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## **Coaching Programmes, Games and Blitzes**

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Sports coaching in school, if and when available, is generally reserved for Key Stage 2 classes. Quite often facilitators will inform the school which classes are to be involved in their coaching programmes, as many programmes are funded and target specific age groups.

The Cumann na mBunscol Schools' Programme of Events includes many outdoor and indoor blitzes, organised throughout the school year.

In regard to any games or blitzes, we would like to clarify how children are chosen by the school to attend such.

Following guidelines from Cumann na mBunscol, the school offers first refusal to the pupils in P7, who over the last number of years have participated in the school coaching programmes and are interested in playing.

Following this, if additional places remain, these places are then offered to children in the lower classes, who attend club training in this or a similar code. This ensures that we are taking children who have been taught the fundamental skills of team sports and more importantly have learned the skills for defending and protecting themselves when tackled on the field.

While the school recognise some of the younger children may be disappointed if not chosen, please be assured your child will have the opportunity to attend these events in Primary 7.

Is mise le meas,

Mrs F Hughes  
Principal.