"Every School Day Counts"

Dear Teacher,

In conjunction with a service re-brand, Tusla Educational Welfare Services (EWS) will be launching and supporting an annual national attendance awareness campaign 'Every School Day Counts', this November.

The **'Every School Day Counts'** campaign aims to highlight the importance of school attendance with regard to achieving positive educational outcomes for children and young people.

Attendance, Retention and Participation are the cornerstones of Tusla EWS. As every Principal and Teacher knows, attendance is the core to success in school, and we are delighted that your school has taken the opportunity to engage, by committing to an **Attendance Awareness Campaign,** of your choosing, during the month of November. We hope that this campaign will complement existing school endeavours to promote and support school attendance throughout the academic year.

Knowing the busy places that schools are, we have attached:

(a) Ideas (Please feel free to come up with your own)
(b) Templates of messages for distribution to your Students and Parents.

Your Principal has received a letter which contains a link to register your school's participation in this attendance campaign. Once your school has registered, a **Digital Award Badge** will be issued for your **school website**

I would like to thank you for your work in promoting School Attendance by maintaining records of your pupils attendance and making your classroom a welcoming place where students are encouraged and supported to achieve their best. I wish you all the best for the coming year.

Kind Regards,

Noel Kelly
Director Educational Welfare Services

"Tá Gach Lá Scoile Tábhachtach"

A Mhúinteoir, a chara,

I gcomhar le hathbhrandáil a rinneadh ar sheirbhís, seolfaidh agus tacóidh Seirbhísí Leasa Oideachais Tusla (SLO) leis an bhfeachtas feasachta náisiúnta freastail bliantúil, 'Tá Gach Lá Scoile Tábhachtach', i mí na Samhna i mbliana.

Is é an cuspóir atá ag an bhfeachtas **'Tá Gach Lá Scoile Tábhachtach'** ná chun béim a leagan ar an tábhacht a bhaineann le freastal scoile maidir le torthaí dearfacha oideachais a bhaint amach do leanaí agus daoine óga.

Is iad **Freastal, Coinneáil agus Rannpháirtíocht** bunchlocha SLO Tusla. Faoi mar is eol do gach Phríomhoide agus Múinteoir, baineann ríthábhacht le freastal maidir leis an rath a bhaint amach ar scoil, agus tá gliondar croí orainn gur ghlac do scoil an deis chun páirt a ghlacadh, trí thabhairt faoi do rogha **Feachtas Feasachta Freastail,** i rith mhí na Samhna. Tá súil againn go gcuirfidh an feachtas seo leis na hiarrachtaí atá á ndéanamh ag an scoil faoi láthair chun freastal scoile a chur chun cinn agus tacú leis i rith na bliana acadúla.

Tuigimid gurb áiteanna gnóthacha iad scoileanna, agus tá an méid seo a leanas ar ceangal againn dá bharr:

(c) Smaointe (Ná bíodh drogall ort do smaointe féin a chumadh)
(d) Teimpléid de theachtaireachtaí atá le scaipeadh ar do Dhaltaí agus Tuismitheoirí.

Fuair do Phríomhoide litir ina bhfuil nasc chun rannpháirtíocht do scoile a chlárú san fheachtas freastail seo. A luaithe a chláraigh do scoil, eiseofar **Suaitheantas Dámhachtana Digití** do **láithreán gréasáin do scoile**.

Ba mhaith liom buíochas a ghabháil leat don obair a rinne tú chun Freastal Scoile a chur chun cinn trí chuntais a choimeád d'fhreastal do dhaltaí agus áit fháilteach a dhéanamh de do sheomra ranga ina spreagtar agus ina dtacaítear le daltaí chun a lánchumas a bhaint amach. Guím gach rath ort sa bhliain amach romhainn.

Is mise, le meas,

Noel Kelly
Stiúrthóir Sheirbhís Tacaíochta Oideachais Tusla