Dear Parent/Guardian,  
   
Scoil Ghráinne CNS uses the Aladdin Connect School App to ensure that the communication between the school and all families is as efficient, timely and accurate as possible.   
   
The school uses the Aladdin Schools software service [www.aladdin.ie](http://www.aladdin.ie/) for administrative purposes and 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 enables parents to stay connected and informed about their child's education by:  
- Ensuring that the school has their most **up to date contact information  
-**Allowing schools to gather **permission(s)** from parents  
- Allowing parents to quickly and efficiently select preferred slots for **parent teacher meetings**  
- Keeping parents apprised of their child's**attendance**  
- Keeping parents up to date on **school and classroom news** via noticeboard messages  
- Keeping parents up to date on what **library book**their child is currently reading and if it is due/overdue to be returned  
- Allowing parents view their child's approved **report card**  
- Allowing parents to view their child's latest **standardised test results**  
   
Along with strengthening our home/school partnership, we also envisage Aladdin Connect helping the school by:  
- Helping to **improve attendance** by allowing parents to keep track of any school days their child may have currently missed, along with late arrival and early leaving information.  
- Helping to reduce the amount of **class/school notes being sent home**  
- Helping the school/ teachers**communicate** with parents when the need arises  
- **Reducing costs** by eliminating the need to send school report cards by post  
- **Reducing costs** by reducing the number of text messages that need to be sent  
   
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.  
   
In the next few days, you will **receive a text** containing your **registration link**. There will be one link per parent which will allow the parent to access information for all their children in the school from one user account. Please do not forward this text/email or share this link as this is 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 going forward. Once you are registered you will be sent a text message with a link to download the Aladdin Connect App for your mobile device. The main advantage of using the App is to receive immediate alerts for app messages sent by your school. Downloading the App is highly recommended to enhance both the parent and school's Connect experience.

A parents contact details (email and phone numbers) are only visible by default to themselves. If however you have any concerns regarding Scoil Ghráinne CNS sharing your child’s information within your particular family setup, please contact the school at [s.ghrainne@gmail.com](mailto:s.ghrainne@gmail.com) in confidence to discuss or restrict access as required.

**In preparation for this please let the school know if your phone number has changed recently.**  
   
We hope that you enjoy using Aladdin Connect. The school secretaries or I will welcome any feedback or questions you may have.  
   
Yours sincerely,

Ken Scully (Principal)