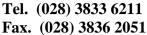
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Monday 9th January

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As part of our St Patrick's Day celebrations in school, we are having a 'Green Day' on Friday 13th March. On this day, our Eco Council will be promoting their 'Green message'; informing us of all the eco-friendly activities and initiatives which they have been involved in since the beginning of the school year. Given the serious environmental consequences of single-use plastics, our Eco Council will use 'Green Day' as an opportunity to educate our pupils and staff about the plastic pledge which our school has signed up to.

Our school promises to ban plastic straws, avoid using plastic wrap and plastic bags and use refillable water bottles instead of single-use water bottles. We would really appreciate your support in our efforts to keep our plastic pledge by thinking about wrapping and containers when packing break and lunch time snacks.

Pupils are asked to dress in green for our celebrations on Friday 13^{th} March and bring in £1 on this day. All money collected will be used to help Grace Collins with her fundraising efforts for Habitat for Humanity. Grace will be travelling to Cambodia this summer to build sustainable housing in an underprivileged community. We wish Grace all the best with this very important project and look forward to hearing all about it when she returns.

Thank you once again for your continued support.

Mrs McCaughey

(Eco Schools Coordinator)