

17 January 2017

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I look forward to welcoming your daughter to the Loreto Fermoy Entrance Assessment on **Saturday**, **4**th **February**. The assessment will take place from **9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m**. in the school and your daughter needs to bring her pencil case with her. A snack will be provided for her at break time. If for any reason your daughter cannot attend on this date, please contact the school office at 025-32124 or email <u>office@loretofermoy.ie</u>

As was explained at the Open Night, the purpose of this assessment is simply to create mixed ability classes in 1st year and there is no need for any student or parent to be anxious about it.

This is the first opportunity for your daughter to meet her Loreto classmates and it is always an exciting time for her. Please be assured that, as is always the case at Loreto Fermoy, we will take excellent care of your daughter on the day.

Our Special Educational Needs Coordinator, Mrs. D'Arcy, will be in contact with all feeder primary schools in the coming weeks. At which point, planning will begin for the special educational needs of our incoming first years. As part of this process, she will also contact parents of students with additional needs.

Your daughter's Year Head next year will be Mrs. C. O'Sullivan who is very much looking forward to supporting your daughter over her 5 or 6 years in Loreto. Details of an information evening in May will be issued by text closer to the time. At this meeting, you will have the opportunity to meet Mrs. O'Sullivan, Mrs. D'Arcy, the school Guidance Counsellors and other members of our school's Care Team.

In starting to prepare for life at Loreto Fermoy, you might consider using our school website <u>www.loretofermoy.ie</u> or following us on Twitter @LoretoFermoy. This will give you the opportunity to chat with your daughter about the many curricular and extra-curricular opportunities of which she may wish to avail at our school.

With every good wish to you and your family for 2017,

Yours sincerely,

Marie Ring, Principal.