

## Coláiste Bríde

Templeshannon, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford.

10<sup>th</sup> November, 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian

I hope this email finds you well. I am writing to inform you of the procedure for the upcoming 6<sup>th</sup> Year parent teacher meeting which will take place in-person in the Coláiste Bríde Sports Hall on **Tuesday the 28<sup>th</sup> of November from 4:15pm – 6:45pm**.

As has been in the case in recent years, we are using an online app to allow parents/guardians to book appointments online and to allow us then allocate times to meet with your daughter's teachers.

### To register for meetings there are a number of steps which need to be followed.

#### STEP 1. VSware ID

You can find your daughter's VS Ware ID by completing the following steps on VSware.

The VSWARE ID of your child and is available once you have logged in to VSWARE under 'personal information'.

- Go to colaistebrideenniscorthy.app.vsware.ie
- Login with your VSware login and password
- On the "Parent Dashboard" click on the student's name
- On the 'Pick an Area to explore' screen, see the 'Personal Info' panel
- Choose the 'School' tab. VSware ID is available on this screen

### \*Your daughter will also receive her VSware ID

#### STEP 2. Login to PT Organiser

- Log on to the parent-teacher meeting organiser (PTMO) by clicking on the link below <u>https://ptmorg.com/parentlogin.php?School=63570W</u>
- You may be asked to enter our school Roll Number: 63570W
- Enter your daughter's Student ID number (VSware ID as per the instructions above).

#### **STEP 3. Enter Your Preferences**

- Once you have logged in, now you can select, in order of preference, the teachers you most wish to meet with, starting with 1 for your highest preference down to your lowest preference. For example, if English is your highest preference, please enter 1 beside English, if Maths is your 4<sup>th</sup> preference, please enter 4 beside Maths and so on.
- If you do not wish to see a teacher, please enter 0 in the box.

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- If your daughter has the same teacher for two subjects, please only enter a preference value for one subject and zero for the other as the system will only grant one meeting. This will help to ensure you have more space for allocation of other meetings.
- The system is designed to create as many appointments as possible within the scheduled parent teacher meeting time by allocating each parent their 1<sup>st</sup> preference followed by their 2<sup>nd</sup> preference etc.
- Unfortunately, it may not be possible for some teachers to meet every parent, this will occur if a teacher teaches more than one subject or more than one group in 6<sup>th</sup> Year and/or when meetings with a teacher are high in demand.
- You must select preference numbers if you wish to get appointment times. If you don't select any preferences, the platform will list you as not attending the meeting.

#### **STEP 4. Save Preferences**

- Click "I will attend the meeting. Please save my preferences" button by Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November.
- If you are not attending the meeting please click "I am unable to attend the meeting".

When the closing date is reached, your daughter will also receive a copy of your appointments schedule.

For meetings that are oversubscribed, if a parent would like to speak to their daughter's teacher then we will facilitate a further meeting on request. However, you are advised to prioritise the subjects where students feel they need advice in order to improve, or the subjects they are having the most difficulty with.

It is not compulsory, or you may decide that it is not necessary, to speak to our Career Guidance Counsellor or SEN Coordinator. They are available for appointments if you have any specific concerns or issues, but it will not be possible for them to meet with every parent.

Please note that this is a meeting for our Leaving Certificate subject teachers, SEN Coordinator, Guidance Counsellor and parents/guardians only, if you would like to speak to the Year Head, please arrange a separate meeting via the school office, <u>office@colaistebride.ie</u>.

Yours sincerely,

Kiera O'Sullivan