## Holy Family N.S. - Tubbercurry - Co. Sligo



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Dear parents and guardians,

We look forward to welcoming our new infants to Holy Family NS on Wednesday August 30<sup>th</sup>

Children in Junior Infants enter the school by **the rear door**. We invite you to bring your child to their new class on **Wednesday 30**<sup>th</sup> from **9.15** am. This gives the rest of the children time to go to their classes.

Ms Gordon will be the Junior Infant class teacher this year and she will be there to meet the children.

We recommend you bring the child to their table, let them know you will be back to collect them later and leave the room by 9.30. Children sometimes cry on their first day but once they start playing with their new friends and talk to their teacher they settle down.

Children in Junior Infants will go home at 12 for the first two weeks. This helps to get them used to their new school and class. Please wait at the front gate, at home time, and the teacher will bring the children out to you.

Children should bring a small snack for their break. We encourage healthy eating so children should bring healthy snacks and drinks to school.

A reminder our school uniform is grey skirt/trousers, white polo shirt/shirt and maroon jumper. Please label all your child's belongings.

School tracksuits can be purchased in Gillespie Sport, Tubbercurry. School tracksuits are worn on PE days and for trips.

On Thursday Ms Gordon will meet her class at the front of the school at 9am. She will walk the children to their class. Other staff will also be available to make sure they get safely to their class safely!

School starts at 9 am for all classes. The infant school day is shorter than the school day for other pupils. Children in Junior and Senior Infants go home at 1.40 each day.

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In our school we use Textaparent to message parent by text. We need to have a mobile number that you use for this. We also need an Irish mobile phone number. Please email <u>secretaryholyfamilyns@gmail.com</u> if you have changed your mobile number.

In our school we use the Aladdin system as our online book of school attendance. We can also send emails from this system. We need an up to date email for you to make certain you can receive the email.

This year the Department of Education has provided each school with money to buy books and copies for children. We have received 96 Euro for every child who was in our school last year. **The books and copies belong to the school**. If the books are lost parents will have to replace them. Please see information attached about the Free Book Scheme and also information about what your child needs when they return to school.

School lunches start for all pupils on **Monday September 11th**. We will send you home information about school lunches when your child starts school.

We look forward to meeting you all on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup>.

Please contact me at <u>principalholyfamilyns@gmail.com</u> if you have any questions.

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