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Welcome Back!

Dear Parent,

Welcome back to the new school year. We hope that you had an enjoyable summer and that the children are all ready to return to an exciting new year. It has been lovely to see and catch up with the children and hear about their holidays.

As you can see during the last few weeks in August progress has been made with our new build. The demolition contractor is currently on site and work has commenced on removing the old buildings and mobiles to make way for our new school. Over the coming weeks and months, we will continue to keep you informed about progress and developments on site. We can look forward to having a First Sod-cutting Event once we move into the construction phase.



This year we will continue to participate in the “Sustrans Active Travel School Programme”. An initiative which enables schools to provide a programme of activities which aims to get more children walking, cycling and scooting to school. After a very successful first year we hope to build on this through this school year. Our Active Travel School Champion for the initiative is Mrs Carey.

I am also pleased to be able to confirm the continuation of the Extended Schools’ Programme which has allowed us to run a variety of after-school clubs and activities over a number of years. This year, as well as the familiar clubs and activities such as football, dance and Jo-Jingles, our plans include a school counselling service for pupils and parents through Family Works NI. This is an

exciting new endeavour for us and one which we hope will benefit all who utilise the service. There will be further information about the counselling service in the weeks ahead.

This year we have had a few changes in classroom locations and parents should note that our 2-3pm Bus club will be based in Block 7 beside the Nursery.

As with last year, you can keep up to date with all school activities, events and news by using our Facebook page (Braidside Integrated Primary School). Additionally, we hope to launch our new website during September 2018 and will inform you when that is available.

We hope all the children enjoy these first few days back to school and settle well in their new classes. As ever it will be a busy year!

Thanks for your interest.

Yours faithfully,

J McAuley
Principal.