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 **3rd November 2020**

**Parent Teacher Association Meeting**

There will be a short Parent Teacher Association Meeting on Wednesday 4th November at 8pm. A link to the zoom meeting will be e-mailed to you before the meeting. All parents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

**School Nurse**

The school nurse will visit the parish hall on Friday 6th November to conduct the annual health check-ups with junior infants. If there are other parents who have concerns about their child’s hearing or vision, please contact the school before Friday.

**Board of Management Agreed Report**

A Board of Management meeting took place on Monday 4th November. The agreed report is below:

·        The Child Safeguarding Statement was reviewed.

·        The Anti-bullying Policy was reviewed.

·        It was agreed that the Additional Activities Payment should be reduced to €50 for the 2020-21 school year.

**Hockey**

The senior classroom will be playing hockey in PE on Mondays. Please send in a gum shield and shin guards for them to wear. Gum shields are available to purchase at the moment in Centra, Enniskeane.

**Bottle Tops**

Our plastic bottle top collection has started.  Thank you to everyone who has brought them in and asked family members to collect them. There are buckets for each colour in the PE shed. We estimate that we will need a few thousand so it will take us weeks to get enough to make our mural.

**Additional Activities Payment**

The ‘Additional Activities Payment’ is usually due in October. This year, as a result of the Covid-19 restrictions, we will have less additional activities. The Board of Management has recommended that the payment be reduced to €50 per pupil. This payment covers personal pupil insurance, stationary, photocopying and art supplies. It also covers the cost of extra activities such as tennis lessons or music concerts from visiting musicians. These are examples of activities that could safely take place outside later in the school year. This payment is now due.