Dear Parent,

I would like to begin by welcoming everybody to the school and especially any "new" parents. Unfortunately, due to current Covid restrictions we are unable to hold our traditional "open afternoon" this term where we would welcome you and your child to the school as a group. As mentioned by text last week we would hope to be able to offer you and your child the opportunity to visit the school before the summer holidays to have a look around and become familiar with the place, if you so wish. Further information on this in the coming weeks, subject to HSE advice. The following are some of the points of information which we hope is of some help at this time.

- Our school is planning to re-open after the summer holidays on Thurs Aug 26th.
- For the first 2 weeks the Junior Infant children will finish at 12 noon each day as they settle in to school.
- The normal Junior Infant school day is from 9 a.m to 1.40 p.m.
- Miss Catherine Long will be the Junior Infant class teacher.
- Your child's booklist will be available shortly. In Scoil Íosagáin we bulk order the items and put a pack together for each child of all the items needed. To avail of this option you do not need to do anything. We will prepare it for you and let you know when it can be collected from the school and paid for. The price will be approx €70 but an exact price will be given before collection. If you would prefer to do your own buying of the items on the booklist please let us know and we won't order in the school for you. You can wait until the booklist is published to decide which option you would prefer.
- In Scoil Íosagáin the children have the **option** of wearing the school tracksuit everyday if they wish (with a plain white polo shirt underneath) **or** the full uniform can be worn. Uniforms available from Fennessys in Limerick or Ryan's in Ballylanders. (Fennessys have an online order system if you wish to avail of it)

We will be adding information to this post in the weeks ahead and will keep you updated by text. If there is anything I can help you with in the meantime please let me know. principal@hospitalns.net

Kind regards, Brendan Moloney (Principal)