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Dear Parents & Guardians,

It is hard to believe that we are facing into November already. It has been a very busy and successful half-term and has finished on a high note with our Musical "Into the Woods" being a runaway success. As we return for the rest of the term there are a number of changes and updates I wish to bring to your attention.

The three year term of office of the present Board of Management has come to an end and I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank *Ms. Martina Kelly & Mr. Barty O'Connor* for their service on the Board on behalf of parents since 2014.

2017-2020 Board of Management: We received two nominations for Parent representatives for the 2017-2020 Board of Management. Therefore, there is no need to have an election and the two parents nominated: *Ms. Colette Ging*, Pound Lane, Tinahely, and *Mr. Micheál Mahon*, Ballypreacus, Bunclody, are deemed elected. I wish to thank them for their willingness to go forward for election and their agreement to serve on the Board.

Orchestra Fees Reminder: Parents are asked to have orchestra fees paid to the school as soon as possible because we cannot begin rehearsals until we have received payment from all members.

Driving on School Grounds: In the interest of health and safety parents are **again reminded not to come in on the school grounds to drop off or collect students.** A small number of parents continue to engage in very dangerous behaviour both inside and outside the gate. I repeat the message sent to all families by App or Text: Students must be dropped outside the gate **on the school side of the road.** As the mornings and evenings get darker safe driving in the vicinity of the school is extremely important.

Whole-staff in-service for the rollout of the new Junior Cycle will take place on **Monday, 27th November** next. Therefore there will be **no school** for students on that day.

Enrolment for next year takes place on Thursday, 16th November 2017. Please see notice enclosed.

Finally a revised and updated calendar has been included for your information. Please keep safe for reference throughout the rest of the school year.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Yours sincerely,

Frances Threadgold,
Principal.

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