

HOME/SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

The education of a child is a partnership process between parents and teacher. Effective communication between parents and teacher is vital for a successful partnership, and is essential to the well being and security of the child.

To facilitate good home-school communication the following procedures exist for meetings between parents and teacher.

- Formal parent-teacher meetings.
- Meetings by appointment: These meetings may take place at any time during the year, and are essential when parents or teacher feel that there are matters regarding a child's welfare or progress, which need to be discussed. Such meetings may take time and need privacy. To arrange such a meeting parents are asked to phone the secretary for an appointment. Teachers will arrange such a meeting by sending a note or by phoning parents.
- Informal meetings often take place after school, particularly with teachers of Infant Classes. These casual meetings are useful for exchanging quick points of information.

Other methods of communication:

- Text-a-parent
- Information notes in schoolbags as the need arises. (Given to the eldest in each family).
- Phone calls through Carmel/teachers
- Website, twitter feed
- Verbally through pupils
- Homework notebooks/copies
- School Reports (end of year)
- Letters home
- Parent information evenings

In the interest of creating a positive and secure learning environment for our children, it is necessary to constantly seek opportunities to improve home-school communication. Any positive suggestions which may come from Parents, Teachers, Board of Management members or the Inspectorate will be given due consideration.
