

“Mol an Óige agus tiocfaidh sí.”

15th September 2017.

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

Beatha agus Sláinte. I hope that students have settled back to the school routine at this stage. In particular I hope that all our new students have settled in. We wish them every success in Coláiste Rís in the coming years.

- I am pleased to enclose a copy of our **“School Calendar for 2017/18”**. I **would ask all parents/guardians to ensure that holidays are not taken during the school year.**
- There is **major traffic disruption** planned in the Chapel St. area over the next 4 to 6 weeks. Initially work in the lower section of Wrightson’s Lane will result in the closure of Chapel St. to through traffic at the start of October. When this is finished on October 6th the Council then plans to upgrade the surface of the street and it is envisaged that this will continue until around Halloween. The best suggestion we can make is to plan to meet your children at a point away from the works and the school.
- Thank you to all parents who have supported us in our drive to encourage the wearing of the **School Jacket**. The weather has already been quite cool in mid-September. Students have to go outside to move between our

buildings and a jacket is essential to keep students warm. The school jacket is an important part of our uniform and we ask for your full support in this regard. Please ensure that your son/daughter's jacket is labelled for quick return if misplaced. We have still a small number of washed jackets if you wish to get one.

- Can I finish by asking you to encourage your sons/daughters to give their **Homework/Study** their very best attention. This is central to what we are about in Coláiste Rís. It is imperative that our students make the most of their educational opportunity. The key to educational success lies in good homework and well organised study. Please encourage the completion of good homework; please foster an atmosphere conducive to study in your home. If the latter is not possible why not take advantage of organised after school study within the school. Study will be on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, from 4:00 to 7:00 and on Wednesday from 1:30 to 5:30. If interested please get your son/daughter to come along to the Study Hall and register at study. The cost of study up to Halloween is €45 payable in 1 or 2 instalments.

Is Mise,

Pádraig Hamill