May 29th 2020 Dear Parent/Guardian.

Our school is delighted to announce that we will shortly roll out the Aladdin Schools Connect to parents/guardians of children in our classes. We will be using it to send the report cards in June this year.

Aladdin Connect will give you secure access to messages from the school and to details of your child's attendance, test results, reports cards etc. via secure login from your internet browser or Aladdin Connect App.

Aladdin Connect is a fantastic way to enhance a school's communication with parents. It:

Allows parents to view their child's approved report card.

Ensures that the school has their most up to date contact information

Allows schools to gather **permission(s)** from parents

Allows parents to quickly and efficiently select times for parent teacher meetings

Keeps parents informed about their child's attendance

Keeps parents up to date on school and classroom news via Noticeboard messages

Allows parents to view what items their child had for **homework** today (From September)

Reduces the amount of class/school notes and letters being sent home

Helps the school/ teachers **communicate** with parents when the need arises

You can rest reassured that Aladdin Schools uses state-of-the-art security to safeguard information entered by the school and data is stored and processed in strict compliance with Irish and European data protection laws.

Next week you will receive a text/email message containing your registration link. There will be one link per parent which will allow the parent to access information for their own children in the school. Please do not forward that text/email or share the link as this will be a unique registration code for each parent for your child/children in this school. During registration, you will choose a password that will be used in conjunction with your email address to securely access the Aladdin Connect app. Once you are registered you will be sent an email with links to download the Aladdin Connect App for your phone or mobile device. The main advantage of using the App is to receive immediate alerts for App messages sent by our school. Downloading the App is highly recommended to enhance parent and school communication, especially when we are not physically in school. In preparation for this please let the school know if your email address or phone number has changed recently.

Please note: If there are any personal concerns, or legal provisions in place regarding giving access to Connect to either parent/guardian of your child please contact the school in confidence to discuss or restrict access as required. Phone (085)8120807 or email principal @stgabrielsprimary.ie

We hope that you enjoy using Aladdin Connect. Your class teacher, the secretary or myself will welcome any feedback or questions you may have.

Yours sincerely,

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