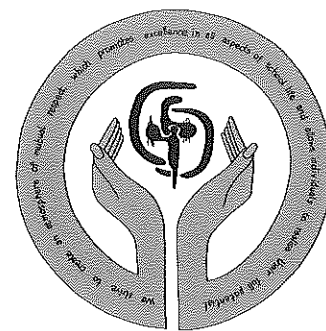


## Scoll Phobail Chúil Mhín, Cluain Sailleach, Áth Cliath 15

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

September 2022.

I hope you and your family had a relaxing summer and that the return to school has gone smoothly. Our thanks to all parents who worked tirelessly on the book rental scheme over the summer. It was a mammoth task and a significant contribution to the day-to-day running of the school. It could not have been achieved without the commitment of a team of parents.

No doubt you have heard of the shortage of teachers in Ireland currently. This combined with the accommodation difficulties in Dublin, means that many teachers are opting to take up jobs outside of Dublin.

In spite of this, we are delighted to welcome new teachers to Coolmine and look forward to an exciting year ahead. However, we do have vacancies in the area of Woodwork / Metalwork. (These positions were filled, but successful candidates subsequently accepted teaching positions nearer their homes due to the accommodation costs in Dublin). The Senior Management team together with the Board of Management have been working tirelessly to solve this problem. As yet the problem remains unsolved.

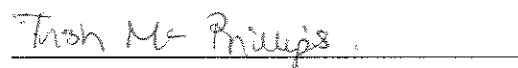
We are looking for your assistance in this matter:

- Could you please contact any teachers you know who teach Woodwork or Metalwork and inform them of the jobs currently advertised on [www.educationposts.ie](http://www.educationposts.ie) and advise them to contact the school.
- Could you please contact reception if you are aware of any reasonably priced accommodation near to Dublin 15?

Parents and Staff working together has always been a strength in Coolmine. I am sure you realise that taking this unprecedented step reflects the seriousness of the situation. Unfortunately, we may have to redraft the timetable if we cannot fill these positions. In the short term, we would ask that you contact the school only if you can support a solution to the current difficulty. If your son / daughter does not have a teacher in one of these subject areas, please give us the time and space to work through all the possibilities. We will update you as appropriate.

Your patience, understanding and support are appreciated.

Yours sincerely,



Trish McPhillips. Principal.

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