

7th September 2020 Dear Parent/s, Guardian/s,

We are delighted to announce that we will shortly roll out the *Aladdin Schools Connect* to parents/guardians of children in our school.

Our school uses the Aladdin Schools software service <u>www.aladdin.ie</u> for administrative purposes and *Aladdin Schools Connect* will give parents secure access to messages from the school and to details of your child's attendance, reports cards etc via secure login from your computer or Aladdin Connect App on your mobile phone or tablet.

You can rest reassured that Aladdin Schools uses state-of-the-art security to safeguard information entered by the school and data is stored and processed in strict compliance with Irish and European data protection laws.

Aladdin Connect is a great way to enhance communication with parents. It enables parents to stay connected and informed about their child's education by:

- Ensuring that the school has your most up to date contact information
- Keeping parents appraised of their child's attendance
- Keeping parents up to date on school and classroom news via noticeboard messages
- Allowing parents view their child's approved end of year report card
- Helping to reduce the amount of class/school notes being sent home
- Helping the school/ teachers communicate with parents when the need arises
- Reducing costs by eliminating the need to send school report cards by post
- Reducing costs by reducing the number of text messages that need to be sent

In the next few days, you will receive a text message containing your registration link. There will be one link per parent which will allow the parent to access information for all their children in the school from one user account. Please do not forward this text or share this link as this is a unique registration code for each parent for your child/children in this school. During registration you will choose a password that will be used in conjunction with your email address to securely access the Aladdin Connect going forward. Once you are registered you will be sent a text message with links to download the Aladdin Connect App for your mobile device or tablet.

In preparation for this please let the school know if phone number has changed recently.

Please note: If there are any personal concerns, or legal provisions in place regarding giving access to Connect to any parent/guardian of your child please contact the school in confidence to discuss or restrict access as required.

Please contact me if you have any queries regarding Aladdin Connect.

Yours sincerely,

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