**ST CRONANS JUNIOR SCHOOL, BRACKENSTOWN, SWORDS, CO. DUBLIN.**

Dear Parents,

The Department of Education and Skills has consulted with the Data Protection Commissioner in relation to the collection of individual pupil information for the Primary Online Database.  Both religion and ethnic and cultural background are considered sensitive personal data categories under Data Protection legislation. Therefore, it is necessary for each pupil’s parent/guardian to identify their child’s religion and ethnic background, and to consent for this information to be transferred to the Department of Education and Skills.  All other information held on POD was deemed by the Data Protection Commissioner as non-sensitive personal data.

**We would be most grateful if you could complete the form below and return to teacher at your earliest convenience. For further information please see overleaf.**

**To which ethnic or cultural background group does your child belong (please tick one)?**

**(Categories are taken from the Census of Population)**

**White Irish Irish Traveller Roma**

**Any other White Background Black African Any other Black Background**

**Chinese Any other Asian Other (inc. mixed background)**

**background**

No consent

**What is your child’s religion?**

**Roman Catholic Church of Ireland Presbyterian**

**(incl. Protestant)**

**Methodist, Wesleyan Jewish Muslim(Islamic)**

**Orthodox Apostolic or Pentecostal Hindu**

**(Greek, Coptic, Russian)**

**Buddhist Jehovah's Witness Lutheran**

**Atheist Baptist Agnostic**

**Other Religions No Religion No Consent**

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***I consent for this information to be stored on the Primary Online Database (POD) and transferred to the Department of Education and Skills and any other primary schools my child may transfer to during the course of their time in primary school.***

**Child’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Parent/Guardian**