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Dear Parents

Mid Term Break / Halloween Disco
I want to wish all our school community, especially our students, a well earned, restful Mid Term Break. We hope the children don't eat too many sweets and listen to their parents' and teachers' advice when it comes to fireworks and things like that. We look forward to welcoming the children back on the 2nd of November.

A reminder that there is a Parents'Association ran disco this evening in the Pavilion at 6pm - every cent raised tonight goes to the betterment of the school. Yesterday, we (finally) took delivery of the surface for the top half of the Sensory Garden-this will hopefully be laid over the mid term break. We have already purchased equipment.

We are going to to turn a contaminated waste area into an area where children can play, express themselves and seek some quiet time. And we are doing it ourselves, as a school community. We could not do this without the help of parents and especially the Parents' Association.

Thank you to the parents that have volunteered to help with the disco this evening; the PA ask that you arrive at 5:45pm. Doors will open at 6pm so the PA kindly ask only those volunteering to arrive early.

All Souls' Day
Speaking of the 2nd of November, we will be attending Mass on this day to celebrate All Souls' Day. November is a very special month where we take time to remember those that have gone before us.

Fr Robert has kindly agreed to say a few words to the Confirmation candidates afterwards. We will be sending forms to these children shortly after the Mid Term Break regarding enrolling in the process of receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. It is not something to be taken lightly and I would encourage all parents to speak to their child about what it means to them to receive the Holy Spirit into their lives. Students intending to make their Confirmation should also have their Saint's name picked.

Nasal Vaccine
For those parents that have signed their children up, there will be nasal vaccines taking place in the school on the 4th of November. As this is strictly regulated, only children who have signed up can avail of the service. Registration is now closed.

Authors
We were pleased to welcome two authors to the school this week who read excerpts form various books and told stories. Reading is a lifelong journey and, indeed, a life skill. We'd encourage all our children, parents, staff etc to read and then read some more.

Ambassadors
We were also humbled to welcome two special guests to today's reading. Her Excellency Wendy Dorman-Smith and His Excellency Davor Vidis, Irish Ambassador to Croatia and Croatian Ambassador to Ireland, joined us and fielded questions from a very curious student group.

And Finally
I'm aware that there may be some children leaving us over the course of the Mid Term Break from the Imperial Hotel. We are incredibly proud of all our students and will continue to be of assistance in any way we can. Parents can get in touch over the midterm via email and we will endeavour to answer as soon as possible.

Thanks

Brian