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Chuig: Príomhoidí agus Boird Gobharnóirí gach Bunscoil dheontaschúnta; Boird Oideachais agus Leabharlann; agus Comhairle na Scoileanna Caitliceacha faoi Chothabháil

7 Feabhra 2012

A Chomhghleacaithe,

MÉID NA RANGANNA SA BHONNCHÉIM AGUS IN EOCHAIRCHÉIM 1 – SCOILBHLIAIN 2012/13

Is é is aidhm don litir seo a chur in iúl do phríomhoidí bunscoileanna deontaschúnta nach mór daoibh iarratais ar chúnamh airgeadais ar an cheanglas a bhaineann le Méideanna Ranganna a chur faoi bhráid bhur mBord ábhartha Oideachais agus Leabharlann (i gcás scoileanna rialaithe) agus Chomhairle na Scoileanna Caitliceacha faoi Chothabháil (i gcás scoileanna faoi chothabháil) **tráth nach déanaí ná 16 Márta 2012.**

Tá na socruithe cistithe a bhí i bhfeidhm le linn scoilbhliain 2011/12 i bhfeidhm go fóill. **Meabhraítear daoibh, le go measfar bhur scoileanna le haghaidh cistiú breise, NACH MÓR do scoil an bunchritéar a chomhlíonadh go bhfuil sí ag dréim le PTR le linn scoilbhliain 2012/13 atá os cionn an mheáin, 20.2, in TÉ**. Níltear ag dúil go gcruthóidh an choinníoll seo deacrachtaí do bhunús mór na scoileanna agus, mar sin de, ní bheidh gá le cúnamh airgeadais ach i roinnt bheag cásanna eisceachtúla. Is féidir foirmeacha iarratais a fháil ón Bhord

To: Principals and Boards of Governors of all grant-aided Primary Schools; Education and Library Boards; and the Council for Catholic Maintained Schools

7 February 2012

Dear Colleagues

CLASS SIZES IN FOUNDATION AND KEY STAGE 1 - 2012/13 SCHOOL YEAR

This letter is to advise principals of grant-aided primary schools that applications for financial assistance to meet the Class Sizes requirement must be submitted to your relevant Education and Library Board (in the case of controlled schools) and via the Council for Catholic Maintained Schools to your Education and Library Board (in the case of maintained schools) **not later than 16 March 2012**.

The funding arrangements which operated for the 2011/12 school year continue to apply. **You are reminded that in order to be considered for additional funding a school MUST first meet the basic criterion that it expects to have a PTR in the 2012/13 school year which is above the NI average of 20.2**. It is not expected that compliance will cause difficulties for the great majority of schools so financial assistance will be required only in a small number of exceptional cases. Application forms can

Oideachais agus Leabharlann chuí (sonraí teagmhála ag deireadh na litreach seo). Ní féidir ach eolas a iarrtar ar an fhoirm seo amháin a mheas maidir le cúnamh airgeadais.

Meabhraítear do phríomhoidí fosta go gcaithfidh siad a machnamh a dhéanamh ar na dóigheanna a dtig leo an polasaí a fhorfheidhmiú ar bhonn bliantúil laistigh dá n-acmhainní teagaisc mar atá faoi láthair nó mar a bheas feasta agus laistigh den bhuiséad LMS atá cistithe de réir foirmle. D'fhéadfadh sé fosta bheith riachtanach agus oiriúnach i roinnt cásanna, acmhainní teagaisc reatha a ath-imlonnú ó Eochairchéim 2 go Bonnchéim agus go hEochairchéim 1, is é sin, Rang 1-4.

Ba chóir do phríomhoidí a chinntiú go bhfuil siad ag baint úsáid sáréifeachtach as acmhainní reatha sula n-iarrann siad cistiú breise.

Ní mheasfar ach iarratais a gheobhfar ar nó roimh 16 Márta 2012.

Thíos tá sonraí teagmhála gach Bord Oideachais agus Leabharlann agus na Comhairle do Scoileanna Caitliceacha faoi Chothabháil:

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be obtained from the appropriate Education and Library Board (contact details at the end of this letter). Only information requested on the application form can be considered for financial assistance.

Principals are also reminded that they must consider how they can implement the policy on an annual basis within their existing or future teaching resources and the formula funded LMS budget. It may also be necessary and appropriate in some instances to redeploy existing teaching resources from Key Stage 2 to Foundation and Key Stage 1 years i.e. P1-P4.

Principals should ensure that they are making the best use of existing resources before seeking additional funding.

Only those applications received on or before 16 March 2012 will be considered for financial assistance.

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