



Dear Parents/Guardians,

17 January 2012

It has come to our attention that some children are not arriving at school for school opening time of 9.10a.m. Although school doors remain open till 9.30 a.m., children arriving at this time have actually missed an important 20 minutes of the school day when social interaction, homework correction and discussion, one to one reading, etc. takes place. It is vital that your child doesn't miss out on any of these, so we are requesting that ALL children, from First class up, be in the line up in the yard for teacher collection at 9.10 a.m. Anyone arriving after this time must have a note of explanation for the teacher in the homework journal. Anyone arriving after 9.30, when the school doors are closed, must not send the child in to school unaccompanied, but must sign the LATE BOOK with the explanation (Bus children usually arrive on time).

We have also noticed that some children are not wearing appropriate clothing on P.E day. It is very important that the appropriate **footwear**, in particular, is worn. Failing this, children will not, for safety reasons, be allowed to participate in some parts of the P.E. lesson.

We are delighted to have organised some Extra Curricular Activities (ECAs) which should begin next week or the week after. We are currently trying to organise a supervisor to be in place for the period of the ECA (usually one hour), as a contact person on the premises in the event of an emergency.

The classes currently being planned are:

- Monday:** **Chess** (already up and running with Bernie Stokes)  
**Art** Jnr. Infants to 2<sup>nd</sup> (teacher Mollaidh)  
**Guitar** 2<sup>nd</sup> Class up (exceptions may be accepted depending on the size of the class) (outside teacher, Sean Kelly)
- Tuesday:** **Yoga** for Infants after 1.50 p.m. (Mum Emma Locke)  
**French** for Infants after 1.50 p.m (outside teacher Loic Le Lay)  
**GAA** 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> class (teacher Conor)  
**Yoga & French** may also be offered at 2.50p.m.
- Thursday:** **English Language** for families (teacher Edel)  
**Soccer** 2<sup>nd</sup> class up (teacher Emmett)

More detailed information about these classes will be available shortly.

#### **After School Athletics:**

A slot for after-school athletics at the track in Shoreline, Charlesland has been booked for Greystones Educate Together on **Tuesdays from 4-5pm**. The programme will run alongside the school calendar, with the first term starting **Tuesday Jan 31 – March 27**. For this **8-week term, the total cost will be €20 per child**. There will be 2 or 3 instructor-lead groups of 10-15 children per group. Activities will include: High Jump, Hurdles, Javelin, Long Jump, Shot Putt, Relay Races and more. To register your child's name for our school's group programme, please contact Karyn Jones on 087 627 7607 or [karyn\\_a\\_jones@yahoo.ie](mailto:karyn_a_jones@yahoo.ie) before Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January. The registration form can also be downloaded from the school website under Bulletin Board.