in K-Leisure Athy for 5th class starts on September 18th.** Details regarding payment from parents issued last week

A six-week course of swimming in K-Leisure Athy for all other senior classes will start as follows:

3rd class – November 6th 2024

6th class – January 15th 2025

4th class – March 5th 2025

**School prefects**

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To them all we say well done and Thank you.

Thank you also parents, as according to the Irish Constitution, you are the primary educator and carer of your child. We are delighted to assist you in that journey!

**Dates for your diary**

* **Welcome back to school mass – October 8th** @ 11:30am in School Hall
* School Photographer – **October 1st 2024**
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* Jr and Sr infants field trip to Riverbank Theatre Newbridge – October 9th
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