



Coiste Bunaithe Choláiste na Tulchann
f/ch. Coláiste Pobail Baile Lotrail
Porterstown Road
Dublin 15

18th May 2016

Dear Parents,

Coiste Bunaithe Choláiste na Tulchann is a committee of parents from the Dublin 15 area who, for the past two years, have been campaigning for the establishment of a second level Irish language school in the area. Last October the Department of Education and Skills acknowledged the merits of our campaign by agreeing to the opening of a Gaelcholáiste. Coláiste na Tulchann is the name chosen for the new college.

As part of this process, the Department of Education and Skills has now announced that it intends to open a second level college to serve the Carpenterstown/Castleknock area, with an Irish Language Unit attached. It is seeking a patron to run this college. Coiste Coláiste na Tulchann is supporting Dublin & Dun Laoghaire Education and Training Board (DDLETB) in its application to be the patron of the new school.

DDLETB is proposing that the Irish Language Unit (Coláiste na Tulchann) will be established on the campus of Luttrellstown Community College, where the Principal, Fionnuala Ní Chaisil, has a lifelong experience of and commitment to Irish-medium education. She has also been responsible for the successful establishment of two very successful new secondary schools to date.

DDLETB has long experience in the management of schools in our area. It is patron of Castleknock Community College, Luttrellstown Community College, Coláiste Pobail Setanta and Riversdale Community College. It also runs four very successful Gaelcholáistí in other areas of Dublin. The Dublin 15 area continues to grow and we are seeking a multi-denominational, co-educational college to meet the needs and aspirations of our community.

Coláiste na Tulchann will open in September 2017 in a separate complex on the campus of Luttrellstown Community College. When it has achieved a critical mass of students in subsequent years, it will be established as an independent college in a new custom built premises.

In determining the patron for the new college, the Department will have particular regard for the wishes of parents.

At present we are seeking expressions of interest from parents of children from first class up to fifth class who would be interested in having their children attend a second level Irish language school in the area.

If you are interested or would like to find out more about the proposed new school, please fill in the section below and return it to your school before Friday 27th May 2016. If you require further information you can contact the undersigned at fergusdublin@gmail.com

Fergus Ó Loinsigh,
Cathaoirleach

I am interested in the option of an Irish-medium second level education for my child.

Name of Child: _____

Address: _____

Telephone No. _____ Email: _____

School: _____ Class: _____

Signed: _____