Principal: Mrs Roisin Mc Carry



18<sup>th</sup> August 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

As you are now aware from the Chairperson's letter to parents, during the summer holidays, I was interviewed for and have subsequently been appointed as Principal of St. Patrick's and St. Brigid's PS, Ballycastle. Although delighted to have been appointed, as you can imagine, I have very mixed feelings to be leaving St. Patrick's PS. I know how fortunate I have been throughout my time here and I am so proud of the things that we have achieved together over the past six years. The warmth, support and commitment of our staff, parents, PTFA and governors has been truly fantastic.

I am delighted that Mr Dinsmore has been appointed as Acting Principal. I have every confidence that he will relish the opportunity and will apply his formidable skills, hard work, dedication and commitment to make the role his own. I know that he will enjoy the support of everyone on the staff, both teaching and non-teaching, as well as the parents, pupils and governors. I know that Mrs Lucy Higgins will continue to support Mr Dinsmore by sharing the planning and teaching of the Primary 7 class on Thursdays and Fridays.

I am also delighted that Miss Cliodhna McFadden will be teaching in Primary 6. She is a very familiar face to the children and I know that she is really looking forward to meeting the Primary 6 pupils on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September.

I am looking forward to returning to the school at some stage in the first week of term to say goodbye to the pupils in person. A teaching Principal's role is very unique and I can genuinely say that I have enjoyed every day that I have worked in Glenariff, not least because of the fun and interactions that I have had with the children throughout the school, who bring a smile to my face and lift me up in more ways than they will ever know!

I wish you all every blessing for the year ahead.

**Roisin McCarry**