Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope you have had a lovely relaxing summer and that your sons and daughters are ready for the next academic year. As they are heading into second year, there will be less anxiety for everyone at the beginning of the school year but 2nd year brings different challenges for parents and students alike. 2nd year is a very important year for the new Junior Cycle as in many subjects students undertake Classroom Based Assessment (CBA).

2nd years will return on Friday August 31st at 8.40 for a full day. They should go to their locker area (same as last year) and attend tutor meeting at 8.40. Students should go to same tutor meeting as last year and there they will receive details of their timetable.

Students should bring $\in 15$ for their PR books which they can buy at the office on the morning when they arrive. Every student must have their PR book that day.

Students need to bring all of their books to school. This includes the books they may have finished in 1st year as they will have to be given back to Mr. Geary for distribution to the incoming first years. Books can be placed in their lockers when students arrive. All lockers were checked and cleared out when the students finished in May. A number of lockers were missing locks which have to be replaced; these can be purchased in the office on the morning they return. (Cost €20) Only school locks can be used.

I would like to emphasize the importance of students wearing the correct uniform. Our year group was noted for excellence in uniform and it is important to maintain that into 2nd year.

Absenteeism has a big impact on student progress and so I would encourage you to try to make appointments if possible outside of school time. The school is obliged to inform the Department if a student misses more than 20 days without valid reason.

I look forward to meeting you all again this year. Please feel free to contact me or the tutor at any stage. My email is sheenawilkinson@blackwatercs.com or ring the office.

I look forward to the year ahead and assure you of my continued support

Regards,

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