



26 August 2024

## Re: Cara Community Special School, Enfield, Co. Meath

Dear Parents/Guardians

I hope you are all keeping well.

Further to my communication dated 24 June 2024 I am delighted to write to you with some updates on the opening of Cara Community Special School.

- **Cara CSS website:** the Cara CSS website is now live on <https://caracss.ie/> . We look forward to developing the school website further over the coming weeks and months
- **School Uniform Crests:** these have been posted out to you all last week. If you haven't received any in the post please contact Fiona Clinton [fclinton@lmetb.ie](mailto:fclinton@lmetb.ie)
- **Recruitment:** I am delighted to advise that our SNA team has been appointed. We are currently advertising for Bus Escorts. Further information is available on <https://careers.lmetb.ie/Job/JobDetail?JobId=2674> if you know anyone who may be interested in applying please let them know
- **School Building:** I am delighted to advise that the contractors are putting the final touches to the rooms in our School Building. This week will be very busy onsite as we are taking deliveries of supplies and resources for the school
- **NCSE Training for Staff:** The National Council for Special Education (NCSE) has confirmed that national training for all staff of Cara CSS along with the staff of the other three Community Special Schools opening across the country has been scheduled for Monday 2 September – Wednesday 4 September Inclusive
- **Induction for Cara CSS students:** The Principal and the Deputy Principal are finalising the plans for meeting with parents and students onsite on the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> September 2024 and they will be in contact with you directly regarding same as we open the doors to Cara CSS
- **School Transport:** As you will be aware Bus Eireann are responsible for the provision of school transport on behalf of the Department of Education. We await further updates from Bus Eireann

I would really like to thank everyone for their continued support over the last few months. For the parents/guardians your attendance at pre planning meetings has been greatly appreciated. The Principal, Deputy Principal, teaching and SNA staff are working really hard to give your son/daughter the best start possible in Cara CSS. My thanks also to our colleagues in the Department of Education and NCSE for their ongoing support.

A special word of thanks to Fiona Clinton, Schools Directorate Administration Section, for her ongoing work and support for Cara CSS since the announcement of the new school in December 2023.

We are really excited about the opening of Cara Community Special School and we look forward to meeting your son/daughter in the coming weeks.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Fiona Kindlon", written over a horizontal line.

Fiona Kindlon, Director of Schools, LMETB/Single Manager Cara CSS, Enfield