

NEWSLETTER

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Retirement

Dear Parents

I have spent 37 very happy and fulfilled years here in Bawnogue. It is with a heavy heart that I announce my retirement, to take effect from 1st September 2019. I would like to thank you all for your kindness to me over the years. It was much appreciated.

I am not gone yet and I hope to continue to work and meet with people over the next few months.

Mr Burke is returning as principal in September and I wish him all the best and I'm sure that he will be as happy to be back with the school community as I have been for the last 37 years.

Best wishes

Tom Traynor
Acting Principal

Warning re "Momo Challenge"

A number of our children have been exposed to the "Momo Challenge". This is a pernicious piece of software and is a threat to the children who are exposed to it. I am reproducing below an article from the RTÉ news website.

Parents are being urged to supervise their children's online activity due a cyberbullying game called the "Momo challenge".

Gardaí say that the challenge is appearing on social media platforms and targets children and/or vulnerable people.

It is understood that "Momo" makes contact through social media, and allegedly asks the person to perform dangerous tasks, including self-harm.

The PSNI has also issued a warning against "Momo", and says there have been reports of the game appearing on YouTube.

Gardaí have appealed for children and vulnerable people's online activity to be supervised.

CyberSafeIreland has said that it has been contacted a number of times in the last few days about the challenge.

It said that it has not seen evidence of cases where the challenge has caused harm to children in Ireland.

However, it urged parents to keep a close eye on their children's online activities.

It said: "It is really important that parents are aware that while the internet brings great opportunities for fun, learning and socialisation, there are also risks that have to be managed, including access to harmful content or harmful contact.

"Parents should make informed decisions about their children's online use, keep a close eye on things, and have regular conversations about what what their children are seeing and doing online."

Updated Contact Details



Please make Peggy (secretary) aware of any change of telephone number/address by filling out the yellow form available from Peggy at reception. This can be done at any stage during the year. It is very important that the school has correct contact details. If you are delayed collecting your child contact 01 4571306.

For attendance only ring or text **087 1755308**

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