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To: All Parents

Dear Parents

RE: LAUNCH OF SUTTON PARK STUDENT SUPPORT

At the last Annual General Meeting of the Parents' Association I remember addressing the audience on the matter of establishing priorities at Sutton Park over the coming years. At the time many projects had been mooted and all were and are worthy of consideration. How long ago that address seems now. Collecting money for covering the pool or re-developing the Sports Hall looks out of kilter with the times.

We now operate in a changed economic climate. Sutton Park School is founded on a vision that is committed to developing and nurturing the whole person in a caring and innovative environment. If we are to be true to this vision we need to be bold enough to put our words into actions.

In response to a real need in our community we are establishing a Sutton Park Student Support fund in order to provide some assistance to families in the Secondary School [particularly in critical examination classes] who suddenly suffer a reversal of fortunes. The PTA have generously and kindly collected a wonderful selection of prizes to be drawn during Sutton Park Fever on Friday. All proceeds will be given to the fund and just by purchasing a raffle ticket or by attending the event you will be supporting a very worthwhile cause.

You may of course simply wish to send us a donation. Sutton Park is a registered charity which means that any donation in excess of 250 Euro yields tax from the revenue authorities. The school as an approved body for charitable donations, also welcomes corporate donations, which can be claimed as a trading expense. Should you require further information please contact the Business Office.

At the end of term, the PTA will be providing you with the opportunity of winning another fabulous set of prizes which will take the form of a Grand Draw at the final assembly of the school year. The Primary and Intermediate Schools will have their assemblies as usual on Thursday 28th, but for the first time in many years, the Secondary School will also end the year with a whole school assembly. Here we will present the 3rd Year Academic prizes, award the citizen prizes, celebrate a wide variety of individual achievements. It will also give us the opportunity to formally announce the roles of the new prefects and school officials. If you can attend between 2:45 pm and 3:30 pm, we would love to see you.

In launching the Support Fund for Sutton Park Students I believe we are making a commitment to the values that underpin our school in a very special way. I welcome the support of the PTA. In a very real way we are "nurturing all that is best" in our community.

Yours sincerely

Michael Moretta
HEAD OF SCHOOL

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