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Dear Parents / Guardians,

A sincere thanks to all our parents for your help and support during this year. We are waiting on planning permission for 4 new classrooms.

Our teachers are working on reading as part of the new language curriculum. We have started 'Buddy Reading' with 5^{th} and 1^{st} class. Our support teachers are working with class teachers with in class support for all pupils in reading. **Points to note / remember:**

- Pupils will be supervised in the school yard from <u>8.40a.m.</u> each morning.
- Give your son a good start to the day by ensuring that he is **on time for school**.
- Parents please remain behind the barrier for health and safety reasons.

Well done to our Squash players who are All Ireland champions. Our hurling, soccer and basketball teams have played well in recent matches. Thanks to all our coaches who do a great job. Congratulations to our communion and confirmation classes. They were excellent. Thanks to our choir boys who have helped these ceremonies.

Screen time is a huge problem for all families. It impacts on school life. Please do your best to limit and supervise the amount of time/ or set a specific time your boys spend on screens.

There are a number of places in our Preschool and Junior Infant classes.

Swimming lessons are nearly complete. Boys have made very good progress.

Thanks to Mrs Breen and the Green Schools Committee who secured a fourth green flag.

6th class graduation mass is on Wednesday 26th June at 7pm in the cathedral. Afterwards, refreshments for the boys will be provided by our wonderful Parents Association in the school.

Thanks to all families and boys for helping Br.Tom's project in India. We raised €1120 to help less fortunate children.

Our school will close on 28th June. The school will reopen on Monday 2nd September. Please keep up to date by linking in to our school website = <u>ststephensbns.com</u>

I wish all boys, teachers and parents an enjoyable summer holiday.

Thank you,

Mr Morris, Principal.